



## **College & Career Speaker Series – Financial Aid & Scholarship Searches**



9th- 12th grade students and parents are invited to attend a College & Career Speaker Series session on- Financial Aid & Scholarship Searching. This event is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 8, 2025, from 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm** in the SHS Library.

Wendy Dunlap from the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) will be presenting pertinent financial information and timelines, and address scholarship searches, helpful websites, and recommended programs.

Interested **PARENTS** register here: [PARENT RSVP](#)

Interested **STUDENTS** register in their SchoolLinks account <https://app.schoollinks.com/dashboard> under the **Events** tab or contact your school counselor to sign up. Students must communicate their attendance for this event to their teacher. Students click on “**Log in with Active Directory**” if it does not automatically log you in.

## **PSAT/NMSQT Registration – Juniors & Sophomores**

(Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test)

The 2025 PSAT will be administered in a digital format. Registered students will be required to attend a Digital Readiness Check during the school day approximately 1-2 weeks prior to the exam where they will complete exam setup and try a test preview.

Test Date/Location: **Saturday, October 11, 2025 in the Senior High School**

Registration: Complete registration and turn \$30.00 fee into the guidance office by **Friday, September 26, 2025**. A \$10.00 late fee will be applied after this date if space is available and the deadline for late registration is Friday, October 3rd. Link to registration is [HERE](#). **This can only be completed by using a Seneca Valley student email account.**

By taking the PSAT/NMSQT, juniors are entered into scholarship competitions administered by the National Merit Scholarship Program and additional scholarship providers. Visit [www.collegeboard.com/psat/](http://www.collegeboard.com/psat/) for additional information.

## **SENIORS: 2026-27 FAFSA Form NOW OPEN and**

## **FAFSA COMPLETION SESSION at SV (virtual)!**

A graphic with a light blue background. On the left, the text '2026-27 FAFSA® Form Now Available!' is displayed in a bold, dark blue font. Below this, a smaller line of text reads 'Use the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form to apply for financial aid for college, career school, or graduate school.' To the right of the text is an illustration of three stylized figures interacting with large, blue, 3D letters that spell out 'FAFSA'. One figure is sitting on top of the letters, another is standing next to them, and a third is sitting on the ground. The word 'form' is written in a smaller, lowercase font to the right of the 'A' in 'FAFSA'. Below the text on the left, there are two buttons: a blue button labeled 'Start New Form' and a white button with a blue border labeled 'Edit Existing Forms'.

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Edit a 2026-27 FAFSA® Form

Edit Existing Forms

The 2026-27 *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form is **now open** to complete. Visit the following website for more information about and how to prepare for the 2026-27 form [FAFSA® Application | Federal Student Aid](#)

Seniors and their parent (s) can create their FSA ID accounts in anticipation of completing the FAFSA. The student and/or parent contributor (s) must apply 4 days before the FAFSA application can be completed to allow time for verification. Access the following [FAFSA Tip Sheet](#) for more details.

## **LATER THIS MONTH:**

Seneca will provide a **FAFSA (virtual) Completion Session** for SV parents and seniors on **Wednesday, October 23, 2025, from 6:00-7:30 pm**. The parent and student signup is through PHEAA and available on our guidance website or here:

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/92403949-1892-4426-80e7-3e1c0a7b49b4@4fbf871e-ff12-4b1a-b977-5dbc3a75478f>

## **NORTH PITTSBURGH COLLEGE FAIR EVENT**



**Meet with representatives from 140+ Colleges and Universities**

### **Event Details**

#### **North Pittsburgh College Fair**

**La Roche University**

**LRU Kerr Fitness & Sports Center**

**Monday, October 06, 2025**

**6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

- Learn about different campuses
- Identify schools that offer your chosen major
- Free parking

Over 140+ colleges, universities and career schools will be present. Visit the La Roche University link for the list of school attending and registration information:

<https://www.laroche.edu/npcf/>

Finalizing an AP exam order is a **two-step process** – in addition to creating an account and ordering exams at **totalregistration.net**, all students need to create a **MyAP** account at **myap.collegeboard.org** to access their AP classroom and indicate that they will be taking the exam. We strongly recommend that both parent and student are present to ensure that all required information is entered and the correct exam is ordered.

## Registration Site Access and Cost

The **2026 AP exams** are ordered online through **Total Registration** – access the site the following ways:

- Direct web address: [www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/395465](http://www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/395465)
- **Total Registration** icon on the senior high guidance webpage (select **Testing** then choose **AP**)
- **AP Registration** link in “*site shortcuts*” on the senior high webpage

### AP Exam Fees and Deadlines

**Regular registration** – October 1, 2025 through October 31, 2025 – **\$105 per exam.**

**Late registration** – November 1, 2025 through November 9, 2025 – **\$135 per exam.**

\*\*Regular and late AP exams registrations that are not fully paid by Sunday, November 9, 2025 will be canceled and exams will not be ordered.

**Post-registration** – November 10, 2025 through March 6, 2026 – **\$180 per exam.**

Last possible date to order an exam (all late charges apply) – March 6, 2026.

\*\*Post-registrations that are not fully paid by Thursday, March 12, 2026 will be canceled and exams will not be ordered.

Alternate testing requests – If approved, fee will be determined based on AP policy allowances and administration expenses.

