



April 2024

COLLEGE ENTRANCE TESTING INFORMATION

You want to have your desired ACT score no later than December of your Senior Year!

| <i>Test Date</i> | <i>Deadline to Register w/o Late Fee</i> | <i>Deadline to register w/late fee</i> | <i>Photo Upload Deadline</i> |
|---------------------------------|--|--|------------------------------|
| September 9th | August 4 th | August 18 th | September 1 st |
| October 28th | September 22 nd | October 6 th | October 20 th |
| December 9th | November 3 rd | November 17 th | December 1 st |
| February 10th | January 5 th | January 19 th | February 2 nd |
| April 13th | March 8 th | March 22 nd | April 5 th |
| June 8th | May 3 rd | May 17 th | May 31 st |
| July 13th | June 7 th | June 21 st | July 5 th |

**Register online at <https://my.act.org/account/signin?location=https://my.act.org> **

**ACT w/Writing cost \$93. You should not need to redo this as you took it your junior year. You need only register for ACT without Writing, which costs \$68. If you are on free or reduced lunch, you qualify for a fee waiver. ** Late registration fee is \$36.

ACT FEE WAIVERS are available for the ACT if you qualify for free/reduced lunches, receive public assistance or live in federally subsidized public housing, are a ward of the state or reside in a foster home, or are homeless, a member of Upward Bound, or your family income falls below the USDA levels for free/reduced lunches. You must be currently enrolled in 11th or 12th grade and be testing in the United States, US territories, or Puerto Rico. Limit of four fee waivers for ACT. See counselor for waiver. **Waivers must be used before you graduate!**

INFORMATION FOR ATHLETES

If you are considering participating in Division I or II athletics as a college freshman, you must register with and be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center. This requires that you take a certain number of core courses and maintain a certain grade point average depending on your ACT/SAT score. Go to www.eligibilitycenter.org for information and to register. When registering for the ACT or SAT, remember that "official" test scores must be sent from the testing agency to the NCAA using code 9999. Test scores that appear on a high school transcript **will not** be accepted.

If you are considering participating in athletics at an NAIA school, you must register with the NAIA Eligibility Center at www.playNAIA.org. To be certified by the NAIA, you must meet two of the following three requirements: maintain a 2.0 GPA, score at least an 18 on the ACT, and/or be ranked in the top half of your graduating class.

Please talk with Coach Tidwell and Mrs. Ball if you are considering any of this.

SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION

Federal law requires males who are 18 years of age to register with the Selective Service System. Register at www.sss.gov. You must register to be eligible for federal financial aid as well as for state-based aid at most colleges. **You must register within 30 days of your 18th birthday!**

Job Shadowing Opportunities

Mrs. Puckett, the St. Clair County Career Coach, will work with you on setting up job shadowing opportunities if you have a specific career in mind. Please let me know and we will get this set up.
christina.puckett@sccboe.org

Military Opportunities

If you are interested in any military branch, please see Mrs. Marbury. We can schedule ASVAB testing and recruiters with parent/guardian permission.

- Preview Day: Feb 19th
 - Register at www.huntingdon.edu/visit
- Scholarships cannot be stacked/combined
 - See chart hanging by the bulletin board for a list of scholarships and links
- **Jacksonville State University (JSU)**
 - Caely Williams is your rep – cawilliams@jsu.edu
 - Text or call 256-600-9431
 - FAFSA code: 001020
 - Test optional. You can submit ACT scores until May 1st for scholarship purposes.
 - Spring Preview Day is April 6th.
 - Housing application information
 - First year undergraduate students are required to live on campus inside the residence halls, however, we do allow students to request exemptions. Students from Calhoun, Cherokee, Cleburne, Etowah, St. Clair, or Talladega County who do not wish to live on campus can submit an exemption form online starting October 10th.
 - \$200 non-refundable application fee to apply for housing.
 - Priority deadline is April 1st
 - Scholarship offers will begin in October
 - Apply at <https://www.jsu.edu/finaid/scholarships/competitive-foundation.html>
 - JAXApp scholarship application closes February 1st. It is one application that registers you for over 300 scholarships.
 - Leadership Scholarship is a separate application due February 1st.
 - Honors Scholarship is a separate application due February 1st.
 - International House Scholarship application is March 1st.
 - FAFSA
 - Priority deadline is April 1st. If completed by then you get \$500 toward your 1st semester at JSU!
 - Gamecock Orientation
 - Opens February 1st. This is required for all students attending JSU.
 - Register at <https://www.jsu.edu/go/index.html>
- **Jefferson State Community College**
 - Available scholarships include the Presidential Scholarship, Academic Excellence Scholarship, Dual Enrollment Scholarship, Ambassadors Scholarship, Students w/Disabilities Scholarship, Children of Blind Parents Scholarship, Counselor's Scholarship, Intramural Sports, Isaiah Core Scholarship, Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship, Scholar's Bowl Scholarship, Jeff State Singers Scholarship, Sigma Chi Eta Scholarship, Sigma Kappa Delta (English Honors Society) Scholarship, Speech/Debate Scholarship, SGA Scholarship, and ENACTUS Scholarship. View at <https://www.jeffersonstate.edu/highschoolscholarships/>
 - Presidential Scholarship Deadline is April 1st
 - Must have a 3.0 GPA by the end of December
 - ACT score of 22 or higher
 - Academic Excellence Scholarship Deadline is June 1st
 - Must have a ACT score of 22 or higher
 - Dual Enrollment Achievement Scholarship Deadline is June 1st
 - Must have completed 6 credits hours with Jeff State
- **Talladega College**
 - Dega Days (Admission Open House) are Feb 9, Feb 23, Mar 9, April 6, & April 19th
 - Register at <https://futuredegan.talladega.edu/eventregister.asp?eid=25267>
- **Troy University**
 - Kaylee McBroom is your rep– kmcbroom@troy.edu

