

## EASTERN SENIOR COUNSELOR POST SEPTEMBER 15, 2017

**NOTES FROM MS. DATTILO: All seniors should be using Parchment to send transcripts to colleges. If you are not able to access the Parchment instructions through your school email, contact Ms. Dattilo.**

*Seniors, I am still making those classroom visits. If I haven't been to your English class yet, I'll probably be there next week!. Be prepared with questions you have about the post-secondary search and college application process.* --Ms. Dattilo

### **BALFOUR INFORMATION:**

Balfour presented to the seniors on September 5 and students were given their packets to bring home. Information on the pricing of announcements, senior wear, and caps and gowns is in the packet. Cap and Gown are \$45 before December 1, so be sure to order now before the price goes up. Balfour will be here this month during lunches on September 12 and September 21 to take orders from seniors.

### **TEST PREPARATION:**

**TORCHPREP ACT Prep:** Fall 2017 Training sessions include 15 hours of strategy training, 4 full length practice tests, customized study plan, testing watch, guaranteed results. Contact them at 888-382-8174 or [info@torchprep.com](mailto:info@torchprep.com) or [torchprep.com](http://torchprep.com) for more information.

**FREE TEST PREP THROUGH EHS SCHOOL LIBRARY:** Log on to the JCPS Home page. click on Students, then School Libraries, High School Libraries, and finally Eastern. Click on the College Resources tab at the top of the page. Click on the Testing & Education Reference Center widget; enter the password (ASK THE SCHOOL LIBRARIAN FOR THE PASSWORD) and click Proceed. Click on College Prep Tools to practice ACT, SAT, PSAT, etc.). If you are practicing for the ACT, choose either of 2 options: ACT Practice Tests or ACT Online Course. Click on High School Tools to practice for the AP exams, GED, etc.; click on Career Tools to practice the ASVAB, etc.). Create an account so that your practice tests can be saved and scored. You have 90 days to complete each test.

**KAPLAN** will be holding **prep courses in your area** to prepare students for the upcoming ACT test dates. Live Online format available as well! All ACT and SAT courses are **\$250 off through 8/31**.

**Louisville Area: 1) Location: Residence Inn Downtown Louisville. Prepping for:** October 28th ACT, **Start Date:** 9/30/2017

**Schedule:** Sat 9AM, Sun 1PM, Click [kaptest.com/class/ACOKS17392](http://kaptest.com/class/ACOKS17392) to view the complete schedule.

**ZAPS ACT Test Prep Seminar will be held at Eastern on Monday and Tuesday, September 25 and 26** from 2:45 to 5:15 p.m. in the multipurpose room. The cost for this test prep is \$79.99. Register at [www.doorwaytocollege.com](http://www.doorwaytocollege.com) or call 877-927-8378. ZAPS Test Prep explains the most common question types and how to approach them. It teaches effective strategies for approaching each subtest. It provides authentic, timed, testing practice and builds on students' confidence to reduce test anxiety. It includes extensive materials for home practice.

**METHOD TEST PREP** - If you're taking the September ACT, now is crunch time. Method Test Prep has the last-minute help you need to do your best on test day! **Method Test Prep: ACT Math Power Course** - If your goal is to dominate on the Math ACT, look no further. Our ACT Math Power Course is an intense, 2-night, 3-hour web-based course specifically designed to push your scores up above 30. We'll be covering the most challenging questions and learning the most valuable strategies for mastering them.

Don't wait to register — these classes happen next week! [www.methodtestprep.com](http://www.methodtestprep.com) for more information.

**GRADE POWER LEARNING** – Ace the ACT with GPA 5.0 ACT prep in Critical Reading, English Prep, Math & Science Prep, Test-Taking Strategies, and Time Management. Go to [www.gradelearning.com](http://www.gradelearning.com) for more information.

## **COLLEGE VISITS:**

**EHS ADVISORY SESSIONS YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR:** (See Ms. Dattilo for a pass prior to the date.)

**September 20 – U of L Representative, Aimee Huffstetler**

**October 4 – University of Kentucky Representative, Logan Sparks**

**October 18 – University of Cincinnati Representative**

**October 18 – UK College of Engineering**

**October 18 – University of Alabama – Alana Karl, UA rep**

**November 1 – Morehead State University Representative**

**November 15 – Eastern Kentucky University**

**November 15 – JCTC**

**January 10 - JCTC**

### **EHS CAFETERIA VISITS DURING LUNCHESES:**

Representatives from the following colleges/organizations will be in the multipurpose room during lunch to meet with interested students.

