



Marion L. Steele High School

College Information Night for Parents

September 30th - 6PM

School Counselors



Mrs. Loushin
Last Names A-K
Grades 9-11



Ms. Rigda
Last Names L-Z
Grades 9-11



Ms. Santos
Seniors
College & Career

Thomas Diller



Cleveland State University

Admissions Counselor for Lorain County and Southwest Ohio

What does it take to graduate high school?

Step 1: Cover the Basics

English	4 Units
Math	4 Units
Science	3 Units
Social Studies	3 Units
Health	.5 Units
Phys Ed.	.5 Units
Financial Literacy	.5 Units
Fine Arts	1 Units
Electives	5.5 Units
Total Credits =	22 Units

Step 2: Show you are ready

Complete **one** of the following

1. A cumulative passing score of **18 points** on 7 end of course exams. (Algebra I, Geometry, English I, English II, Biology, A.M History & A.M Government)
2. Industry credential & workforce readiness (JVS)
3. College & Career Readiness Test (ACT & SAT)-
Earn Remediation Free Score

Factors to Consider

What should students' focus on when researching college?

- Location & size
- Cost & Financial Aid
- Majors & educational programs
- Admissions requirements
- Campus environment & opportunities
- Support Services



College Comparison

Public

local & state funded, usually offer lower tuition rates

Private

Tuition & fees are the primary source of funding

2-year Colleges

Offer 2-year associates degree or certificate program, includes community colleges, vocational-technical, and career colleges

4-Year Colleges

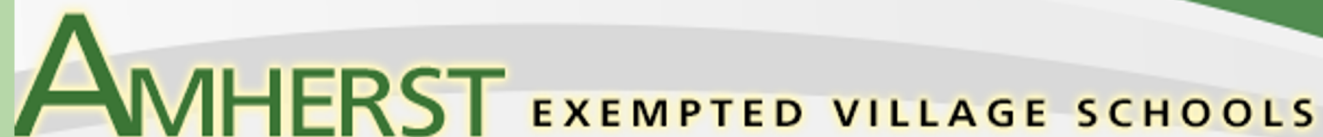
Offer 4-year degrees, bachelor's degree & beyond

College Visits

- Students & parents are highly encouraged to plan college visits
 - Visits can be scheduled through each college website
 - Students are allowed (3) certified absences to complete college visits
 - As an *excused absence* students must pick up and return a filled out *Planned Absence Form* from attendance



- College admissions representatives will be visiting Marion L. Steele High School on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 9:15am
 - Please encourage students to sign up through their Naviance accounts



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September 30, 2021

Scheduled College Visits

College	Representative	Location	Date
Baldwin Wallace University	Ricki Janis	CLC	9/30/21 9:15 AM
Bowling Green State University-Main Campus	Kaylani Othman	CLC	10/5/21 9:15 AM
University of Mount Union	Taylor Williams	CLC	10/7/21 9:15 AM
Oberlin College	Joshua Levy	CLC	10/12/21 9:15 AM
Youngstown State University	Migdalia McClendon	CLC	10/14/21 9:15 AM
Ohio Dominican University	Rebekah Morlock	CLC	10/19/21 9:15 AM
Tiffin University	Ruby Santiago	CLC	10/21/21 9:15 AM
Matrix Trade Institute	Greg Kozarik	CLC	10/26/21 9:15 AM
Miami University, Oxford	Mitch Arnett	CLC	10/28/21 9:15 AM
Walsh University	Joanna Jacobo-Escobar	CLC	11/2/21 9:15 AM
Kent State University at Kent	Brian Crescenzo	CLC	11/4/21 9:15 AM
Cleveland State University	Thomas Diller	CLC	11/9/21 9:15 AM
Ashland University	James Metzger	CLC	11/16/21 9:15 AM

Graduation Time by Program or Degree and Type of School

PROGRAM OR DEGREE	SCHOOLS WHERE OFFERED	TYPICAL TIME TO GRADUATE
Career, technical, trade, or vocational courses	Career, technical, vocational, and trade schools Community and junior colleges	1–2 years
Associate Degree	Community and junior colleges	2 years
Bachelor's Degree	Four-year colleges and universities	4 years
Master's Degree	Four-year colleges and universities	Bachelor's degree + 1–2 years of additional study
Doctorate Degree	Four-year colleges and universities	Bachelor's degree + Master's degree + 2–3 years of additional study

Visit [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) for more tips!