- **University of Montevallo**

- Test Optional for students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- If you have a GPA of 2.5, you must have a ACT composite of 20
- If your ACT score is an 18 or 19 you may be considered for admissions based on GPA
- Scholarship deadline is March 1st
 - Apply at Montevallo.awardspring.com
- Spring Preview Day March 16th 8:30-12:30
 - Register at www.montevallo.edu/previewday
- Admitted students night is February 16th @ 6:00 p.m.
 - Register at www.montevallo.edu/collegenight

- **University of North Alabama**

- Scholarship deadline is March 1st
- Housing application opens December 1st
 - Priority application deadline is March 1st
 - Cancellation deadline is May 1st
- ACT code is 0014

- **University of South Alabama**

- Scholarship deadline is February 15th
 - Apply at southalabama.edu/scholarships
- Campus housing priority application is April 1st

- **University of West Alabama (UWA)**

- James Bank Jr is your rep – jbanks@uwa.edu
- Scholarship application deadline is April 15th.
- Admission application deadline is April 15th.

Important Dates to Know (ALL DATES ARE TENTATIVE!!!)

- April 6th – Prom
- April 18th – Progress Reports
- April 19th – No School
- May 8th – AP Literature Exam 8:00 a.m. (required)
- May 9th – Awards Day 9:00 a.m.
- May 16th – AP Biology Exam 12:00 p.m. (required)
- May 19th – Baccalaureate Hardin's Chapel 2:00 p.m.
- May 20th – Graduation 7:00 p.m.

Reminders

1. Check the counseling webpage often for updates. <https://www.sccboe.org/Page/2178>
2. Check Microsoft Teams Senior Class of 2024 for updates. Documents that are distributed during school will be uploaded there and on the counseling webpage.
3. Check your emails daily as colleges and scholarships will send communications through electronic form. Use a personal email not your school email!!! ALWAYS CHECK YOUR SPAM/JUNK folder in emails.
4. LISTEN to morning and afternoon announcements for information & opportunities!
5. Check the counselor bulletin board for info & scholarship of the week announcements!

Free Scholarship Search Engines

- JLV College Counseling - <https://jlvcollegecounseling.com/>
- Scholarship 360 - <https://scholarships360.org/>
- Get Schooled - <https://getschooled.com/journey/get-to-college/scholarships-for-college/>

11. National Cement Scholarship for Trade/Technical Degrees
 - a. Deadline: April 5th
 - b. Application available in Mrs. Merritt's Room/TEAMS/Website
 12. St. Clair County Republican Scholarship
 - a. Deadline: April 6th
 - b. Application available on TEAMS/Website/Scholarship Packet
 13. John C Slovensky Education Scholarship
 - a. Deadline: April 15th
 - b. Must be pursuing a degree in education
 - c. Complete paper application and return to Mrs. Marbury
 14. St. Clair County FFA Alumni Association Scholarship
 - a. Deadline: April 19th
 - b. See TEAMS/Website/Printed Packet in Mrs. Merritt's room
 15. James D. Truss Masonic Lodge Scholarship
 - a. Deadline: April 22nd
 - b. Scholarship packets passed out last month
 16. Alabama Law Foundation Scholarship
 - a. Deadline: June 13th
 - b. For students who have had a parent killed or permanently/totally disabled on-the-job
 - c. Apply at alabamalawfoundation.org
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Miscellaneous

