

School Counseling Office News
Weeks of November 28 and December 5

*****PSAT 10- March 15, 2017*** Due Nov. 30!!**

Sophomore parents/guardians were mailed home information and a registration form for the PSAT10 to be administered to grade 10 students opting to take this practice SAT. Please reach out to your child's School Counselor if you have any questions regarding the PSAT or go online to www.collegeboard.com/parents. **Forms and fee are due back to Mrs. Hart before Nov. 30th.**

Alumni Day - Wednesday, December 21, 2016

Wamogo Regional High School would like to invite members of the class of 2016 to participate in our annual Alumni Day to be held on Wednesday, December 21st, from 11:15 - 2:20 pm. Wamogo has a tradition where alumni return to their alma mater to share experiences that are intended to motivate current Wamogo students to achieve success after high school.

If you are interested in sharing your experiences with Wamogo students on Alumni Visitation Day, please complete the online registration form by December 8, 2016.

https://docs.google.com/a/rsd6.org/forms/d/1sIfrQMbpX8VplmlG1lHi_WXnCmLcOnujL0q_UQnxNLQ/edit

Advanced registration is required for attendance and the completed form must be received by December 8, 2016. We will send you confirmation of your registration as well as a schedule for the day by December 19th. Alumni will be expected to arrive by 11:00 am on Wednesday, December 21st and report to the School Counseling Office.

Lunch will be provided from 12:00 - 12:45 pm. **Space is limited**, so please do not delay. Interested students are asked to complete the registration form no later than December 8th.

IMPORTANT FAFSA INFORMATION

Many of you are aware about the change in completing the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**. Students and parents were able to complete their FAFSA beginning October 1, 2016, much earlier than in the past. Several million students already have their FAFSA filed for the fall of 2017.

From the Federal Website: Starting with the 2017–18 FAFSA, the application is available earlier and requests prior-prior-year income information.

- The 2017–18 FAFSA became available for applicants to fill out beginning on Oct. 1, 2016. This is three months earlier than the traditional FAFSA launch date of Jan. 1.
- The October launch date will continue in subsequent years.

The 2017–18 FAFSA requests **2015** tax returns. Traditionally, the FAFSA has requested information from the tax return due near the beginning of the application cycle. For instance, the 2016–17 FAFSA requires 2015 tax information, which some applicants did not have available in time for school or state deadlines that fell early in 2016. Subsequent FAFSAs will request data from tax returns that should already have been filed (prior-prior-year), simplifying the process for applicants.

Click below to see how your high school seniors are doing in completing their FAFSA and get the word out! Students with questions should reach out to the Financial Aid Office at their college of choice.

Many colleges and universities have made their deadlines much earlier to comply with this national initiative so the normal deadlines you are used to, may no longer be valid.

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/about/data-center/student/application-volume/fafsa-completion-high-school>
<https://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov/tk/announcement-detail.jsp?id=2017-18-fafsa-changes>

**** Students are reminded to check their school email regularly for important updates and information from the School Counseling Office!****