

# Apply Missouri

Helping students find the best fit for higher education.

# College Center

October 2015

# October is Apply Missouri Month!

"Apply Missouri is formerly known as Missouri College Application Week. It is a program inspired by the national program, the American College Application Campaign (ACAC). The national program's roots began with a high school in North Carolina which held the first College Application Week. This event grew to be a state-wide effort in North Carolina and later included the states of Georgia, Tennessee, Colorado, South Carolina, West Virginia and Florida. The American Council on Education then consolidated these efforts with a common, national goal of increasing the percentage of firstgeneration and low-income students who pursue a postsecondary education. The primary purpose of this effort is to help high school seniors

navigate the complex college admissions process and ensure they apply to at least one postsecondary institution. The effort occurs during the school day, with a focus on students who might not otherwise apply to college." –MDHE

http://dhe.mo.gov/ppc/students/a pplymissouriforstudents.php

KEEP CALM AND APPLY TO COLLEGE



This is Van Horn's third year participating in Apply Missouri! Over the course of the month, there will be activities (listed on the next pages) to help create a college going culture with underclassmen, assist seniors and parents with the college going process, and generate excitement and engagement among students about their future after high school.

Our goal is to have each senior apply to at least one college before the end of the month!

# Apply Missouri Events

First Generation Documentary

Showing Location/Time: Auditorium/9AM Description: The documentary *First Generation* will be shown to students during the first half of 4<sup>th</sup> block. This hour long film showcases the journey of 4 first generation college students. It will illustrate to students that they are not alone and how important college is to their future success. Teachers will have the opportunity to sign their class up if they would like to attend.

http://www.gocollegenow.org/



## **October 7**

Johnson County Community College Representative Visit Location/Time: Lunch/11AM Description: Students have the opportunity to meet the JCCC admissions representative and talk about Johnson County Community College and the benefits of the community college pathway.

#### **October 7**

Missouri State University Representative Visit Location/Time: Library/10AM Description: Junior and Senior students that sign up have the opportunity to meet the Missouri State admissions representative. Students will learn about the benefits of attending a public university and have the opportunity to apply to Missouri State if interested. Sign up in College Center!



#### **October 8**

Independence School District College Fair Location/Time: Truman High School / 5:00 PM – 7:30PM Description: Junior and Senior students will have the opportunity to meet 25+ college admissions representatives to learn about what various colleges have to offer. Students can register at: www.gotocollegefairs.com

#### **October 19**

William Jewell College Representative Visit Location/Time: Library/9AM Description: Junior and Senior students that sign up will have the opportunity to meet the William Jewell admissions representative. Students will learn about the benefits of attending a private college and have the opportunity to apply to William Jewell if interested. Sign up in College Center!



#### October 19

Lincoln University Representative Visit Location/Time: 206/1:30PM Description: Junior and Senior students that sign up have the opportunity to meet the Lincoln University admissions representative. Students will learn about the benefits of attending a HBCU (historically black college/university) and have the opportunity to apply to Lincoln University if interested. Sign up in College Center!

## October 21

UMKC Campus Tour Location/Time: UMKC Campus / 8:30AM-12:30PM

Description: Senior students will have the opportunity to spend the day at UMKC, where they will sit through an admissions presentation about what it takes to get into UMKC, a campus tour, and eat lunch with students of UMKC. Applications are available in College Center (MUST have 2.0 GPA, have taken the ACT, Parent Permission, and Teacher Signatures. Limited Spots Available!

### October 22

College Application Blitz Location/Time: 206 / All Day Description: Senior students with a pass will have the opportunity to get assistance with their target, safety, and reach college applications. Students will receive incentives for applying!

COMMON APPLICATION



## October 23

College Application Blitz Location/Time: Library / 7:20AM-1:30PM

**Description:** Senior students with a pass will have the opportunity to get assistance with their target, safety, and reach college applications. Students will receive incentives for applying!

### October 26-October 27

After School College Application Blitz Location/Time: 206/2:30PM-3:30PM

#### **Description:** Before

Parent/Teacher Conferences, seniors are invited to get one-onone help with applying to colleges. Snacks will be provided.



#### October 26 Senior College Planning / Scholarship Night Location/Time: Little Theatre/ 6PM-7PM

**Description:** During Parent/Teacher Conferences, senior parents will be able to learn about the college process and be introduced to the ISD Foundation Scholarships.



#### Jumpstart Metropolitan Community College Location/Time: MCC-Blue River / 6PM-8:30PM

**Description:** This college and career showcase will provide an overview of MCC degree and certification programs, financial aid, and admissions information. Enjoy our break-out sessions, the opportunity to meet the administration, faculty, explore student resources, and take a campus tour. **Students can register at:** 

http://www.mcckc.edu/explore/ campuses/blueriver/visit.asp

### October 29

Donnelly College Admissions Representative Location/Time: 206/9AM Description: Students have the

opportunity to meet the Donnelly admissions representative and talk about Donnelly College, the benefits of community college, and post-secondary options for DACA/undocumented students. Students that are interested will have the opportunity to sign up for a campus tour of Donnelly for the next week.



Apply Missouri Pizza Party! Location/Time: 206/Lunch Description: We want to congratulate every senior for their hard work! Every student that applied to 2+ colleges will be invited to a Pizza Party during their assigned lunch shift with Ms. Meyer. Raffles will be done in each lunch shift!



Van Horn senior, Domonique Winston II, has applied and has been accepted to Kansas State and University of Central Missouri.

## **Other Hot Topics!**

## **Scholarships**

Most scholarships do not start until later in the semester, or Spring semester! If you would like your student to start on scholarship searches, have them check out the following sites:

- <u>http://www.fastweb.com/</u>
- <u>https://bigfuture.collegebo</u> ard.org/scholarship-search
- <u>https://www.scholarships.c</u> om/
- http://schoolsoup.com/

## Some scholarships with October deadlines:

 <u>http://jlvcollegecounseling.</u> <u>com/2015/08/25/scholarshi</u> <u>ps-with-october-2015-</u> <u>deadlines/</u>

Once more scholarships come my way, I will advertise them to your student!

#### **Deadlines!**

Students that are interested in applying to schools in Kansas should do so BEFORE NOVEMBER 1st for the most scholarship opportunities!

College Adviser Contact Information Katie Meyer 816-521-5599 Ext 17523 Katie meyer@isdschools.org http://sites.isdschools.org//katie\_mey <u>er/</u>



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Please reach out to me for questions/concerns! We are a team!