Amanda-Clearcreek High School

SENIOR SHOUT OUT

September 26, 2025

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Student Request for School Counseling Services

- Sept. 27 (7-10 P.M.) *A Hollywood Homecoming* Dance
- Oct. 3: Quarter 1 ends/ NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 6-10: Fall/Fair Break, NO SCHOOL
- October 15 (10-12 P.M.@ Hocking College): Southeast Ohio College Fair
- Oct. 17: NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 29 (10-1:00P.M.@ Hocking College): Career Showcase
- Dec. 10 (5-6:30 P.M. @ ACHS): CCP Info Night

Senior Year Checklist:

FALL

- [ ] **Create college application deadline spreadsheet**

  Get organized! Write down each college in a row, and then make the columns: application deadlines, **essay prompts**, standardized test requirements, and letters of recommendation requirements. This way, you can make sure you prepare everything you need for each college.

- [ ] **Ask for letters of recommendation**

  Most schools require 1-2 teacher **letters of recommendations**; some allow more. We recommend that you provide any recommenders with more information about yourself (with a "**brag sheet**"), to help the teachers/ coaches write better letters.

- [ ] **Take standardized tests**

  Take (or retake) the SAT/ACT and AP tests. Or consider **test-optional colleges**.

- [ ] **Submit early decision / early action applications**

  Most early application deadlines are in November. "Early decision" means you agree to attend that school if you are admitted. "Early action" is just an early application (so you're free to decline your admission later on). **Here's more information** on applying early.

- [ ] **Research & apply for state financial aid or specialty grants**

  Many states offer financial aid, particularly for students staying in-state for college. Application processes and deadlines vary by state, so look yours up! (On average, students get about $1500 in state aid.)

- [ ] **Check for college-specific supplemental financial aid or scholarship applications**

  Some colleges require additional financial aid applications, beyond the FAFSA®. For many private universities, this includes **the CSS Profile**. Other colleges have their own financial aid forms, or have separate applications for certain merit scholarships (these might require separate essays, etc).

- [ ] **Search for community foundations with scholarships programs**

  Most parts of the U.S. are served by 1 or several regional "community foundations" that run scholarship programs for students residing in their coverage area. These scholarships tend to change every year because they are dependent on donations raised, so they often don't show up in scholarship search engine websites. So it's best to simply Google for "{your city name} + community foundation with scholarships". You can also usually find them by going to Going Merry's search and toggling the local scholarships filter **(direct link here)**.

More IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUCKEYE BRIDGE: A NEW PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN OHIO STATE AND COLUMBUS STATE, GUARANTEES ELIGIBLE COLUMBUS STATE GRADUATES ADMISSION TO OHIO STATE'S COLUMBUS CAMPUS TUITION AND MANDATORY-FEE FREE FOR UP TO EIGHT SEMESTERS. TO BE ELIGIBLE, STUDENTS MUST:

CHECK IT OUT

COLUMBUS STATE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Buckeye Bridge

Can't find it? Try the Telephone Information Center at (614) 287-5353.

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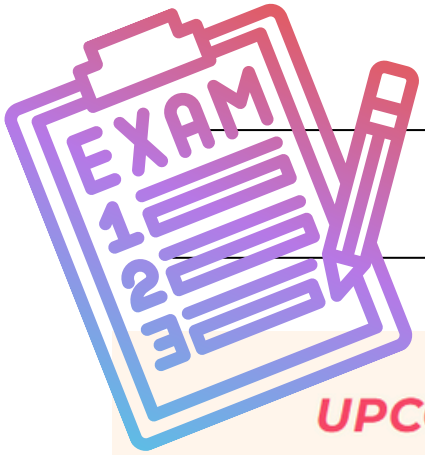


ACT

UPCOMING TEST DATES & DEADLINES

Over 97% of scores are available within a 2-4 week period after the test date.

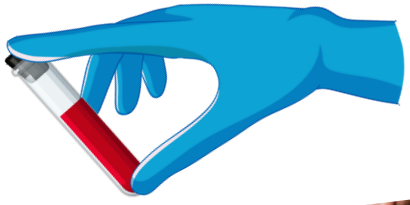
Test Dates	Score Release Dates	Early Reg Deadlines	Late Reg Deadlines*
Sep 6, 2025	Sep 23, 2025	Aug 1, 2025	Aug 19, 2025
Oct 18, 2025	Oct 28, 2025	Sep 12, 2025	Sep 30, 2025
Dec 13, 2025	Dec 30, 2025	Nov 7, 2025	Nov 24, 2025
Feb 14, 2026	Mar 3, 2026	Jan 9, 2026	Jan 23, 2026
Apr 11, 2026	Apr 21, 2026	Mar 6, 2026	Mar 24, 2026
Jun 13, 2026	Jun 23, 2026	May 8, 2026	May 29, 2026
Jul 11, 2026	Jul 21, 2026	Jun 5, 2026	Jun 24, 2026

