

# COLLEGE CONNECTION

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## KEY DATES

- **DECEMBER 1**  
This is the Early Decision and Regular Decision deadline for many colleges and universities. Please check your college for specific admission and scholarship deadlines.

## DECEMBER 9

### CAREER CONNECTIONS PANEL: Financial Services

- **DECEMBER 16**  
Reading Day
- **DECEMBER 17-19**  
Final Exams

## SDHS ALUMNI

**Jack Niggemeier '19**  
**William Woods University**  
'22, '24



Jack Niggemeier was an All-State, three-sport student-athlete in football, basketball and baseball at St. Dominic High School from 2016-2019 before continuing his baseball and academic career at William Woods University. He became a team captain for the Owls in addition to being part of the honors program, Dean's Council and Association of Student-Athletes at William Woods where he earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees in business administration. Jack, who recently got engaged to Savannah Evers '19, is now an inventory analyst for Max-Air Technology.

[FULL INTERVIEW](#)



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## SPOTLIGHT

**DEC**  
**09**

### Career Connections Panel: Financial Services

St. Dominic Learning Commons  
11:15-11:55am

In order to offer our students exposure and future opportunities to various career pathways, St. Dominic High School is implementing a series of panels called the "Career Connection Panel" for the 2025-26 school year. The panels are organized by different career paths that include medical, engineering, business, agriculture, human services and many more.

Each panel will consist of 3-5 speakers from the region in that specific career pathway for that day. All students are invited to attend the panel sessions. Mr. Markway will moderate the event by asking questions as it relates to their career pathway before opening up questions for students to ask the panel members.

Our December panel will be focused on careers in Financial Services including accounting, banking and financial advisors.

[REGISTER HERE TO ATTEND](#)



**CAREER CONNECTION**  
*Panel*

**FINANCIAL SERVICES**

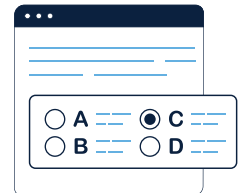


## HELPFUL Tips

### Study Skills

- ✓ **Time management:** Use a planner to schedule study sessions, assignments, and deadlines, and break large projects into smaller, manageable tasks.
- ✓ **Set goals:** Establish specific goals for each study session to stay focused. Create a schedule: Spacing out study sessions over time is more effective than cramming.
- ✓ **Find a good study space:** Organize a conducive study environment that is free from distractions.
- ✓ **Minimize distractions:** Turn off your phone and social media notifications.
- ✓ **Take breaks:** Schedule regular breaks to avoid burnout. Short, frequent breaks are often more effective than long ones.
- ✓ **Study with others:** Work with a study group to discuss material and reinforce your learning.

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## GUIDANCE Focus

### Final Exam Information



TUESDAY

**16**  
Reading  
Day

WEDNESDAY

**17**  
B1 B2 B3  
Exams

THURSDAY

**18**  
B4 W5 W6  
Exams

FRIDAY

**19**  
W7 W8  
Make up



## COLLEGE Planning

### Scholarship

- Where is the money? Check out our live list of FREE scholarships that you can apply for!
- Also, check out these popular search engines to locate more scholarships specific to your student:

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

**2025-2026  
SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**



**CLASS OF 2026**

**[Report all Earned Scholarships HERE](#)**

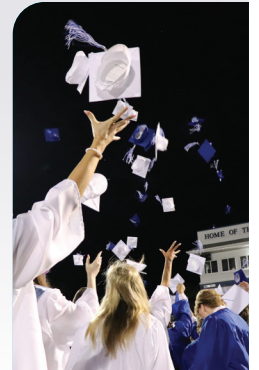
## SCOIR CHECKLIST

- Complete your profile
- Add colleges to your list (e.g., "Following" or "Applied")
- Request teacher recommendations
- Request transcripts
- Update application status (e.g., "Accepted," "Waitlisted," "Denied")
- Indicate your final college choice by marking yourself as "Enrolling"



## HELPFUL Links

- ▶ **College Guidance**  
[stdominichs.org/academics/college](http://stdominichs.org/academics/college)
- ▶ **Scoir**  
[scoir.com](http://scoir.com)
- ▶ **Scholarships**  
[fastweb.com](http://fastweb.com) | [myscholly.com](http://myscholly.com)
- ▶ **FAFSA**  
[studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov)
- ▶ **Common App**  
[commonapp.org](http://commonapp.org)
- ▶ **NCAA Eligibility**  
[web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3](http://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3)
- ▶ **ACT**  
[act.org](http://act.org)
- ▶ **SAT**  
[satsuite.collegeboard.org](http://satsuite.collegeboard.org)



## DECEMBER COLLEGE Visits

Students of all grade levels have the unique opportunity to connect with college representatives during Empower Hour in the Eisenbath Atrium. **The following colleges will be on campus during the dates noted below.**



Ranken Technical College  
12/3/25



Lindenwood University  
12/4/25



Missouri Baptist University  
12/10/25



Southern Illinois University  
(Carbondale)  
12/11/25

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