1. **University of AL Minority Rural Health Scholars Program**
 - a. Application deadline is March 15th.
 - b. The purpose of the program is to expose rural students to the field of medicine. You can earn up to 4 college credit hours. Program runs from May 26th-June 28th
 - c. Apply at cchs.ua.edu/rmhs
2. **Senior Class Fees**
 - a. Deadline: November 3, 2023. (Late fee of \$10 if not paid by this deadline)
 - b. Senior Fees- \$150.00 includes cap, gown, diploma, diploma cover, senior awards & recognitions, commencement ceremonies, class luncheon, and class t-shirt.
 - c. Yearbooks are not included in senior fees. Yearbooks are available for purchase. The cost is \$60 plus tax.
 - d. The Class Fees payment does not include invitations, rings, jackets, or extra-curricular activities such as homecoming and/or prom.
 - e. Each club may charge for cords and stoles.
 - f. Students should pay their senior dues in the form of a cash, check, or money order payable to Ragland High School. *Please include your student's name on the check/money order. (No checks will be accepted after March 30th)*
3. **Outstanding Debts**
 - a. If you incurred a debt(s) during the past school year(s) or this year, you will receive a debt letter. Students with outstanding fees at the end of the school year (class dues, textbooks, athletic equipment, etc.) will be **PROHIBITED** from participating in senior activities. Senior activities include baccalaureate & graduation. All debts must be cleared to participate in baccalaureate and graduation practices and ceremonies. After March 30th, only cash or money order will be accepted.
4. **Class Ring Order Deadline is March 1st**



StudentScholarships.org
4410 Massachusetts Ave NW #250
Washington, DC, 20016

Attn: School Counselor | Scholarship Coordinator

Below you will find a list of 15 Scholarship Programs available to your students. More than 300 Individual Scholarships will be distributed through these 15 Programs. Students from your school are eligible for all awards below.

*Newsletter is available for PDF Download here:
<https://studentscholarships.org/newsletters>

APRIL SCHOLARSHIP NEWSLETTER

DEADLINES BETWEEN: April 30th & July 31st, 2024

1) Air Force Association Scholarships - \$10,000 – 12 Awards (Deadline: April 30, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a dependent of an Active-Duty Guard, Reserve, veteran, or retired member of any service branch.
- B) Be planning to enroll in a program of study at an accredited college or university in the Fall of 2024.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/16831/air-force-association-scholarships>

2) Nurse Corps Scholarship Program - \$10,000 - 225 Awards (Deadline: May 2, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be accepted or enrolled at an accredited school of nursing located in the United States.
- B) Plan on pursuing one of the following types of nursing programs: Diploma in Nursing, Associate Degree in Nursing, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Nurse practitioner, or a Graduate level advanced registered nurse.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/15267/nurse-corps-scholarship-program>

3) SEE Education Foundation Scholarships - \$5,000 - 15 Awards (Deadline: May 6, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be pursuing a technical, undergraduate, graduate, or doctorate in a field related to the commercial explosives industry.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/20884/see-education-foundation-scholarships>



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4) #ScienceSaves Video Scholarship - \$10,000 - 10 Awards (Deadline: May 6, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a graduating high school senior planning to be a full-time student in the Fall of 2024.
- B) Create a video answering the question "What has science done for me?" or "What has science done for somebody I know?".

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/20795/sciencesaves-video-scholarship>

7) There's Space for Everyone Scholarship - \$3,000 – 8 Awards (Deadline: May 31, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be an incoming undergraduate enrolled in an accredited college or university during the fall 2024 semester.
- B) Be a legal resident of the United States.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/18585/there-s-space-for-everyone-scholarship>

6) Curt Greene Memorial Scholarship - \$2,500 - 1 Award (Deadline: June 1, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be at least a high school senior and have GPA of 2.5 or higher.
- B) Have keen interest in any facet of harness racing.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/12653/curt-greene-memorial-scholarship>

7) American Indian Medical Scholarship Program - \$3,000 - 12 Awards (Deadline: June 1, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be in the last semester of high school or be a high school graduate.
- B) Be enrolled in a health care or health education program.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/24483/american-indian-medical-scholarship-program>



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8) Ted & Holly Rollins Scholarship - \$5,000 – 1 Award (Deadline: June 1, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a graduating high school senior planning to be a full-time student in the Fall of 2024.
- B) Write a compelling story regarding your life story, intended field of study, career and how you will make an impact on the world

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/28302/ted-holly-rollins-scholarship>

9) How I Make My Community Great Scholarship - \$2,500 - 1 Award (Deadline: June 15, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be enrolled in or admitted to an accredited college or university.
- B) Have at least a 3.0 GPA.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/23405/how-i-make-my-community-great-scholarship>

10) Doctors Network Heroes Scholarship - \$2,000 - 12 Awards (Deadline: June 15, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a senior high school student planning on attending college right after high school or a student currently in an accredited four-year, two-year, nursing, dental, or medical school in the United States.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/24620/doctors-network-heroes-scholarship>

11) William Griggs Memorial Scholarship - \$2,500 - 1 Award (Deadline: June 20, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a female high school senior or undergraduate student pursuing a two or four-year degree program.
- B) Be planning on pursuing a degree in science or mathematics.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/23785/william-griggs-memorial-scholarship-for-science-and-math>



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12) ABC Humane Wildlife Scholarship - \$1,000 - 1 Award (Deadline: July 1, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

A) Be a woman who is studying or planning to study science, engineering, mathematics, or technology.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/13725/abc-humane-wildlife-scholarship>

13) Robert S. Simmons Christian Studies Scholarship - \$1,000 - 2 Awards (Deadline: July 1, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

A) Be enrolled in or accepted to attend a Christian college or university for undergraduate studies in the fall of the scholarship year.

