

Hello, Seniors!

Happy New Year! Welcome to the January 2020 issue of your Senior Bulletin! By this point, you've wrapped up your Fall semester and entered into your last semester at Cardinal Ritter. We hope this continues to be an exciting time for all of you as you prepare for a new chapter in your lives. Your Guidance Counselors are still here to help along the way. Lastly, here are some reminders to guide you as you get ready to rock this Spring semester:

- Continue searching & applying for scholarships \$\$\$
- Complete the FAFSA (if applicable) - deadline April 15, 2020
- Please see information regarding **Military Selective Service requirements** under **Additional Information**.
- Any major schedule changes you would like to make should be checked with the college you plan to attend.
- DON'T LET SENIORITIS KICK IN. Know the symptoms and be proactive in preventing this contagious mindset that afflicts thousands of seniors nationwide. Learn more in the **Additional Information** section.

As you continue to get your acceptance and/or scholarship letters, bring copies of them to the Guidance Office and we will add them to the senior bulletin. Please stop by Guidance if you have questions, concerns, celebrations, or really anything! We're here for you. 😊

Sincerely,

Ms. Schaefer
Guidance Intern

SENIOR BULLETIN

January 2020

CLASS OF 2020 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES:

***As you get your college acceptance offers, bring in your letter so we can recognize you in the Sr. Bulletin!*

Faith Abatayo -

University of Indianapolis
Marian University
Butler University
University of Dayton
Saint Louis University
Loyola University Chicago
Saint Mary's College
Xavier University

Dema Amro -

University of Michigan-Dearborn
IUPUI
Manchester University
Xavier University
DePauw University
University of Detroit Mercy
Michigan State University

Elijah Bush -

University of Minnesota Twin Cities
University of Dayton

Isabella Fenzel -

University of Indianapolis
University of Southern Indiana
Ball State University

Robiel Fisshaye -

Indiana University
University of Indianapolis
IUPUI - School of Science

Ethyn Fleischmann -

Vincennes University

Alaya Frazee -

University of Indianapolis

Elie Gerth -	University of Indianapolis Marian University IUPUI Ball State University
Gabriella Hicks -	Goshen College
Kailyn Hunter -	University of Indianapolis
Annie Kluemper -	Franklin College
Austin Leiter -	University of Indianapolis
Kenneth (K.J.) Majors-	Indiana State University Northern Kentucky University
Parker Mead -	Western Kentucky University Western Illinois University
Estefania Medina -	University of Indianapolis Manchester University
Jonathan Miles -	University of Indianapolis Vincennes University Indiana State University
Liliana Passarelli -	Indiana State University
Aiden Robinson -	Ball State Indiana State University IUPUI Kentucky State University University of Dayton Norfolk State University
Michelle Rodriguez-Silva -	Ball State University Ivy Tech

	Indiana State University Vincennes University University of Dayton
Jennifer Rosales -	Goshen College
Nicholas Salmon -	Indiana University Michigan State University
Jacob Schelonka -	University of Indianapolis University of Dayton Marian University Wabash College Bellarmino University Xavier University Butler University
Julia Sheringer -	Baldwin Wallace University University of Indianapolis
Stephanie Tapia-	University of Indianapolis
Johnathan Tune-	Texas A&M University
Emilia Valle -	Marian University Xavier University
Linsey Waggoner -	Hanover College
Amya Watkins -	Vincennes University Indiana State University
Mariah Wehrle -	North Central College Bradley University Indiana University
MaryAnna Wehrle -	U.S. Military Academy at West Point

Connor Williams- LIFT Academy

Jacob Young - University of Indianapolis

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO CLASS OF 2020:

***As you get scholarships and financial aid award offers, tell your guidance counselor so we can recognize you in the Sr. Bulletin!*

Faith Abatayo - Marian University
University of Indianapolis
Butler University
Saint Louis University
Loyola University Chicago
Saint Mary's College
Xavier University

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Xavier University
DePauw University
Michigan State University

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Mariah Wehrle -	North Central College Bradley University

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

College Scholarships:

1. Opportunity Scholarship - Program of TheDream.us

- Scholarship opportunity for DREAMers that will cover tuition, fees, on campus housing and meals at a *Partner College* up to a maximum of \$80,000.00. Certain eligibility criteria apply.
- Read about the scholarship and partner colleges [HERE](#).
- **Deadline: January 30th 2020**

2. El Dabe Scholarship

- El Dabe Ritter Law awards 2 annual scholarships of \$1,500 to applicants enrolled in an accredited university and who have a minimum GPA of 3.0.

