

College and Career Newsletter

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Seniors

Paying for College

CMU's Distinguished Scholar Award

Full-tuition scholarship for high achieving students

The application is due on **February 9th** for the incoming class of Fall 2026. Visit <https://www.coloradomesa.edu/financial-aid/scholarships/distinguished-scholar.html> for more information or go to your MAVZONE portal.

Local Scholarship: Grand Valley Power

If your family is a Grand Valley Power customer, you can apply for a variety of scholarships through the company. Go to <https://gvp.org/scholarship-program> or see Mrs. Van Schaick for more information.

Scholarship Search



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WCCF has a list of local scholarships, some of which apply to Mesa County residents. Visit wc-cf.org/scholarships

Midyear Transcripts

If you need an updated transcript/midyear report for your college and scholarship applications, **please submit a new transcript request.**

Pick up a form in the College and Career Office or at the front desk. Please submit to Mrs. Van Schaick upon completion.

Juniors

SAT Info

Official SAT Testing begins on Monday, April 13th.

SAT scores are not only used by some colleges for admission, but can also earn scholarships, work study opportunities, and entrance into specific college programs. Students who spend time practicing and studying for the SAT earn significantly higher scores than those who do not.

***Caprock is offering monthly Friday practice opportunities for the digital SAT in our computer lab.**

Dates: 1/16 and 2/27. March date TBD.

Please let Mrs. Van Schaick know if you plan to attend.

*Student can also practice at home using Khan Academy's test prep resources at <https://www.khanacademy.org/digital-sat>,

*In addition, we are planning a high-school wide practice day when students will be given time during school to take a practice test. More info to come!

Thinking about college?

In preparing for college application season, juniors should be *paying attention to their grades and participating in extra-curricular activities.*

Now is also a good time to start thinking about your schools of interest and exploring college websites.

The College Tour is a series on YouTube or Prime Video that spotlights colleges and universities in the United States, including Colorado's own:

Fort Lewis College
Colorado School of Mines
Adams State University
Western Colorado University

Each episode gives information about the school from student perspectives, as well as highlights about the campus and the surrounding community. It's a great place to start your search!

