

COLLEGE CONNECTION

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KEY DATES

APRIL 7

DISTRICT ACT (11TH GRADE)
PREACT (9TH AND 10TH GRADES)

- **APRIL 13**
Be Ready St. Charles Community College Registration Day
- **APRIL 22**
Build My Future Trades Expo
- **APRIL 23**
Sophomore College Visit Day 1
- **APRIL 28**
Sophomore College Visit Day 2



SDHS ALUMNI

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Tyler Kohout is a 2021 graduate of St. Dominic High School who was a part of both the football and volleyball teams, as well as Peer Ministry, National Honor Society and Viri Dei. Tyler went on to study Business Administration, earning his Bachelors of Science with a major in Finance and minor in Computer Science. After graduating in 2025 from UCM, Tyler is now a Financial Advisor at Thrivent Financial.

[FULL INTERVIEW](#)


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SPOTLIGHT

APRIL
07

SDHS PreACT/ACT Testing Day

Test Date/Time: Tuesday, April 7th
8am-11:30am

Location: St. Dominic High School


[FRESHMEN/SOPHOMORES](#)
[JUNIORS](#)


HELPFUL Tips

Job Interviewing

Getting your first job interview in high school is a big step, and most employers don't expect you to be perfect. They're mainly looking for attitude, reliability, and willingness to learn.

1. Before the Interview

- Look up what the business does (restaurant, retail store, etc.)
- Know basic things like hours, products, or services

2. Practice common questions

Be ready for things like: "Tell me about yourself" "Why do you want to work here?" "What are your strengths?" "How do you handle responsibility?"

3. Plan your outfit

Clean, neat, and slightly nicer than everyday clothes No need for a suit—just avoid anything sloppy

4. First impressions matter

Make eye contact, Smile and give a firm (not crushing) handshake, Say: "Nice to meet you"

5. Show enthusiasm

Employers love students who seem eager to work. Even if it's a basic job, act like you want it

6. Use examples (even from school)

No job experience? Totally fine. Use: Group projects, Sports or clubs, Volunteering. Example: "In school, I always turn in assignments on time..."

7. Be honest

If you don't know something, say you're willing to learn.

8. Ask a question

Shows interest. Try: "What does a typical day look like?" "What do you look for in a great employee?"

9. Say thank you - "Thank you for the opportunity—I appreciate your time."

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GUIDANCE Focus

April College Guidance Field Trips

Sophomores will visit four campuses around the St. Louis area with the St. Dominic College Guidance Coordinators April 23rd and April 28th. Each campus visit will include a tour and presentation about academic programs offered to help sophomores prepare for their own individual college visits. **Colleges include: Lindenwood University, St. Charles Community College, Missouri Baptist University and Maryville University.**

The Guidance Coordinators are also taking 48 students interested in the trades to the [Build My Future](#) event at the St. Charles Family Arena on Wednesday, April 22, 2026. This is an educational field trip and an opportunity for our students to meet with employers/ educational programs that provide training for the trades. While at the event, the students will explore the various interactive trade booths, meet with employers and do some hands-on activities.



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

▶ Scoir

scoir.com

▶ Scholarships

fastweb.com | myscholly.com

▶ FAFSA

studentaid.gov

▶ Common App

commonapp.org

▶ NCAA Eligibility

web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3

▶ ACT

act.org

▶ SAT

satsuite.collegeboard.org



APRIL 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.**



Mizzou
4/1/26



University of Kansas
4/15/26



University of Missouri
Kansas City
4/23/26

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