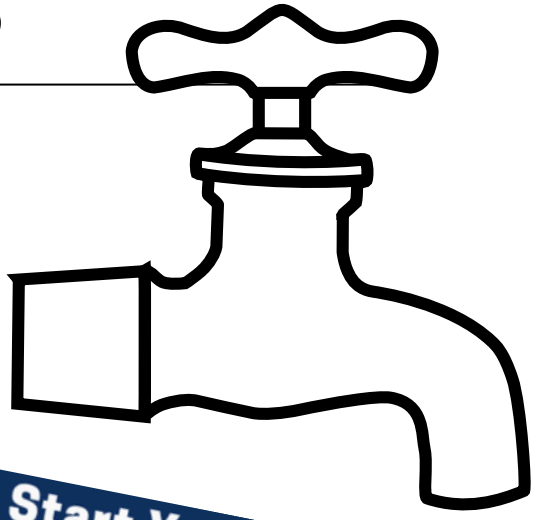
.ate fee applies.

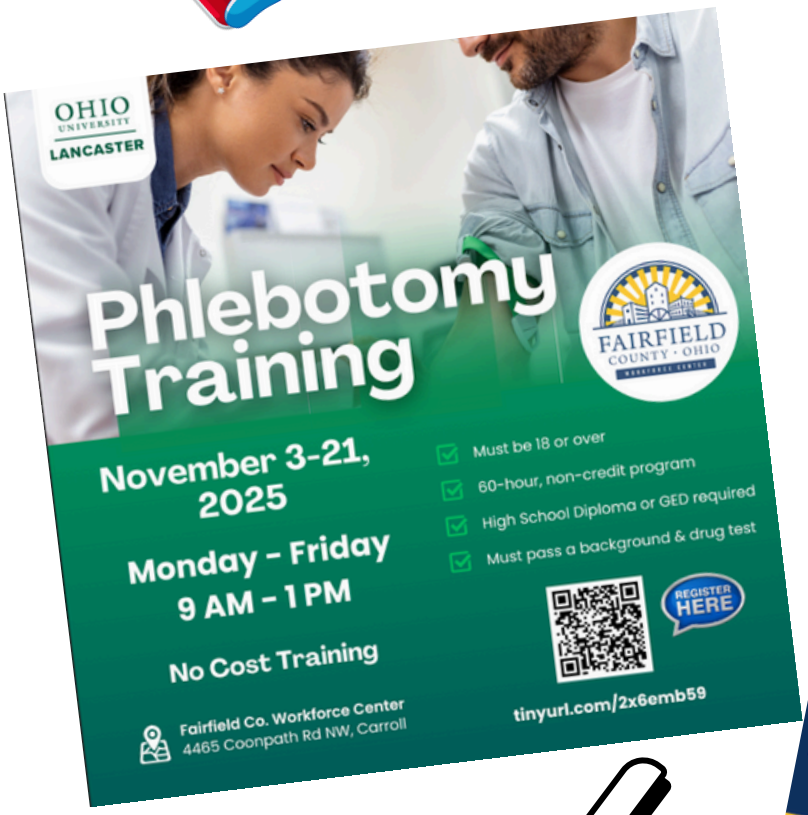
ACT Fee Waiver Eligibility, *see Mrs. Singleton if you qualify