To apply, submit a 500 word essay and your unofficial transcript to scholarship@erlawyers.com

- Find essay prompt and more information [HERE](#).
- **Application Deadline: June 20th, 2020**

3. **Central Indiana Community Foundation (CICF) Scholarships**

- CICF serves Marion and Hamilton County students to provide scholarships that are impactful and renewable to increase students' chances of academic and financial success.
- For information about the application process and available scholarships, click [HERE](#).
- **Application for General Scholarships OPENS: Nov. 12, 2019**
- **Application CLOSES: Feb. 5, 2020**

4. **College Board - Opportunity Scholarships**

- Complete a series of 6 Steps in a program created by College Board to help guide you as you apply to college. For each step you complete, you are eligible to earn a scholarship ranging from \$500-\$2,000.. If you complete all 6 Steps, you are entered to win \$40,000.
- Click [HERE](#) to learn more about the program and [HERE](#) for a video about this opportunity.
- **Deadlines vary** for each individual step/scholarship. ***To be eligible for \$40,000, complete all steps by midnight October 31st.***

5. **Silver Pen Writing Competition**

- Stratford retirement community is offering the Silver Pen writing competition for the 2019-2020 academic year. All high school seniors attending school within 25 miles of Stratford are eligible to apply (That's you, Raiders!!). There is no GPA requirement for this competition. 1st place receives \$2,500., 2nd place receives \$750 and 3rd receives \$500.
- **To apply:** Submit an application, copy of transcript, and an essay (1000 word min) responding to the prompt "If money was no object, would it change your educational and career future plans?"
- **Contact:** MRuona@Maxwell-Group.com or (704) 815-7334 for more information.
- **Deadline: February 14th, 2020.**

6. **FastWeb - resource** for scholarship searching

- Scholarship database that will match you to scholarships based on your profile. This is a FREE resource to search for scholarships that you may qualify for.
- **Learn more & create an account** [HERE](#).

7. **S.C.W. DREAMers Scholarship**

- This is a \$2,500 scholarship for a High School Senior or undergraduate United States DREAMer who will be attending college Fall 2020. This scholarship is judged and awarded primarily on merit and need.
 - Find more information and apply [HERE](#).
 - **Deadline: June 30, 2020**
- 8. 2020 Ancient Order of Hibernians Scholarships (AOH)**
- AOH has 3 scholarship opportunities for students to apply. Each scholarship awards \$1,500 to high school seniors who demonstrate financial need, extracurricular activities, Irish heritage and involvement in the church community and Irish culture.
 - In order to apply, students must write and submit letter (3 page maximum) to Patrick Miles at 1911 Southern Ave. Beech Grove, IN 46107.
 - Click [HERE](#) for a description and how to apply.
 - **Application Deadline: Sunday, Feb. 15th 2020.**
- 9. AT&T 2020 oxyGEN Scholarship**
- Scholarship opportunity recognizing student's ability to demonstrate critical and creative thinking by effectively communicating the importance of a STEM topic of their choice and their ability to make an impact in their field.
 - Application criteria include: submitting a 3-5 minute video on a STEM topic of your choice, enrollment in an accredited (2-year or 4-year) undergraduate program within the US for the 2020-2021 academic year, and you must be a US citizen.
 - Find more information [HERE](#)
 - **Application deadline: February 28th, 2020.**

*Find a list of *unusual* scholarship opportunities [HERE](#).