B) Be a participant in volunteer or community work.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/15071/robert-s-simmons-christian-studies-scholarship>

14) Avnet Law National Scholarship - \$1,000 - 1 Award (Deadline: July 15, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

A) Be accepted to or currently enrolled in an accredited college, university, or graduate program within the United States.

B) Be a United States citizen or permanent resident.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/24070/avnet-law-national-scholarship>

15) State Troopers Scholarship Programs - \$1,500 - 6 Awards (Deadline: July 31, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

A) Be a dependent of a member of the American Association of State Troopers.

B) Be planning to enroll in a program of study at an accredited college or university in the Fall of 2024.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9136/state-troopers-scholarship-programs>



James D Truss

Lodge #515 F. & A.M.

Ragland, AL 35131

Office of the Counselor

Mrs. Marbury

Ragland High School

Ragland, AL 35131

March 15,2024

Mrs. Marbury

Our lodge has decided to award a scholarship of \$300 to each senior of Ragland High School who meets the following criteria.

The criteria must be met are:

1. This money must be used for higher education, is nonrenewable, and for the first year only, and may only be applied to tuition, books, fees and on campus room and board.
2. The student must have a connection to James D Truss lodge #515 (Child, Grandchild, or great grandchild)
3. The student must have attained at least a grade point average of 2.5 and be of outstanding character.
4. Deadline is April 22,2024

Students who have met these criteria will be submitted to the Lodge for approval and will be notified .The scholarship will be mailed to the institution of choice on behalf of the student.

Feel free to contact me at 205-613-3026 for more information.

Sincerely,

Joe Chandler

Scholarship Committee



James D Truss
Lodge #515 F. & A.M.
Ragland, Alabama
Scholarship Application

Applicant Information:

Name _____

Home Address _____

Telephone Number _____

e-mail address _____

Date of Birth _____

James D Truss Connection:

Name _____

Relationship to Master Mason _____

Grade point average _____

College you are planning to attend _____

When do you plan on starting your college education? _____

List any school and volunteer community activities in which you have participated in during the past four years.
List any honors, awards, or offices you have held.

Please write a short paragraph on why you should be selected for this scholarship and your plans.

PLEASE RETURN THIS NO LATER THAN April 22, 2024 to your counselor.

Counselor's Scholarship Fact Sheet

Counselor's Scholarship – Academic:

- Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher to apply.
- Must have applied for Fall 2024 Admissions to Jefferson State Community College.
- Complete a 2024-2025 FASFA for Jefferson State Community College.

Counselor's Scholarship – Career Technical:

- Students must enroll/remain enrolled in a non-health science AAS CTE program at Jefferson State.
- Must have been involved in CTE in high school.
- Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher to apply.
- Must have applied for Fall 2024 Admissions to Jefferson State Community College.
- Complete a 2024-2025 FASFA for Jefferson State Community College.

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Due to Mrs. Marbury April 25th

A complete nomination packet must include the following:

1. JSCC Counselor's Scholarship Nomination Form
2. Letter of recommendation from the counselor on school letterhead that includes the student's contact information (name, address, and phone number)
3. Copy of the student's official transcript with the cumulative GPA

***Incomplete nomination packets will not be accepted.**



Jefferson State Community College
2024-2025 Counselor's
Scholarship Nomination Form
Academic

Deadline for Submission: July 31st, 2024

High School Name: _____ *Only one nomination from each school

Counselor's Phone Number: _____ Counselor's Email: _____

Counselor's Signature: _____

Student Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle: _____

Last four of SSN: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Email: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone Number: _____

U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident Yes: _____ No: _____

Have you applied for admission to Jefferson State? Yes: _____ No: _____ If yes, please provide A Number: _____

I grant permission to release information from my educational and financial records to scholarship donors. If awarded a scholarship, I grant permission to Jefferson State Community College to issue press releases.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- Have a cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher following the end of the first semester of their senior year.
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*If mailed, this form must be postmarked by the July 31st, 2024 deadline.

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Counselor's Signature: _____

Student Information

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Last four of SSN: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Email: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone Number: _____

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