



CRUSADER College Connection

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ACT Focus



Tip of the Week: ACT English Tips and Techniques 6-10

6. **Say it in your head:** How does it sound? If it sounds incorrect, it is incorrect.
7. **No change:** This is the right answer if it is already concise and nothing is missing.
8. **T:** Needs to be complete on both sides to have a period or a semicolon, otherwise it is a comma.
9. **Pacing is key:** If you have to re-read it or it is long, it is a “L” question and move on.
10. **Speed:** read quickly, but accurately.

SCHOLARSHIP Update

Before each year of college you will need to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Your college of choice uses the FAFSA data to determine your eligibility for federal aid. The application opens October 1, 2022 for students enrolling in college in the Fall of 2023. Senior Parents- this is for you!

It is strongly recommended to create an FSA ID, a username and password combination, that allows you to sign your FAFSA® form electronically PRIOR to filling out the FAFSA on October 1. While you can get your FSA ID as you're completing the FAFSA form online, getting it ahead of time and using it to fill out the FAFSA form on fafsa.gov cuts down on errors and delays. Both the student and a parent will need to create an FSA ID in order to sign the document electronically.

[Click here to create your FSA Id](#)

Keep looking out for those scholarships! www.stdominichs.org/academics/college/a-program

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

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| October 8 | AES Scholarship |
| October 15 | PCI Women in STEM Scholarship |
| October 18 | Heisman High Scholarship |
| October 30 | Keep Going Forward |

2022-23
Scholarship Information

Report Earned Scholarships [HERE.](#)

THIS WEEK'S COLLEGE REPS

College Reps are available at 11:10 during Empower Hour located in the Eisenbath Atrium.

Wednesday 10/5



Bradley University
Piora, IL

<https://www.bradley.edu/>

- Rolling Admissions
- Application/Scholarship: 12/01
- Scholarship Information:

<https://www.bradley.edu/admissions/freshman/cost/>

Thursday 10/6



University of
Mississippi
Oxford, MS

<https://admissions.olemiss.edu/apply/freshman/#details>

- Rolling Admission
- Scholarship Priority: 1/5

<https://admissions.olemiss.edu/apply/freshman/#incomin>

Thursday 10/13



University of
Nebraska
Lincoln, NE

<https://admissions.unl.edu/>

- Rolling Admissions
- Scholarship Information: 2/1

<https://admissions.unl.edu/cost/>



LOOKING Ahead

Fall 2022

Oct. 1
FAFSA Opens

Oct. 12
SDHS Testing Day
Freshman/Sophomore
PreACT/PreSAT Testing

Oct. 22
National ACT test
being held at
St. Dominic

FAFSA Opens
Oct. 1
Create your FSA id.

HELPFUL Links

COLLEGE GUIDANCE
www.stdominichs.org/college

SCOIR
www.scoir.com

SCHOLARSHIPS
www.fastweb.com | myscholly.com

FAFSA
www.studentaid.ed.gov/fafsa

COMMON APP
www.commonapp.org

NCAA ELIGIBILITY
web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3

ACT
www.act.org

SAT
www.sat.org

Alumni Spotlight

Nicholas Bira '13

Oregon State | PhD Robotics '22



Nicholas Bira is a 2013 graduate of St. Dominic High School where he was very involved in clubs, sports and organization. Nicholas was in Gaming Club, Robotics, Cross Country, Track and Theater during his time at SDHS. As a student at St. Dominic, Nicholas was always looking for ways to be challenged and be a leader as he set his post-secondary goals for himself.

"My time at SDHS allowed me to explore my passions and make many friends. Starting a club, learning how to be independent, and having the support of my teachers to pursue challenging extracurriculars like the Missouri Scholars Academy were all formative in putting me on a track to complete my PhD."

Upon graduation from SDHS in 2013, Nicholas pursued a degree in Bio-Engineering while minoring in Computational Neuroscience at the University of Missouri. After earning his Bachelors in 2017 from Mizzou, Nicholas then earned his Masters in Robotics from Oregon State University in 2019, and his PhD in Robotics in September of 2022. With his recently earned PhD, Nicholas is looking forward to the many opportunities available to him.

"I was surprised by how widely engineering, robotics, and computer science are distributed in the modern economy. It exists in almost every discipline in some form or another, and I'm grateful I pursued a career in this space, as it gives me the freedom to be involved in any number of future work environments."

Weekly Wellness

Amy Bauer | Wellness Counselor

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Tips for Parents: Suicide Prevention

1. Keep Communication Open and Honest:
Your children should know they can talk with you about anything, be committed to broaching topics of concern and do so openly. Let them know they are not alone.
2. Understand that mental health disorders are treatable. Arm yourself with information about the most common mental health disorders for teens.
3. Be attentive to your teen's behavior. High School is a time for transition, recognize that severe, dramatic or abrupt changes in behavior can be strong indicators of serious mental health issues.

When in doubt, have your son/daughter evaluated by a professional.

Source: www.healthychildren.org

**NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION
LIFELINE: (800) 273-8255**

CRISIS TEXT LINE: Text "HOME" to 741741

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH RESPONSE
24/7 CRISIS SUPPORT HOTLINE: (314) 469-6644**

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