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College Connection

APRIL 2025

• WWW.STDOMINICH.S.ORG/COLLEGE

GUIDANCE *Spotlight*

10 STEPS TO CHOOSING THE RIGHT COLLEGE

1. Develop your short list.
2. Rank your priorities.
3. Don't procrastinate.
4. Revisit schools.
5. Look past the initial price tag.
6. Compare financial aid awards.
7. Delve into departments.
8. Investigate job connections.
9. Communicate with family.
10. Move on from rejection

[Read the full article from US News and World Reports](#)

Sophomores and Juniors! Registration is now open for **Summer ACT Bootcamp** - in preparation for the **June 14th National ACT!**

[Summer ACT Bootcamp Registration](#)

SCHOLARSHIP *Update*

There are many free scholarships available to apply for. Check out our live [Scholarship List 2024-2025](#). The document is organized by monthly deadlines, which can be found at the bottom of the page.

Also, check out these popular search engines to locate more scholarships specific to your student:

[My Scholarship Central](#) | [Scholarships.com](#)

[2024-2025 Scholarship Information](#)

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

- Apr 1** [Water Ski Foundation Scholarships](#) | [Be Bold Scholarship](#) | [Redefining Victory Scholarship](#)
- Apr 4** [New Melle Chamber Scholarship](#) | [St. Johns Bank Excellence Scholarship](#)
[AIEF Undergraduate Scholarships](#)
- Apr 6** [IAABO/IAFO College Scholarship](#)
- Apr 11** [Cuivre River Electric Cooperative Scholarship](#)
- Apr 14** [Nick Lindblad Memorial Scholarship](#)
- Apr 15** [O'Fallon Firefighters Community Outreach Scholarship](#) |
[Army Scholarship Foundation Scholarships](#) | [Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes](#)
- Apr 20** [National Center for Learning Disabilities Scholarship](#) | [Joseph J. Frank Scholarship](#)
- Apr 23** [Student -View Scholarship](#)
- Apr 30** [Lincoln County Bar Association Scholarship](#) | [Lift Parts Express Scholarship](#) |
[E-Waste Scholarship](#) | [Veterans United Foundation Scholarship](#)

THIS MONTH'S COLLEGE REPS

Eisenbath Atrium
11:10- 12:00 PM

April 9



Maryville University

April 10



Barnes Jewish Goldfarb
School of Nursing

WWW.STDOMINICH.S.ORG/COLLEGE/A-PROGRAM Report Earned Scholarships [HERE](#).



LOOKING Ahead

SPRING 2025

April 7

Junior College Meeting:
PAC 1st Half | Empower Hour
Where to begin and Look at My Grades

April 24

Sophomore College
Visit Day 1

May 5

30+ Club Breakfast

May 19

Reading Day

April 8

SDHS Testing Day
Pre-ACT/ACT

April 30

Build My Future

May 15

Honors Night

May 20-22

Final Exams

April 14

Junior College Meeting:
PAC 1st Half | Empower Hour
Show me the Money and Time to Apply

May 1

Sophomore College
Visit Day 2

May 5-23

AP Exams

May 21

Graduation

HELPFUL Links

COLLEGE GUIDANCE

www.stdominic.org/college

SCOIR

www.scoir.com

SCHOLARSHIPS

www.fastweb.com | myscholly.com

FAFSA

www.studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa

COMMON APP

www.commonapp.org

NCAA ELIGIBILITY

web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3

ACT

www.act.org

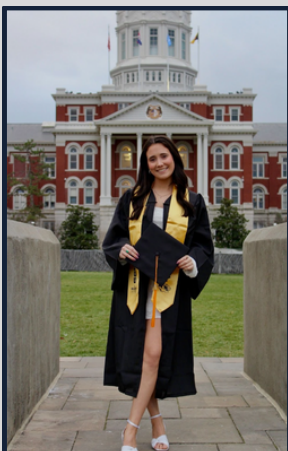
SAT

www.satsuite.collegeboard.org

Alumni Spotlight

Kate Ryan '21

University of Missouri-Columbia (Mizzou) | Bachelor of Science in Nursing



Kate Ryan is a 2021 graduate from St. Dominic High School who was involved in soccer, swim and journalism. She developed a passion for the medical field during that time after taking Anatomy & Physiology her junior year.

