



Titan Tidbits

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Mt. Vernon Seniors,

If you need to take or re-take the ACT, here are the 2018-2019 test dates. You can register online at www.actstudent.org. The fee for testing is \$50.50 (no writing test) and you must use a credit or debit card to pay at the time of registration. **Practice ACT questions, detailed answers, and study tips are available for free at www.studyguidezone.com, www.actexampracticetests.com, and on www.SDMyLife.com** Our school code is 420-920.

Test Date	Regular Deadline	Late Fee Required
October 27, 2018	September 28, 2018	Sept 29-Oct 14, 2018
December 8, 2018	November 2, 2018	November 13-19, 2018
February 9, 2019	January 11, 2019	January 12-18, 2019
April 13, 2019	March 8, 2019	March 9-25, 2019
June 8, 2019	May 3, 2019	May 4-20, 2019

Free College Application Week: Oct 29-Nov 2; HS Seniors can apply to up to 3 SD post-secondary institutions free of charge. **HOWEVER**, if you are applying to a program that fills up fast, you may not want to wait that long to apply.

***USD "Fall Open House:"** Saturday, October 13, 2018 or Saturday, November 10, 2018. Spend the morning on campus and attend a Coyote football game that afternoon. Register online at <https://www.usd.edu/admissions/visit/campus-visit-events>

***SDSU "Senior Day":** Saturday, September 15, 2018. Prospective students get lunch and a free pass to the Beef Bowl that night. Register at: <https://www.sdstate.edu/visit-sdsu/senior-day>

***NSU "Northern Bound" Days:** Many dates to choose from. See them at <https://www.northern.edu/admission-aid/visit>

***DWU Visit Days:** Many dates to choose from, some include attending a Tiger football game. Parents are welcome & encouraged to come along with their student. Register at <https://www.dwu.edu/admissions/visit-campus>

***MTI Exploration Day:** Thursday, November 1, 2018; 9:30 – 2:30 pm. Register at <https://www.mitchelltech.edu/exploration-days/exploration-day-registration>

***MTI MyTI Camps:** Register Here: <https://www.mitchelltech.edu/myti-camps>

- Wednesday, October 10, 2018 - Business Camp and Construction Camp
- Wednesday, October 24, 2018 - Ag and Transportation Camp and Cyber Camp
- Wednesday, November 14, 2018 - Energy Camp and Scrubs Camp
- Tuesday, March 5, 2019 - Culinary Camp

SCHOLARSHIPS: Listed below are some common scholarships that seniors typically apply for. Searching the internet will also be helpful in locating scholarships that may apply only to you (or your student). Here are some websites to try:

**www.fastweb.com; www.collegeview.com; www.scholarships.com;
www.finaid.org/scholarships/unusual.phtml**

****Remember:** When searching the web, beware of scholarship scams, which often set up web sites to lure unsuspecting students into paying money to apply for a scholarship or to search for scholarships. You shouldn't have to pay ANY money to search for or receive scholarships.

* **Horatio Alger Scholarship:** These scholarships range in value from \$5,000 to \$20,000. To be eligible to apply students must be planning to pursue a bachelor's or associate's degree, demonstrate critical financial need (\$55,000 or less adjusted gross income per family is required), be involved in co-curricular and community service activities, and have a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher. Students must submit an online application at <https://scholars.horatioalger.org/scholarships/> Deadline is October 25, 2018.

* **Coca-Cola Scholarship:** Students must apply and fill out an on-line application form at <https://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/apply/>. Deadline is October 31, 2013.

* **The Foundation for Individual Rights in Education Scholarship:**

Students must write an in-depth essay responding to this prompt: *Explain in 800-1000 words why free speech is so important to higher education, and why censorship undermines the ideals of liberal education and a free society.* Enter online at <https://www.thefire.org/k12/essay-contest/>. Deadline is December 31, 2018.

* **Prudential Spirit of Community Award:** This \$1,000 award is open to students who have taken part in a volunteer service activity over the past year. Applications and information are available online at <http://spirit.prudential.com>. You will need to apply for a free user name and password. Deadline is November 6, 2018.