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Determining College Choices

It is recommended that students aim to apply to 3-5 Colleges

Categories of Schools

Likely Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Very likely you'll get into• Your GPA > Average student's GPA at this college• Perks: You can get academic merit scholarships!
Level Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Your GPA and/or test scores "match" with the college's• Pro Tip: Spend time finding one that's a good fit for you• Perks: Can get academic merit scholarships!
Reach Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Your GPA and/or test scores fall in the lower 25% of their typical incoming class'• Pro Tip: Take the stress off— apply to reach schools with an open, whatever-happens-happens mindset!

Components of a College Applications

- Completed Application
- Official High School & LCCC Transcripts
- SAT/ACT Scores
- Essays
- Letters of Recommendations
- Interviews (Selective Schools)
- Application Fee

THE COMMON
APPLICATION

common app



Not Used

Recommendations:

School Report Required

Counselor Recommendation Required

Final Report Required

Teacher Evaluation(s): 0 Required, 2 Optional

Other Evaluation(s): 0 Required, 2 Optional

Saves school forms after matriculation:

Yes

COLLEGE APPLICATION DEADLINES

EARLY ACTION

- apply early, find out early
- can apply elsewhere
- not binding: can still choose another school
- indicates strong interest

EARLY DECISION

- apply early, find out early
- apply ED to only one school
- binding: obligated to go if admitted & withdraw other applications
- indicates strong interest
- no chance to compare financial aid offers

REGULAR DECISION

- apply by deadline & find out in spring
- deadlines vary
- commit by May 1

ROLLING ADMISSION

- application open until college meets capacity
- apply when you wish, though there may be priority deadlines
- find out in a few weeks

Naviance

What is Naviance?

“The Naviance Readiness Solution is a comprehensive toolset that helps you assess and develop essential competencies students need to be successful after high school.”

What do we use Naviance for at Marion L. Steele High School?

College Search

Transcript Request

Letter of

Recommendation Request

Scholarship Search

Resumes

Career

Assessments

College Visits

Data

Naviance Log-In

Username: School Email



SAT & ACT Registration

Registration deadlines are around a month in advance - plan accordingly!



Registration - [ACT.Org](https://act.org)

Test Dates

December 11th
February 12th
April 2nd
June 11th
July 16th









Registration - [SAT.org/Register](https://sat.org/register)

Test Dates

November 6th
December 4th
March 12th
May 7th
June 4th

Comparing the ACT® with the SAT®

ACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Math Reading Science Optional Writing Test Composite score: 1–36 Section scores for English, Math, Reading and Science: 1–36 each Writing Test: 2–12 	 SECTIONS	SAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evidence-based Reading and Writing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading Writing and Language Math Optional Essay Total score: 400–1600 Section scores for Math and Evidence-based Reading and Writing: 200–800 Essay: 2–8
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 hours, 55 minutes (without Writing Test) 3 hours, 35 minutes (with Writing Test) 	 LENGTH		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 hours (without essay) 3 hours, 50 minutes (with essay)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	 PENALTY FOR WRONG ANSWERS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two sections (English, Reading) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Passage-based grammar—including punctuation Four reading passages in 35 minutes that are drawn from Fiction, Social Sciences, Humanities and Natural Sciences 	 READING AND WRITING		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two sections (Reading Test, Writing and Language Test) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No more sentence completions; focus on multiple-meaning words Five reading passages in 65 minutes that are drawn from significant historical or scientific documents—may include informational graphics, such as charts Passage-based grammar—including punctuation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One 60-minute section Calculator allowed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arithmetic Algebra I & II Geometry Trigonometry 	 MATH		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two sections totaling 80 minutes Calculators are only allowed on one of the two sections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arithmetic Algebra I & II Geometry Trigonometry
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Writing Test is optional (40 minutes, timed) Students will need to write about perspectives on an issue relevant to high school students and evaluate and analyze multiple perspectives on that issue; they will be scored on ideas and analysis, development and support, organization, and language use 	 ESSAY		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The essay is optional (50 minutes, timed) Students will be provided with a substantial passage (600–700 words) and asked to analyze how the author built his or her argument; students will need to understand the techniques the author used to write persuasively

