



College Counseling Newsletter - August 2021

Senior Parent Night

Wednesday September 1st

7:00 PM Leadership Center

Dear Parents of a Senior,

All parents of a senior are encouraged to attend this program. The college counselors, Mr. Gerry O'Brien and Mr. Mike Rodewald, will explain Marian's procedures for the college application process. Unlike Sophomore Parent Night, attendance at Senior Parent Night is not mandatory for parents. Seniors DO NOT have to attend this program - they will receive this information in a presentation by the college counselors during their English class in the first week of school. We are making arrangements for the presentation to be recorded for parents that are not able to attend Senior Parent Night.

Counselor Assignments for the Class of 2021

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Common App Workshops

The Common Application (www.commonapp.org) is used by more than 900 colleges and universities. This year, all 12 public universities in Illinois will be using the Common App. In addition, all Big 10 and Ivy League universities use the Common App. Here are some of the other colleges and universities that use the Common App - DePaul, Hampton, Howard, Illinois Wesleyan, Lewis, Loyola, Morehouse, Saint Xavier, Spellman, St. Mary's (IN), Tuskegee, U of Chicago, and U of Notre Dame.

The college counselors are holding workshops to assist seniors with the Common App on Tuesday 8/17, Wednesday 8/18, and Thursday 8/19. The counselors will be available from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the College Room. Seniors do not need to register ahead of time. Enter through Door #2 (Chapel/Counseling entrance). Students must wear a mask.

Test Optional

According to Fair Test (www.fairtest.org), more than 1,600 colleges and universities will not require test scores to be considered for admission. It is important to check with individual schools as some may be test optional, but are requiring test scores for certain majors and/or scholarships.

Information about ACT (www.act.org) / SAT (www.collegeboard.org)

To register for either test, go to the websites listed above.

Marian is a test center for the ACT on September 11 - late registration ends this FRIDAY, August 20.

There are two more ACT test dates in first semester - October 23 and December 11.

SAT test dates in first semester are October 2, November 6, and December 4.

Self-Reporting Grades / Test Scores

Several universities do not require a student to submit a transcript and / or test scores. Students will self-report their grades and test scores. If a student decides to attend the university, they will need to submit official test scores later in March and a final transcript next summer after they have graduated.

Mark your calendar: On Wednesday September 29th, there will be a Financial Aid for College presentation at Marian. More details to follow in upcoming newsletters.

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