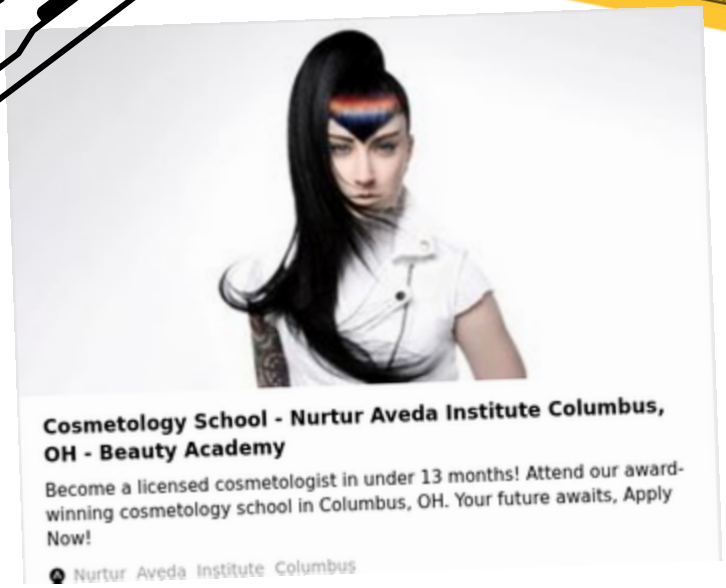
Register for the ACT

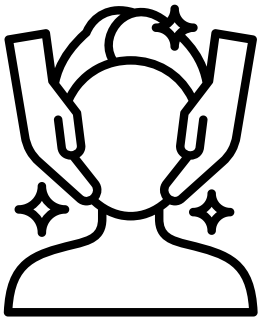
CAREERS & TRADES

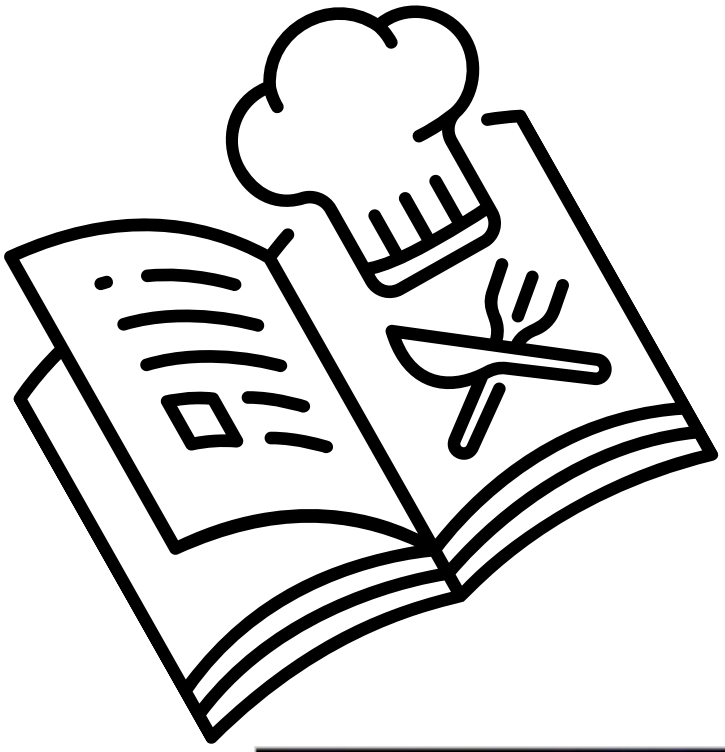


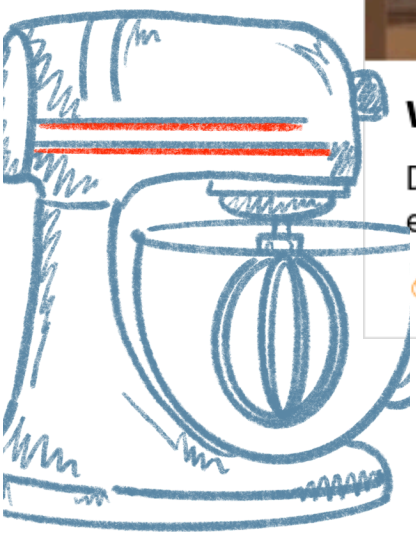












Why Study at CIA?

Discover why CIA is the premier culinary college—hands-on learning, expert faculty, internships, and industry connections.

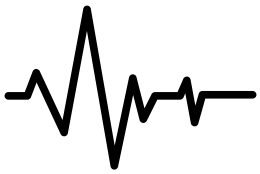
Culinary Institute of America

College Info, Planning, Preview Days & Visits

Save Your Seat in Medical School!

Are you interested in pursuing a medical degree? Check out this amazing opportunity to secure your seat in medical school before you even begin college!

The Early Assurance Program (EAP) at OU-HCOM offers high school seniors the chance to earn a guaranteed seat in medical school before they even begin college. This pathway is designed for students who demonstrate strong academic ability, leadership, and a clear passion for serving others through medicine.



Students accepted into the EAP will:
Receive conditional admission to OU-HCOM upon completing their undergraduate degree at one of our partner institutions.
Benefit from early mentorship and support throughout their undergraduate years.
Join a community of future physicians focused on primary care and serving underserved populations.