**September 14 – UPS College and Career Expo**

**September 19 – EKV**

**September 21 – Transylvania University**

**September 22 – Savannah College of Art and Design**

**September 25 – Purdue**

**September 27 – National Guard**

**October 2 – Bellarmine**

**October 5 – University of Southern California**

**October 11 – Lindsey Wilson College**

**October 26 - Hanover**

**Duke University Open Houses (RSVP by Monday, Sept. 18)** – Duke is pleased to share with you and your students that Duke will offer two specialized on-campus Open House programs on **Saturday, September 23** from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

#### **Arts & Humanities Open House**

- Open to Juniors and Seniors and their families
- Designed for students interested in the arts and humanities (classics, languages and literatures, history, philosophy, religious studies, visual art and theory, documentary studies, dance, music, theater, film and video)
- The schedule includes sample classes, campus tours, an introduction to student research, arts and humanities-related co-curricular activities, and career options for arts and humanities majors, as well as admissions & financial aid information.
- To register, go to <https://admiss.ugrad.duke.edu/register/aandhopenhouse>.

#### **Pratt School of Engineering Open House**

- Open to Seniors and their families

- Designed for students interested in engineering (biomedical engineering, civil engineering, environmental engineering, electrical and computer engineering, mechanical engineering and materials science)
- The schedule includes student and faculty panels, campus tours – including tours of engineering labs, an introduction to student research, engineering-related co-curricular activities, and admissions & financial aid information.
- To register, go to <https://admiss.ugrad.duke.edu/register/prattopenhouse>.

Both programs provide a continental breakfast and lunch for students and their families. If your students are unable to attend an Open House on September 23, or if they are interested in other fields of study including social sciences and natural sciences, they may visit campus at another time by [attending an information session and student-led campus tour](#). If they can't visit Duke, we encourage them to check out our campus via our new [virtual tour feature](#).

**For Senior Females interested in STEAM and Purdue:** Paint Purdue Pink is scheduled for Friday, September 29, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. This free event is geared towards high school age girls who want to explore careers in STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics). There will be opportunities to network and get advice from successful female professionals working in STEAM and leadership related fields. They'll get to speak with staff and faculty from Purdue Polytechnic New Albany and learn how we are full STEAM ahead. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. Pre-registration is required, please see Ms. Dattilo for the registration form. The registration deadline is Monday, September 25 and is limited to the first 100 registrants. Parent would be responsible for taking the student to the event. Students would also need to fill out an educational enhancement form in the front office prior to the event.

**Eastern Kentucky University** will host an open house in Louisville on October 24 at the Holiday Inn East and will run 6:00PM – 8:00PM. This is a great event for students and parents to meet with admissions, financial aid, as well as ECU faculty. Light refreshments will be provided at this event. In order to register for the Louisville Open House, please use the following link: [admissions.eku.edu/special-events](http://admissions.eku.edu/special-events)

**TULANE UNIVERSITY** Admissions representative will visit Louisville at the Main Library Branch on September 25, 2017 at 7 p.m.  
<http://admission.tulane.edu/visit/special-programs/tulane-comes-to-you#.WYxFwaH02wo.twitter>

**University of Dayton** is hosting Open Houses on Oct. 1 or Nov. 5 from 12–4 p.m., 300 College Park, Dayton, OH 45469. Students will hear about 80-plus academic programs, or get tips for choosing a major if they're undecided. Families will also chat with current students, tour our beautiful campus, learn about admission and financial aid, discover experiential learning opportunities and more. For more information or to RSVP, [visit us online](#), or contact us at 800-UD PRIDE (800-837-7433) if you have any questions.

**University of Evansville** Open Houses: October 21, January 15, and April 21. Go to <https://www.evansville.edu/visit/openhouse> for more information.

**Kentucky State University** -- **Fall High School Day** will be held on Saturday October 7, 2017 at 8:30am. Location: KSU Exum Gym. Students and families can enjoy an academic and student organization fair, and campus tour. There will also be performances by our Mighty Marching Thorobreds and area high school bands, KSU Choirs, Greek Organizations, and more! ***This event is Free!*** Register today by clicking the invitation or visit: <http://kysu.edu/event/2017-fall-high-school-day/>. For Hotel Accommodations please contact: Capital Plaza Hotel 502-227-5100 ext. 5102.

