

Good Morning,

I created a parent/guardian distribution list to ensure that families are receiving important senior year information. If you would like to opt out of these messages please send me a separate email at [lauren.smith@k12.wv.us](mailto:lauren.smith@k12.wv.us) (do not reply all), and I will simply remove your email address from further communication. This information has been pushed through a Schoology group called Class of 2021 in which all seniors are added. Also, be sure to follow announcements on our Twitter feed @ONEMHS, visit our news section and the Guidance and Counseling sections of the MHS website, and be sure you are receiving the system wide School Messenger calls that go out to the community.

The Guidance and Counseling tab on the MHS website has a lot of communication under the Class of 2021. Here you will find scholarship information, financial aid, career exploration, community resources, the process for ordering transcripts, and much more. Hopefully you received the letter that went home from the Counseling Department in our return to school mailings. It listed important dates that I will again include below for convenience.

PLEASE DO NOT REPLY TO THIS EMAIL. THIS SERVICE IS MEANT TO BE AN ANNOUNCEMENT ONLY SERVICE. YOU CAN EMAIL ME IN A SEPARATE EMAIL AT [LAUREN.SMITH@K12.WV.US](mailto:LAUREN.SMITH@K12.WV.US) if you would like to ask questions or seek clarification. Please check the website frequently as all updated information will be posted under the Class of 2021 tab.

### **Important Senior Year Dates**

*Please see some important updates for senior students below. Covid may affect some dates below.*

For Class of 2021

October 1, 2020	Promise scholarship application opens on <a href="http://cfwv.com">cfwv.com</a>
October 1, 2020	FAFSA becomes available on <a href="http://fafsa.ed.gov">fafsa.ed.gov</a>
October 14, 2020	SAT School Day at MHS (details at <a href="https://sites.google.com/view/monsatschoolday/home">https://sites.google.com/view/monsatschoolday/home</a> )
September-April	Financial Aid Online Workshops <a href="http://cfwvconnect.com/community-calendar/">http://cfwvconnect.com/community-calendar/</a>
March 1, 2021	Deadline for WVU priority scholarships (Must be admitted by this date)
March 1, 2021	Promise and FAFSA submission deadline
May 22, 2021	MHS Graduation

*\*Please note best practice is to look at university financial aid websites to determine if any other WVU scholarships may have a sooner deadline.*

WVU SCHOLARSHIP CHART LINK BELOW:

<https://admissions.wvu.edu/cost-and-aid/scholarship-chart>

## **Senior Parking Information**

This information can be found by following the steps below:

Visit MHS website

Click Student, then School Forms, then Senior Parking 20-21 School Year

Here is the direct link: <https://mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us/2/Content2/seniorparking2021>

## **Virtual College Fairs**

### **Helpful websites listed below:**

NACAC: National Association for College Admission Counseling

<https://virtualcollegefairs.org/>

WVACRAO: West Virginia Associate of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers

*The multi-week program consists of hundreds of opportunities for students to learn about the college search process and about many different colleges through panel presentations and information sessions.*

*Students will gain a wealth of college knowledge, get exposure to a variety of colleges, and have the opportunity to ask questions of admission counselors, all in a safe, flexible, online environment.*

*All high school students, parents, and counselors throughout West Virginia are all welcome to attend. Participation is free.*

*Students should participate live so they can ask questions and interact with the college admission counselors. If students are unable to attend live, we still encourage them to register for the sessions they are interested in and recordings will be available on the WVACRAO website later.*

<https://www.wvacrao.org/studentaccess>

## **Scholarships**

I created a scholarship bulletin that will be updated throughout senior year. That bulletin, and other scholarship information, can be found by taking the steps below (be sure to check out the bulletin too):

Visit mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us, Click Guidance and Counseling, then Class of 2021, then Class of 2021 Scholarships

Here is a direct link to the page: <https://mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us/2/Content2/classof2021scholarships>

### **Promise**

- The Scholarship Bulletin includes the website to apply for Promise. The Promise Scholarship is for WV students who meet GPA and test criteria. A complete list of criteria can be found at <https://secure.cfwv.com/>

CFWV also includes information about state and federal level financial aid programs.

CFWV CONNECT OFFERS A FREE TEXTING SERVICE: Txt 4 Success provides college counseling for West Virginia students just like you! The class of 2021 can now sign up to receive college tips, information, and reminders via text message! Once you begin receiving text messages from CFWV, can also respond to texts at any time for college help, and one of 50 West Virginia college access advisors will respond. You can opt-out at any time. Join the 27,000 other students who receive texts at <http://www.cfwvconnect.com/txt-4-success/>.

## **Financial Aid Websites**

<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

### **WV 20 21 STATEWIDE FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP SERIES SCHEDULE**

Financial Aid Workshop Series: [https://content.xap.com/media/39551/wv\\_2020-21\\_statewide\\_financial\\_aid\\_workshop\\_series\\_schedule.pdf?fbclid=IwAR1Nd6axPXerJrinBnhfBEGe5uml\\_8R41jxBO2Y9XCKse6g5iH1HUZqT27U&mc\\_cid=44d0cab7c1&mc\\_eid=a69ac2cbbc](https://content.xap.com/media/39551/wv_2020-21_statewide_financial_aid_workshop_series_schedule.pdf?fbclid=IwAR1Nd6axPXerJrinBnhfBEGe5uml_8R41jxBO2Y9XCKse6g5iH1HUZqT27U&mc_cid=44d0cab7c1&mc_eid=a69ac2cbbc)

Financial Aid Updates: <https://mailchi.mp/wvhepc/wv-scholarship-list-and-financial-aid-updates-3363906?e=a69ac2cbbc>

Apply for FAFSA (Free Application Federal Student Aid): <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

FAFSA opens October 1. This application can be completed if you want to receive any state or federal level aid, including scholarships, from a postsecondary institution.

### **Mon County Financial Aid Handbook:**

<https://mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us/2/Content2/2021financialaid>

Visit [mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us](https://mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us), then Guidance and Counseling, then Class of 2021, then Class of 2021 Financial Aid

*A County Wide Financial Aid Handbook is created county wide and updated each year. We are still awaiting the updated version but many of the deadline dates are the same, only a different year. You can get a preview of a lot of important information by viewing the handbook early.*

## **SAT School Day**

- Direct Link: <https://mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us/2/Content2/falltesting2020>
- More information can be found at: [mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us](https://mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us), Click Student, Click Fall Testing 2020

## **Parchment**

All parchment info can be found on MHS website under Guidance and Counseling → Transcript Request

- Direct Link: <https://mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us/2/Content2/708>
- All transcripts must be requested electronically at parchment.com
- Included below are some videos for your convenience. The first is a “How to order your transcript” video and the second is a “How to track your transcript” video.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iCHdokyTQA>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GIINeCL94y0>

## **ACT/SAT**

- You can sign up for ACT at the following site: <https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act.html>
- You can sign up to take the SAT independently from our school at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat>

## **BALFOUR**

Balfour is a company where our seniors can order class rings, graduation caps and gowns, and senior year gear.

- Direct Link: <https://mohigans.mono.k12.wv.us/2/Content2/1618>

Please remember to continue checking our school website, Class of 2021, for updated information throughout senior year. You can join our Class of 2021 email group by completing an OPT IN google form posted under the Class of 2021 site. The link is posted below.

<https://forms.gle/guK9pj3rtazEQk9M7>