



# SAHS Counselor's Monthly News Blast

Your monthly heads-up for what is happening at South High from a counselor's perspective

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## Important Dates

- **9/6**, Labor Day, No School
- **9/21**, College Planning Night (11-12<sup>th</sup> graders)
- **10/1**, PSAT Classroom Visits (Juniors Only)
- **10/4-10/14**, PSAT Sign Up (Juniors Only)
- **10/15**, End of First Quarter
- **10/16**, PSAT (Juniors Only)

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## South High Notices.

- Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! We hope that your student has had a fulfilling first two weeks of school. We saw many of you at the South High Open House and hope that you were able to connect with teachers and get a feel for how your student's day looks.
- Schedule changes are officially over. Please remind your student that they must remain in their current classes until the end of the first semester.

## College/Career

- Now is the time for Seniors to be narrowing their list of colleges/universities/trade schools that they want to apply to for next year. College bound students should consider starting their Common Application.
- South High will administer the ASVAB test on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am. Students can sign up with Mrs. Roberts at the curriculum office.
- South High is hosting a College Planning Night on September 21, 6-7pm. This is geared towards 11-12<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents. Frontier Tutoring will be presenting helpful information on this important process. Students/Parents will need to pre-register for the College Planning Night through Frontier Tutoring. Link to sign up forthcoming.
- The **PSAT** will be offered to SAHS **Juniors only** on Saturday, **October 16**. Counselors will visit all Junior English classes on October 1 to inform students about the PSAT and how to sign up. Sign up and payment runs October 4-14. Students must pay for the PSAT through Parent Connect during the sign-up window. There are a limited number of spots for the PSAT and tests will be awarded on a first come, first serve, basis.
- **All Students**, you want to take a practice SAT, Frontier Tutoring offers free practice SAT's and ACTs. Sign up here: <https://www.frontiertutoring.com/practicetest>
- Looking for scholarships? Visit the AKCIS mega-scholarship site: [www.akcis.org](http://www.akcis.org) Log in with USERNAME asdsouth PASSWORD 4Student. Under the Education tab, there are a few options on scholarships: Alaska scholarships and more. You can sort through tons of scholarships by changing all sorts of variables.
- The next chance for students to take the **SAT** is **October 2** (register by 9/3). Register at [www.sat.org](http://www.sat.org). The next chance for students to take the **ACT** is **October 23** (register by 9/17). Register at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)
- Did you know students can earn **elective credit** through **community service**? See Mr. Christopherson in H206 for more information.

## Counseling Notes

- **Seniors!** If you want your counselor or teacher to write you a letter of recommendation for any college application, you must personally ask them (via email, telephone, or in person). An electronic invitation sent from Common App., SEND EDU, etc., is not sufficient. Give your counselor/teacher at least 2 weeks to complete the letter.