**UPS College and Career Expo to be held Saturday, September 23 from 12 to 4 p.m. Triple Crown Pavilion, Ramada Plaza, 1776 Plantside Drive. Go to [www.collegeandcareerexpo.com](http://www.collegeandcareerexpo.com) for more information. Free admission, Free parking. College reps on-site! Scholarship opportunities and Giveaways!**

**Northern Kentucky Regional College Fair, Tuesday, September 19 at 6 p.m. at Thomas More College Campus, Connor Convocation Center**

**Indiana University Southeast Open House** – Saturday, October 21 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
[www.ius.edu/open-house](http://www.ius.edu/open-house) for more information.

**University of Louisville** representative will be here during advisory on September 20. Students will need to sign up with Ms. Dattilo for a pass to go beginning next week.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID:**

**PLEASE BE SURE TO LOOK AT THE WEBSITE OF YOUR COLLEGE(S) OF INTEREST FOR SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES FOR EACH SCHOOL. They are often earlier than the admissions deadline!**

**EHS FINANCIAL AID NIGHT** – Eastern will host a financial aid night similar to the one in the Spring of last year. The date will be **September 28 at 6 p.m.** Candice Johnson from KHEAA will be here to explain the ins and outs of completing the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), which seniors can begin filing October 1.

**MINORITIES TO MAJORITIES: THE SCHOLARSHIP APP FOR UNDER-REPRESENTED STUDENTS**  
*-- New app redefines the way minority students find scholarships --* **Nationwide** ([BlackNews.com](http://BlackNews.com)) **Minorities to Majorities**(TM) is a FREE mobile app-based platform launched in December 2016 by founder Jasmine N. Chigbu, in an effort to re-define the way under-represented students pursue academic and professional opportunities. The mobile app was designed to provide under-represented ethnic minority, female, LGBTQ+ and international students with information about various scholarship, internship and fellowship opportunities across the country and the globe.

Minorities to Majorities(TM) also offers consulting services to students and parents who seek individualized professional assistance identifying various educational and professional opportunities. This inclusive platform also aims to inspire students by profiling various minority professionals who have been trailblazers in their careers through the apps MTM Trailblazers section. Additionally, the mobile application provides students with information about numerous business and leadership conferences across the country so they can begin to build their professional network.

Minorities to Majorities(TM) is eager to share this mobile app with the community because each year about \$46 billion in grants and scholarship money are awarded by the US Department of Education and the nations colleges and universities. Furthermore, scholarships are the best way for students to fund their education without acquiring excessive amounts of loan debt. Minorities to Majorities hopes providing minority students with the necessary information will aid them in their pursuit of higher education and career advancement.

As founder Jasmine N. Chigbu explains, Minorities to Majorities was created in an effort to inform, inspire and motivate students to pursue their dreams. We hope to encourage students by showing them that with the perfect combination of initiative, hard work and opportunity they can achieve anything! We are the opportunity app for students! Minorities to Majorities is a fast, easy, mobile platform designed for students to pursue their educational and professional goals. Please, join Jasmine and the MTM team as we make the movement from Minorities to Majorities!

For more details and/or to download the app, visit [www.MinoritiesToMajorities.com](http://www.MinoritiesToMajorities.com)

**Students Encouraged to Apply for Commissioner’s Advisory Council:** (FRANKFORT, Ky.) – Public school students in grades 10-12 are invited to apply for membership on the Commissioner’s Student Council, an advisory group that provides input and feedback to Kentucky Commissioner of Education Stephen Pruitt. The council also is designed to engage student leaders in learning by doing.

The Commissioner’s Student Council is a year-long program. The group will meet with the commissioner and Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) staff to discuss how decisions made at the state level are affecting students throughout Kentucky. Members will provide feedback – from a student perspective – on critical issues impacting Kentucky students and schools.

The council seeks students with innovative ideas and thoughtful insight into how schools and student achievement can be improved. Students who represent the diverse academic, geographic, demographic and school- size variables for Kentucky are encouraged to apply, including students enrolled in career pathways and students at the Kentucky School for the Blind and Kentucky School for the Deaf. The application and a list of Frequently Asked Questions are available on the KDE website, <http://education.ky.gov/CommOfEd/adv/Pages/Next-Generation-Student-Advisory-Council.aspx>.