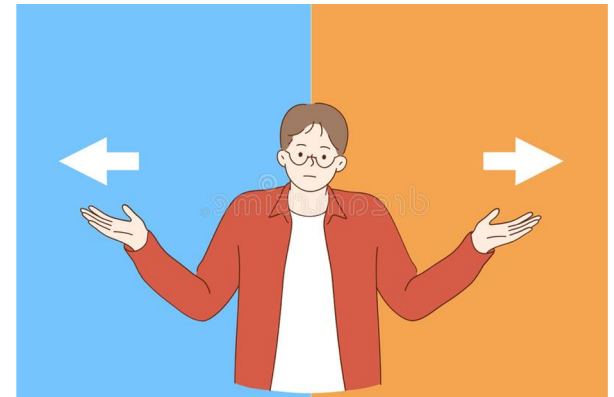
Still not sure which test is for you? We can help! Call us at **1-800-2Review (800-273-8439)** or visit **PrincetonReview.com**.

Test Optional - College Admissions

Test optional offers students the choice to apply with or without their standardized test scores

Considerations:

1. Merit based scholarship
2. Specialized program entry requirements
3. The weight of supplemental application materials



Financial Aid



FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

- **Opens Oct. 1st** of Senior Year
- Will provide financial aid based on need

FAFSA offers three types of financial aid:

1. **Grants:** Financial aid that generally doesn't have to be repaid.
2. **Loans:** Borrowed money for college or career school; your loans must be repaid with interest.
3. **Work-Study:** A federal work program through which undergraduates and graduate students at participating schools earn money to help pay for school.

Visit [FAFSA.Gov](https://fafsa.gov) for more information



Make the process easier

CHECKLIST

- Your Social Security number
- Your parent's Social Security number
- Your driver's license number if you have one
- Your Alien Registration number if you are not a U.S. citizen
- Federal tax information or tax returns
- Records of your untaxed income
- Information on cash and savings FSA 10 if eligible to have one

Concerned you can't locate everything you need? Talk to your counselor or reach out to help in your area or click the 'Get Help' button below.

APPLY

GET HELP



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SCHOOL

FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

Join Ms. Santos & Student Financial Aid
experts in reviewing the FAFSA
Application Process!

OCTOBER 7, 2021 AT 6 PM
MLS - ACTIVE LEARNING CENTER

Scholarships



Merit Based Scholarships

- Colleges will offer merit based scholarships which are based on academic achievements, typically based on GPA and or ACT/SAT scores
- Most colleges and universities will have opportunities listed on their website, and may require additional materials for awards

Honors Colleges

- Students can explore criterias to their schools honors college which often comes with a renewable 4-year scholarship pending criteria satisfaction

Local & Community Scholarships

- Students will be made aware of our local & community scholarships here in Amherst in December of their senior year

Naviance Scholarships Database

Parental Support

As a parent, how can you support your student transitioning from high school to college?

- 1) College Visits
- 2) ACT & SAT Registration
- 3) Organization
- 4) Deadline Awareness
- 5) FAFSA Application
- 6) Financial Breakdown
- 7) Post-acceptance Steps

College Admissions Representative Q & A

Thomas Diller - Cleveland State University



College Planning Resources

[Common App Support](#)

[College Board - Applying to College 101](#)

[The Admissions Essay](#)

[Sending ACT Score](#)

[Sending SAT Score](#)

[After the Acceptance Letter](#)

[College Admission Terminology](#)

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