Students can be accepted into the EAP program if they are planning to attend any of the following institutions:
Baldwin Wallace University
Cleveland State University (apply to the program as a sophomore at CSU)
John Carroll University
Ohio Dominican University
Ohio University
Otterbein University
Shawnee State University

This is a highly competitive and rewarding opportunity for students who are ready to commit to the path of becoming a physician. To be eligible to apply, seniors must have earned at least a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale. They can learn more and apply here by December 12, 2025.

If you have any questions or would like additional materials, contact Bre Koch, the Associate Director of Admissions & Outreach at Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine (OU-HCOM).

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College Info, Planning, Preview Days & Visits

Preview Days:

Oct. 10: Zane State College

Oct. 11: Shawnee State Showcase Day

University of Louisville

Oct. 13: Visit Case Western Reserve University

Mount Vernon STEM Visit Day

Oct. 17: Ohio Dominican University

Oct. 18: Indiana Tech

Oct. 25: Mount Vernon Athletic Recruitment Day

OCTOBER University of Toldeo Campus Visits

Capital University Fall Visit Days (Oct. 25 & Nov. 20)

University of Dayton Admission Events

College Info, Planning, Preview Days & Visits cont.

Visit Shawnee State University

University of Cincinnati Campus Tour

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Admissions

MIAMI UNIVERSITY FALL OPEN HOUSE

Applying to Baylor University

Common App

COMMON APP IS ONE PLACE TO COMPLETE YOUR ENTIRE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR MANY SCHOOLS (NOT ALL), IN ONE PLACE, INSTEAD OF VISITING EVERY WEBSITE FOR EACH APPLICATION YOU WANT TO COMPLETE.

Common App Link

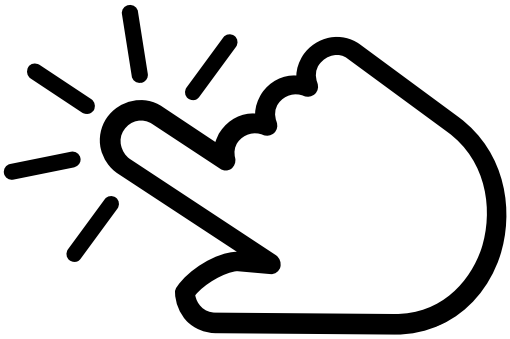
College App Fee Waivers:

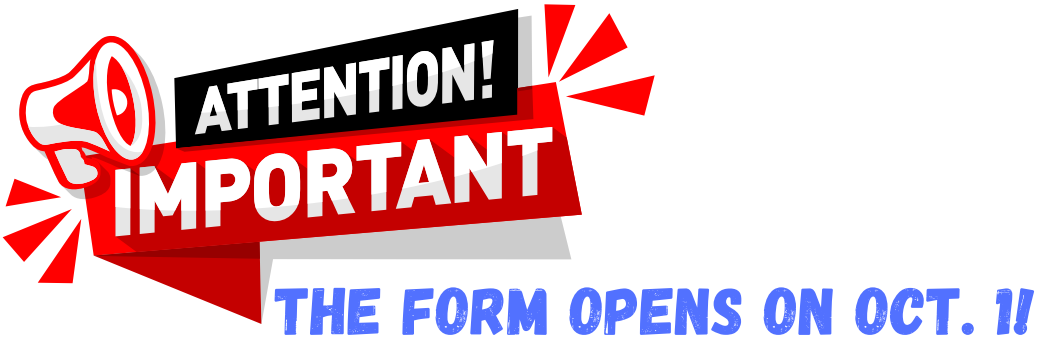
Ohio University: use code, *RufusRocks*

University of Cincinnati: promotion for all apps through Nov. 1

FAFSA & FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES

- FAFSA
- FAFSA Checklist





FAFSA: It's for You!

DON'T MISS OUT

FAFSA is for you. Whether you are a parent or a student, FAFSA could help you along on your journey by helping some or all of the financial burden that comes with post-secondary education. Still not sure if FAFSA is for you? Call the number below for a 1-on-1 call with an expert.

Call 800-433-4243

or chat with Aidan, the FSA Virtual Student Assistant

Federal Student Aid Information Center (FSAIC)

STANDARD OPERATING HOURS

Monday: 8am-9pm Eastern time (ET)
Tuesday/Wednesday: 8am-8pm (ET)
Thursday/Friday: 8am-6pm (ET)
Saturday/Sunday: Closed
Closed on federal holidays

SCHOLARSHIPS

How to Avoid Scholarship Scams

- Dr. Pepper Scholarship, Sept. 30
- Coca-Cola Scholarship, Sept. 30
- Stantec Future Leaders Scholarship, Oct. 15
- SMART Scholarship, Dec. 5