Interested students should complete and return the application to KDE via postal mail or email. Applications must be received by or postmarked no later than 4:30 p.m. ET, Friday, September 29. A committee of KDE representatives will review and score all applications based on the answers provided. Appointments to the council will be determined by how well the applicants communicate their ideas and goals.

Students selected to serve on the council include two students from each of the seven Supreme Court districts, and at least one student from the Kentucky School for the Blind, the Kentucky School for the Deaf and a student enrolled in a career and technical education pathway. Students selected for the council may serve consecutive one-year terms as long as they remain eligible to serve.

**For High-Achieving students interested in Davidson College in North Carolina:** Ms. Dattilo can nominate for the John M. Belk Scholarship which recognizes and rewards students of demonstrated intellectual and personal achievement and significant leadership ability. Belk Scholars represent the finest attributes of the Davidson student body: intellectual excellence and curiosity, integrity, global awareness, and leadership ability and potential. Davidson will name Eight Belk Scholars who will receive an annually renewable scholarship and special study stipends. If you would like to be nominated for this honor or to learn more, please contact Ms. Dattilo no later than October 1. Nominees will have to apply by December 1.

**Kentucky School Boards Association First Degree College Scholarship Program:** The board of directors of the Kentucky School Boards Association will fund two \$2,500 scholarships for eligible high school seniors to attend any two- or four-year accredited college or university, in state or out. Eligible students are those who would be the first members of their immediate families (parents, guardians, siblings) to attend an institution of higher education. Eligibility must be affirmed and signed by the high school counselor, and the school district’s board chairperson and superintendent. Minimum ACT reading score of 20 is required. The scholarships will be awarded based on a drawing conducted by the KSBA Board of Directors at their December meeting. If interested in this scholarship, see Ms. Dattilo for the one-page application and return by October 1. Ms. Dattilo will forward applications to the Board of Education at that time.

**AES Engineering Scholarship:** Students must submit an essay of between 500 and 1000 words in answer to the following question: When you look back on your life in 30 years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful? What relationships or accomplishments will be important on this journey? **Amount of award: \$500.00. Deadline for entry: October 6, 2017.** Submit essay to

*scholarships@aesengineers.com* There is no application packet for this award. Please do not include your resume at this time. Be sure to include your full name as well as the name of the school you are attending this year and your plans for next year.

**International High School Essay Contest sponsored by The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.** Local Award: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$500, 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$300, 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$200 / Two tickets to attend the Annual Achievement Week Banquet on November 18. Local winner competes for four college scholarships from \$1,000 to \$5,000. Contest closes **October 6**. Rules: The essay must be entitled: "What Actions Can You Take to Promote Social Justice and Embrace Diversity of All People?" The essay must be original, neither previously published nor secured by copyright. The essay must be between 700 and 750 words in length. The typewritten, double-spaced copies must be submitted via email in .doc or .pdf format. For an entry form, see Ms. Dattilo or your English teacher.

**For high-achieving seniors applying to UNC Charlotte!** - The Levine Scholars Program seeks exceptional high school seniors who demonstrate a commitment to community service, hold an academic record that reflects a sustained passion for knowledge and possess a capacity for ethical leadership that elevates fellow students to a higher standard. The program takes the brightest, most capable students and gives them the tools, resources and environment they need to explore the world around them, engage across discipline and excel at the highest levels. Scholars receive: An award for four years of tuition, room, board, books and mandatory fees, An \$8,000 grant to implement a service project of their own design, Four [summer experiences](#) including [study abroad](#) and [NOLS](#), Opportunities for mentored and funded professional research, Cultural and athletic outings throughout Charlotte, Access to a professional development fund, An undergraduate experience they will cherish for a lifetime. See Ms. Dattilo if you are interested in learning more about nomination for this honor.

**Do you know about Berea College?** Berea College in Berea, Kentucky has been serving students of great promise with limited financial means for more than 150 years. But many deserving students never hear about what Berea has to offer. Every admitted student to Berea College receives our **Tuition Promise Scholarship**, a guarantee that **no student will ever pay tuition**. In addition, we provide every student with a brand-new, free Dell laptop and assist them with the costs of housing and meals. If you are a student with limited financial means and are interested in learning more about Berea, talk to Ms. Dattilo today!

