

SENIOR NEWSLETTER

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There are **three happenings** which are coming up quickly. You and your family are invited to attend each of these functions:

Ranger Preview Day Is Coming October 24, 9 AM- 1 PM



- Learn more about what Kilgore College has to offer
- Visit with campus departments
- Find out about on-campus Clubs/Organizations
- Meet the Recruitment Services staff
- Get answers to all of your Financial Aid questions
- Tour the KC campus & receive a Preview Day T-shirt
- See classroom demonstrations
- Free lunch for you & your family
- REGISTER www.kilgore.edu or (903) 983-8209

Project Graduation and the Sabine High School Financial Aid Workshop will be Monday, November 2, in the SHS Library.

Project Graduation starts at 6 PM Financial Aid Workshop starts at 6:45 PM

You will have an opportunity to learn more about financial aid, admission and scholarships at the November 2 Financial Aid Workshop. Representatives from Kilgore College will be here to do a presentation and to answer questions you may have.

One form that must be submitted before any college, university or most technology schools will award any financial aid is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The form is or will be available at www.fafsa.ed.gov. The form may not be submitted until after January 1, 2010. You will need to figure your income tax for 2009 before completing the form. Line items on your family tax, as well as the student's tax if s/he works, will be needed to complete the form. Some preliminary information may be entered as soon as the form is available on the web. Our consultants for the Sabine High School Financial Aid Workshop will review the process and the form with you.

College/Career Night will be on Monday, November 16

The 2009 College Night sponsored by the Greater Longview Organization for Business and Education (GLOBE) is set for Monday, November 16, from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. The event will be held at Maude Cobb Convention Center. College Night provides you and your parents the opportunity to visit with representatives from many universities, community colleges, technical vocational schools and military branches concerning future college and career plans. Scholarship and financial aid information will also be available. There is no charge for this event.

Are you using the eScholarships at the Sabine ISD Web site <http://www.sabine.esc7.net> to find scholarships and their application forms and information? If not, you may be missing out on money that will help finance your college costs. You can access the web from your home computer. After you are on the web site, click on campuses; choose high school; click on Counselor; scroll down to “info for Seniors.” Click on College Guidance Consultants Scholarship Service. eScholarships will appear. Scroll down to Username; enter sabine; scroll down to password; enter sabine. Hit Login.

There are many other web sites from which you can get scholarship materials and even college search engines. Be sure to check

www.SchoolSoup.com ~ the world's largest scholarship database and

www.Fastweb.com ~ scholarships and college search.

The Christian Connector provides a FREE Christian college information service and a \$2,500 Christian college scholarship drawing. Log onto www.christianconnector.com to request information and automatically be entered in the scholarship drawing.

You can also Google for scholarship information.

If you are ready to apply to a college in Texas, visit ApplyTexas.org and fill out the application. You can submit the form when you complete it. If there is a need to send a transcript, pick up a Request for Transcript Form in the office or from your counselor. You and one of your parents or guardians must sign the form, tell us which college(s) you want to receive it and return the form to Mrs. Bosmans or Mrs. Richardson. We will mail the transcript to the school.

The Elks National Foundation 2010 Most Valuable Student Scholarship Application is available from your counselor. This application is also listed with eScholarships, but a local Elks Lodge must endorse all applications. High school seniors who apply must be U.S. citizens. Applications will be judged on scholarship, leadership and financial need. The completed packet must be in a folder and contain a transcript and ACT or SAT scores, as well as employment and community service. The application must be filed at the Elks Lodge on or before November 2. Scholarship awards range from \$1,000 - \$15,000 per year and are renewable for four years. Male and female students compete separately for identical awards.

For students who are interested in becoming a teacher with a commitment to music education, check eScholarships for more information on the Texas Music Educators Association Scholarship for \$2,500. The scholarship application must be received by November 15.

Some seniors have not turned in your “ACCOMPLISHMENT SHEETS.” Some of you may have missed the day I brought them to your class. Some may still be working on them. **THE FINAL DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF THESE FORMS TO YOUR COUNSELOR WILL BE MONDAY, OCTOBER 26.** If you do not see me, return the forms to the office. Mrs. Burns or Mrs. Crutcher will put them in my box.