"Anatomy with Mr. Schlenke really sparked my interest in healthcare. Taking that class as a junior was when I started thinking about doing PT or nursing in college. I loved learning science and anatomy and being able to learn the little things that made the big picture. I have always enjoyed being a caregiver and the more I learned, the more just fueled my passion for healthcare."

After high school, Kate went on to study nursing at the University of Missouri-Columbia (Mizzou) where she would earn her Bachelor of Science in Nursing this past December. Beyond her college clubs that included Best Buddies International, Student Nurses Association, and Operation Smile, Kate graduated with experience and internships that would help prepare her for her current position as a registered nurse at Mercy Hospital- St. Louis.

"I did an internship my Junior and Senior year of college through SSM-Lake Saint Louis on their stepdown unit. It has by far been the most helpful for my nursing career. I would be paired with a nurse each time I went in for a 12 hour shift. I would take more and more responsibility each shift and getting that hands-on experience before I graduated prepared me for the real world of nursing."

With many students at St. Dominic High School interested in pursuing a career in nursing or other areas in the medical field, Kate would offer the following advice ***"Nursing takes an immense amount of patience, empathy, and confidence. It is an exhausting job physically and mentally but incredibly rewarding and fulfilling at the same time."***

Monthly Wellness

Amy Bauer | Wellness Counselor
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Things you don't need to apologize for:

- Saying no
- Following your dream
- Taking time for yourself
- Your priorities
- Ending a toxic relationship
- Your imperfections
- Needing help
- Standing your ground
- Telling the Truth

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PRE-COLLEGE *Summer Programs*

MISSOURI

- [Kenrick Glennon](#)
- [Cycle](#)
- [Truman State University](#)
- [Maryville](#)
- [Ranken](#)
- [BEST Healthcare Institute](#)
- [Washington University in St. Louis](#)
- [Missouri S&T Future Students Summer Camps](#)
- [Mizzou Mini Medical School](#)
- [Mizzou School of Journalism](#)
- [Mizzou Summer Music Camps](#)
- [Mizzou Summer Pre College Camps](#)
- [Missouri State College](#)
- [UMSL 2025 Summer](#)
- [iD Tech Camps held at Washington University](#)
- [Webster University Summer Camps](#)
- [Foundry Art Centre Summer Camps](#)

OUT OF STATE

- [Joyce Ivy Foundation](#)
- [Boston University Pre-College Summer Program](#)
- [Brown University Pre College Programs](#)
- [Kansas State PreCollege Summer Camps](#)
- [Benedictine PreCollege Summer Camps](#)
- [Summer Scholars Program- Miami \(OH\) University](#)
- [NYU Summer Programs](#)
- [George Washington University Summer Programs](#)
- [Naval Academy Summer Programs](#)
- [University of Dayton Engineering Summer Camps](#)
- [FABS Summer Program Information](#) - Female Aspiring Business Scholars
- [Lehigh University Pre College Business Camp](#)
- [University of Wisconsin - Badger Pre College Program Information](#)
- [Hillsdale College High School Summer Study and Travel Programs](#)



SAINT DOMINIC HIGH SCHOOL

ACT BOOTCAMP

The ACT Bootcamp is designed to prepare our St. Dominic Class of 2026 and 2025 for the June 8 ACT

DATES: JUNE 9, 10, 11, 12

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND THURSDAY

ACT ON JUNE 14

TIME: 3:30-6:45 PM

COST: \$250

LOCATION: ST. DOMINIC HIGH SCHOOL

MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 48

ALL SUBJECTS TAUGHT BY ACT CERTIFIED ST. DOMINIC STAFF MEMBERS

SUBJECTS COVERED: READING, MATH, ENGLISH, AND SCIENCE

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MAY 9, 2025

REGISTRATION/PAYMENT: ST. DOMINIC REGFOX:

[HTTPS://STDOMINICHIGHSCHOOL.REGFOX.COM/SUMMER25-ACTBOOTCAMP](https://stdominichighschool.regfox.com/summer25-actbootcamp)

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[JUNE 14 ACT NATIONAL TEST REGISTRATION @ ACT.ORG](https://act.org)

NATIONAL ACT REGULAR REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MAY 9, 2025