University *Specific* Scholarships:

- 1. Baylor University - Gettermen Scholars Program & App Deadline**
 - **Gettermen Scholars Program** - opportunity for high achieving students across all academic disciplines and valued at approximately \$60,000, renewable per year. Interested students should apply by **November 1st**. Learn more [HERE](#).
 - **Regular Admission Deadline - February 1st.**
- 2. Gettysburg College - Eisenhower Scholarship**

- **Eisenhower Scholarship** - The university's most selective scholarship, providing \$160,000 for 4 years of full-time study (\$40,000 per year). Find more information about the scholarship and application process [HERE](#).
- Additional **Merit Scholarships** under Early Decision and Regular Decision applications. A separate application is *not* required to be considered for the following:
 - i. **Abraham Lincoln Scholarship** - \$32,000 per year
 - ii. **Presidential Scholarship** - \$27,000 per year
 - iii. **David Wills Scholarship** - \$24,000 per year
 - iv. **1832 Founders Scholarship** - \$15,000 per year
- 3. **Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) - SCAD Challenge**
 - Juniors and Seniors are encouraged to put their artistic vision on display by submitting a work of art to be considered for a scholarship to SCAD University. Several categories of art are accepted and listed online.
 - Application and SCAD entry **deadline: 5:30 P.M. Feb 17th 2020**
 - Find more details about submitting your art piece for consideration [HERE](#).
- 4. **Seton Hall University - Scholarships**
 - Seton Hall offers numerous scholarships and grants to help make college affordable. Complete the Special Scholarship application [HERE](#).
 - **Deadline - January 15, 2020**
- 5. **Western Colorado University - Merit Scholarship for out-of-state students**
 - Every out-of-state student who applies at Western Colorado is considered for a Merit Scholarship worth between \$8,000 - \$10,000. The amount is based on student's GPA and ACT/SAT scores.
 - See the University's [Net Price Calculator](#) to determine eligibility.
- 6. **Carver Teaching Initiative for (CTI) IUPUI or IVY TECH**
 - CTI is a scholarship and career development program dedicated to recruiting, retaining, and supporting high-achieving underrepresented minority groups in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) teaching careers. *Program benefits include:* up to \$33,000 in scholarship support, paid internships, professional networking opportunities and assistance with job placement upon graduation.
 - Learn more and begin your application [HERE](#).
- 7. **Georgia State's Goizueta Foundation Scholarship**
 - Scholarship for students *admitted* to Georgia State University. This scholarship opportunity is intended for students of Hispanic/Latinx heritage and provides \$10,000/per year to the student's account, eligibility to study abroad and mentors.

- Students may apply online but you must have 1st been admitted to the University. Additional eligibility requirements include: applying to be a Freshman Fall 2020, completing the FAFSA by March 1st, and having a cumulative GPA of 3.00.
 - More information can be found [HERE](#).
 - **University Application Deadline:** February 7th, 2020
 - **Scholarship Application Deadline:** February 28th, 2020
- 8. University of Southern Indiana (USI) Alumni Association Scholarships**
- *To qualify for the following scholarships, students must 1st be admitted to USI.*
 - ***Leadership Award*** – Provides \$1,500 to an Indiana high school senior who demonstrates the ideals of leadership.
 - ***Greater Indianapolis Chapter Scholarship*** – A \$3,000 (\$750 per year for 4 years) scholarship for a high school senior from Marion, Johnson, Morgan, Hendricks, Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Brown, Putnam or Shelby county who embodies the philosophy of education as a lifelong process.
 - **Scholarship Application Deadline: March 8th, 2020**
 - Click [HERE](#) for more information.
- 9. USI Art Scholarships**
- ***Dubois County Chapter Scholarship*** – A scholarship of \$500-\$2,500 annually awarded to incoming students majoring in art or art education to be used for tuition.
 - **Scholarship Application Deadline: February 7th, 2020**
 - Click [HERE](#) for more information.
- 10. University of Indianapolis Foundational Pillar Scholarship**
- 2020 Graduates of Cardinal Ritter who are admissible as full-time undergraduate students at the University of Indianapolis are eligible to apply for 1 of 10 UIndy Foundational Pillar Scholarships ranging from \$17,000 – \$22,000.
 - To apply students must: Complete UIndy Application for Admission, Complete UIndy Foundational Pillar Scholarship Essay, and complete the FAFSA.
 - To apply and learn more visit [HERE](#)
 - **Deadline to apply: February 1st, 2020**

COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE/ADMISSIONS INFORMATION:

- 1. The American Musical and Dramatic Academy (AMDA)**

- a. Students looking a career in theatre, film, television, and dance may be interested in AMDA! National Auditions are being held in Indianapolis, IN on **Sat. Feb. 8th. 2020.** Call the Admissions department at 800-367-7908
 - b. Find more information about the schools and programs [HERE.](#)
- 2. University of Southern Indiana (USI)**
 - a. Lunes de Latinos:
 - Febrero 24
 - b. Health Professions Day(s):
 - March 28
 - c. For more information, visit - <https://www.usi.edu/schedule-a-visit/>
 - d. **Deadline to file FAFSA for Indiana State Aid - April 15th**
- 3. Indiana University (IU) Bloomington**
 - a. Application Deadline (for highest scholarship consideration): **November 1st.**
 - b. **Regular Decision Deadline: Feb. 1st, 2020.**
- 4. University of Minnesota - Key Dates**
 - a. **Freshman Nursing Program** Application Deadline - **November 8th.** You must also complete the freshman application to the university by **November 1st** to be considered for the nursing program.
 - b. **Regular** deadline - **January 1st.** Recipients will be informed by March 31st.
- 5. Rice University - Application deadlines**
 - a. Early Decision - **November 1st.**
 - b. Regular Decision - **January 1st.**
 - c. Regardless of the application round you choose, students applying to Rice will be considered for all financial aid opportunities including need and merit based scholarships.
- 6. Western Illinois University - open house(s)**
 - a. Visit WIU to tour the Macomb or Quad Cities campus, meet academic and student services staff, and talk with current students.
 - b. **Macomb Campus dates:** February 17th
 - c. **Quad Cities Campus dates:** February 29th
 - d. Find more information and register [HERE.](#)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Military Selective Service Requirement

- Seniors, under the *Military Selective Service Act, 50 U.S.C. 3801-3820* **Almost all male U.S. Citizens and male immigrants are required to register for selective service** beginning 30 days prior to their 18th birthday and extending to your 26th birthday.
- Please know that ***just because you are registered, that does not mean you will be inducted into the military.*** In the event of a crisis requiring a draft, men would be called in a random sequence determined by lottery number and birth year.
- Find more information and register [HERE](#).

Senioritis – Know the signs and how to avoid it.

- Defined as a supposed affliction of students in their final year of high school or college, characterized by a decline in motivation or performance.
- **Common Symptoms (may include but are not limited to):** Mild to moderate cases of staring out the window, swollen ego, homework fatigue, short-term memory loss, excessive tardiness, classroom intolerance and excessive hallway wandering.
- **5 Ways to Avoid Senioritis**
 - a. **Stay Focused** – Focus on why you *should* be in school, instead of focusing on why you shouldn't.
 - b. **Stay Organized** – Be aware of deadlines for assignments and keep up with your schedule during and after school.
 - c. **Keep Your Eyes on the Prize** – Graduation is a few months away *but* you must pass your classes to graduate. So keep your grades up!
 - d. **Remember All the Hard Work** – Don't let 12 years of academic struggles and all of your hard work go to waste simply because you're tired of being.
 - e. **Colleges Can Change Their Minds** – A college still has the option of withdrawing an acceptance if your academic performance is not consistent with what it was when you applied.

Just remember, it's almost over, but it's not over yet. Keep your head in the game.

SAT TEST DATES AND REGISTRATION DEADLINES:

2019–2020 SAT Test Dates	Registration Deadline	**Late Registration Deadline. Late fee applies
MARCH 14, 2020	FEBRUARY 14, 2020	MARCH 3, 2020
MAY 2, 2020	APRIL 3, 2020	APRIL 21, 2020

Your school code is **151658**

Visit <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat> for more information and registration.

ACT TEST DATES AND REGISTRATION DEADLINES:

2019–2020 ACT Test Dates	Registration Deadline	**Late Registration Deadline. Late fee applies
FEBRUARY 8, 2020	JANUARY 10, 2020	JANUARY 17, 2020
APRIL 4, 2020	FEBRUARY 28, 2020	MARCH 13, 2020
JUNE 13, 2020	MAY 8, 2020	MAY 22, 2020

School code: **151658**

Visit <http://www.act.org> for more information and registration.