## Two-Step Ordering Process

### 1. Selecting and Paying for an AP Exam in Total Registration

This is the first step of the registration process that allows students to select and pay for an AP Exam.

- When entering your email select a **personal email account** that you access regularly since all exam information will be sent to this - **DO NOT** use your school email account.
- All required questions must be completed - you will receive an email request to verify your information.
- When prompted, select the **course, instructor and period** of your AP class.
- Payment must be submitted by **credit/debit card** or **check** made payable to **Total Registration, LLC** (if choosing to mail your payment you will be prompted to print a mail-in payment voucher).
- Registration is complete when a **pdf confirmation** appears at the end of the registration process.

### 2. Entering a Join Code in MyAP to Indicate Testing Preference

This is the second step of the registration process and finalizes the exam order.

- Students in a **traditional AP course** were provided a join code with directions for enrolling in the correct section of their AP classroom by their classroom teacher - If you haven't already joined your AP classroom, the code will be generated once you complete the Total Registration exam order.
- Students in a **cyber AP course** will not have access to an AP classroom - you will obtain an **exam only** join code after completing your Total Registration order.

- All students **must verify** they have entered the join code within their MyAP accounts for each test they plan to take, or an exam cannot be ordered for them.
- Students who already used a join code to register into an AP classroom only need to verify their testing preference after completing the Total Registration exam order in Step 1.

## **U.S. Military Service Academy Night**

## **Open invite to High School Students and Family Members**

### **UNITED STATES SERVICE ACADEMIES** **Western Pennsylvania Fall 2025 Information Seminar** *For Students, Families, and School Officials*

*Presented by the United States Military Academy Directorate of Admissions  
 and the West Point Field Force (WestPoint.edu/Admissions)*



*With Admissions Representatives of the*

*United States Military Academy at West Point  
 United States Naval Academy  
 United States Air Force Academy  
 United States Merchant Marine Academy  
 United States Coast Guard Academy*

**Thursday, October 30, 2025**

**ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY  
 6001 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD  
 UPMC EVENTS CENTER  
 MOON TOWNSHIP, PA 15108**

**6:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
 Doors Open 5:30 PM**

*Contact: Charles Schrankel (USMA '60), West Point Field Force Coordinator, Pennsylvania  
 Phone: (412) XXX-XXXX E-mail: CSchrank60@aol.com*

Representatives for the United States Military Academy at West Point, U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Air Force Academy, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy will be hosting a **Military Service Academy Night** for students interested in attending one of our nation's Service Academies. As students begin to consider

and work towards the possibility of attending an academy, this event is intended to assist in their overall preparedness.

**WHEN:** Thursday, October 30, 2025, from 6:00-9:00 pm. The program will include presentations from Academy Liaison Officers and a detailed explanation of the Congressional nomination process. Service Academy Liaisons will also be available to answer questions from Academy Night attendees.

**WHERE:** ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY (RMU), UPMC Events Center, 6001 University Boulevard, Moon Township, PA 15108.

## **ASVAB Testing**

**Seniors, Juniors and Sophomores:** Are you struggling with what you want to do with your life following high school? Not sure what career you want to pursue? On **Tuesday, October 21, 2025 the ASVAB will be administered** to any interested student during periods 1 through 4. The ASVAB is a career exploration program that includes an aptitude test, interest inventory and an exercise that helps students explore the world of work. If you are interested in taking the ASVAB, **pick up a permission slip and sign-up by October 17<sup>th</sup>** in the IHS or SHS guidance office. There is no cost to take this test. ***A signed permission slip is required to take the test.***

## **College Admissions Representatives – Visits**



**College Admission Representatives** are meeting in-person with interested 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Seneca Valley students throughout the Fall season. In the college search process, it is important to schedule visits, learn about different colleges and universities, meet the representative (most times that representative will be making admissions decisions) and ask questions that are important to one's success in the college environment. Students can sign up with institutions of interest by logging into their SchoolLinks account and clicking on the **Events Tab** or stopping by the representative's table at lunchtime. Students will login to SchoolLinks by locating the SchoolLinks icon on the resource page of their building or through the Clever URL <https://app.schoollinks.com/dashboard>.

**New institutions sign up daily, so keep checking back.**

Students must communicate their attendance if held during class time for this visit to their teacher by sharing their SchoolLinks registration confirmation.

## **Senior Class and College Applications**

Seniors are reminded to request all transcripts and teacher letters of recommendation through our College & Career Readiness platform: **SchoolLinks**. Students and parents can track the status of all requests to see when documents have been sent to colleges and universities. Access pertinent transcript, college processing information, and how-to guides on the Guidance website **HERE**.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Access **SchoolLinks** and go to **Finances** and then to **Scholarship Matching** to review national scholarship opportunities. Local and some state scholarships we receive throughout the school year will be posted on **SchoolLinks** under the **District Posted** tab. For more information about other scholarship searches and tips visit our guidance website **Scholarships (svsd.net)** and be sure to download the ***SV Guide to Scholarships & Grants***.

## **2025-2026 COLLEGE CHECKLISTS**

All 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students can now access a planning calendar for SV College & Career events and timeline for meeting college planning goals on the Guidance website. Access these grade level checklists **HERE**

## **SAT and ACT Testing**

Check for upcoming test/registration dates to meet fall application deadlines. Check our Testing page on the Guidance website for details **HERE**.

**Don't forget to follow the school counselors for more events and reminders on Instagram:**



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