**QuestBridge:** The QuestBridge National College Match connects academically outstanding high school seniors from low-income backgrounds with full four-year scholarships worth over \$200,000 each to the nation's leading colleges. Who Should Apply? High school seniors who are in the top 5 to 10% of their class, score better than 1310 on the SAT or 28+ on the ACT, come from households earning less than \$65,000 per year for a typical family of four, may be eligible for free/reduced lunch, may be part of the first generation in their family to attend college. Apply online at [www.questbridge.org](http://www.questbridge.org). Applications are due September 27.

ARE YOU APPLYING TO **WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS**? See Ms. Dattilo if you are an outstanding student with activities that illustrate community service, high moral character, and demonstrated leadership that set you apart from others. Counselors may nominate students for the Danforth Scholarship. Please see Ms. Dattilo no later than October 31 if you are interested in this potential opportunity. You will be required to submit the counselor letter of recommendation assignment as well.

**Newcomber Funeral Service Group** will award scholarships from \$500 to \$3500 annually to students who will enroll in a mortuary science course of study. The application deadline is October 27, 2017. For more details and to complete the online application, please visit [www.NFSGI.com/scholarship](http://www.NFSGI.com/scholarship).

**Gilda's Club Teen Writing and Visual Art Contest** for those students who have a connection to cancer. Go to [www.gildasclublouisville.org/WriteStuff](http://www.gildasclublouisville.org/WriteStuff) for more info. Due Friday, September 29, 2017. Cash prizes up to \$500 for winning entries.

**National Young Arts Foundation** – YoungArts' national arts competition. Open to 15-18 year old visual, literary, design or performing artists. Applications are open until October 13, 2017. Receive up to \$10,000 in cash awards. Take master classes with accomplished artists. Become eligible for nomination as a U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts. Receive a lifetime of mentoring and professional support. Achieve national recognition. <http://www.youngarts.org/apply>

**Berea College:** Are you an outstanding high school senior in the fields of science, music, or service who deserves to be honored for his/her academic or extracurricular achievements? Does your family have a household income level of less than \$50,000? Is Berea College on your radar? Should it be? If so, see Ms. Dattilo today for the Berea College Pinnacle Scholar Awards of Excellence, which celebrates high-achieving students who have a household income of less than \$50,000. Chosen Pinnacle Scholars will be honored during a special on-campus award ceremony in November at Berea College. See Ms. Dattilo no later than this month for more information.

**Horatio Alger Scholar:** The Horatio Alger Association scholarship program provides financial assistance to students throughout the nation who have significant financial need and have exhibited integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity. The scholarships are given to deserving students each year and range in value from \$6,000 to \$25,000. Eligibility criteria include high school graduation in Spring/Summer, demonstrated critical financial need (\$55,000 or lower adjusted gross family income), minimum 2.0 gpa, and United States citizenship. Students may apply online at [scholars.horatioalger.org](http://scholars.horatioalger.org) until October 25.

FROM UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE -- Our **Fall 2018 application** is now open! Great news: this year we've reduced our application fee from \$50 to \$25. Kentucky and Southern Indiana students accepted before December 15 with 3.5 GPA and 26 ACT will be awarded **automatic scholarships** on a rolling basis. The Competitive **Scholarship** and **Honors Program** application is also available. To apply for either, students must first apply for admission, then apply using the Scholarship/Honors application with their same admissions application log-in.

### **JOBS NOW:**

The YMCA Site at Hite Elementary School along with others in the east end area are looking for individuals that are committed to maintaining a safe, engaging, and fun environment for school-age youth. Any students 17+ years or older that are looking for a part time job can contact Ashley Langford, Hite Elementary Site Director, YMCA of Greater Louisville, (502)471-0651, [ALangford@ymcalouisville.org](mailto:ALangford@ymcalouisville.org)

Middletown United Methodist Church is looking for students who are interested in childcare. The hours are 3:00pm- 6:00pm Monday- Friday. Call 254-5191 to learn more about this part-time job opportunity.

Learning Express Toys is now hiring. Requirements include \*must be 17 or older \*available for evenings and weekends \*mature and a hard worker \*good with kids \*artistic ability a plus. Email or call for more information: [learningexpressky@gmail.com](mailto:learningexpressky@gmail.com) or 502-254-7774. Learning Express is located at Eastgate Shopping Center, 12619 Shelbyville Road.

