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**COLLEGE KICK-OFF NIGHT**  
**February 2, 7:00 p.m.**

## A MUST FOR ALL JUNIORS!

All students and parents are invited to attend this information-filled program hosted by your counselors. Among materials you will receive is our "Road to Your Future" booklet. The program will feature a question-and-answer session with a panel of college admissions officers. The college representatives will not focus on their colleges, but will address the general selection and application process that colleges use. This is a very important meeting for **all juniors** and their parents, but freshmen and sophomores are welcome to attend.

### Spiritual Emphasis Week

January 25 - 28

### Career Day

Friday, January 29

### College Kick-Off Night

Tuesday, February 2

### Science Fair

Friday, February 5

## Career Day 2010!

Spiritual Emphasis week is always highly anticipated by CAL students. This year the theme is "Surviving in Him." We will conclude the week with a focus on learning about careers and what opportunities you might have to serve God within those careers.

On January 29, we will have over 50 career professionals coming to present their vocations to our students. The morning will start off with a general assembly featuring guest speaker Scott Reynolds. He will

share with us the opportunities he has had to serve God in his profession.

Students have registered online for four careers in which they are interested. They will attend 30 minute sessions with professionals representing those careers. Students will be dismissed at 12:10 p.m. to attend their career shadowing opportunities. Students must complete the shadowing forms and turn them into their Bible teacher by February 15.



# Senior Announcements

- The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) needs to be completed to be eligible for financial aid at most colleges.
- Apply for scholarships.
- The scholarships that come through our office are in a database. Binders with listings of all these scholarships may be checked out from the high school office. Keep up with scholarship deadlines.
- Scholarships are announced **daily**. Check the school website.
- As you begin to receive scholarship offers, **bring a copy** of the offer to your counselor. **We want all offers, even those you do not accept.**
- Turn in your service hours.
- Visit [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com) to see if your KEES money is up-to-date.
- College Goal Sunday, January 31, 2010.
- Louisville National College Fair, February 27, 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the Louisville International Convention Center, go to [www.gotomyncf.com](http://www.gotomyncf.com) for more information.

## IT'S FREE

You can apply for financial aid online by logging on to [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov), and it's FREE! You'll get your results faster, so your college may be able to notify you sooner, if you qualify. Answers are edited automatically, so you'll make fewer mistakes. You, or your parents, can also get your personal ID number to complete the FAFSA, by going to [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov). This form needs to be completed to be eligible for any financial aid.

# Junior Announcements

- **College Kick-Off Night:** Tuesday, February 2, 7:00 PM.
- You should have received your PSAT results. Contact your counselor if you have questions.
- **Plan NOW to take the ACT and SAT on one of the dates listed below.**
- Start thinking about taking a test prep class or using an online program to get ready for the ACT/SAT.
- Your grades as juniors are very important. Work hard!
- Turn in your service hours.
- **Congratulations** to our Governor's Scholars nominees: Andrew Casciato, Garrett Gamble, Tyler Karnes, Paige Kirk, Haaken Magnuson, Kyle Parks, Justin Weiss, and Drew Wilder.

CAL ACT Prep Classes:  
Saturday, March 13 & 20  
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

## Prepare Yourself For College

- **Plan a college visit over one of the vacation breaks during the spring semester.**
- Check out summer educational opportunities offered at college campuses during the summer. Feel free to browse through the file in the office.

## ACT/SAT Spring Dates

ACT Test:	SAT Test:
February 6, 2010	March 13, 2010
April 10, 2010	May 1, 2010
June 12, 2010	June 5, 2010

To register for ACT: Visit [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). For the SAT go to [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com).  
CAL School Code:  
181-523

# College Goal Sunday



January 31 is College Goal Sunday where the Kentucky Association of Student Financial Aid Administration offers free help to college-bound students and their families in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), the federal financial aid form required by educational institutions nationwide. This event will take place at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 31 at both Male High School and Jefferson Community and Technical College Downtown. Bring your 2009 income tax information or your W-2 forms. Visit [www.kasfaa.com](http://www.kasfaa.com) for more information.

## Sophomore Announcements

- The PLAN results give detailed career interest inventory results as well as educational information to help raise sophomores' ACT scores.
- Record your service hours, not just the required amount, and turn your service hour forms into your counselor for approval.
- See your counselor if you need help with organization or study skills.
- Consider getting on some college mailing lists. See counselors for addresses or go online. Determine the five qualities you most desire in a college.
- **College Kick-Off Night is February 2 at 7:00 PM. Consider attending with your student.**
- If you plan to take Honors Precalculus next year and want to earn college credit you need to take the ACT by June 2010. Along with the ACES program at Bellarmine University we offer a dual enrollment opportunity.



## Freshman Announcements

- Get involved in extra-curricular activities. Through special interest groups such as clubs, athletics, music, and service you will have the opportunity to make new friends, learn valuable skills, and help others. Remember, being part of and making significant contributions to two or three groups is usually better than joining several and "spreading yourself too thin."
- Record all your service hours, not just the required amount, and turn your service hour forms in to your counselors for approval.
- See your counselor if you need help with organization or study skills.
- Your grades are important, study hard!
- **College Kick-Off Night is February 2 at 7:00. You are welcome to attend.**
- Stanford Achievement Test will be administered to all freshmen on March 30 & 31.

## Soul Care



**"Surviving in Him" is the theme for Spiritual Emphasis Week 2010.**

**Our purpose is to offer students opportunities to gain (or regain) a spiritually healthy perspective on living through values centered on the teachings of Jesus Christ.**

**You can find a full explanation of the events for the week on the CAL website. Each day the students will be involved in worship and hear a challenging message from a CAL alumnus.**

**College Kick-Off**  
**Tuesday, February 3**  
**7:00 PM**

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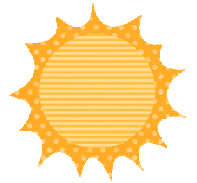
**Balloon Day**



Support the Senior Class  
 of 2010

February 11 is the date...Watch for the mailing, coming soon!

## Summer Educational Opportunities



There are countless educational opportunities and summer programs offered throughout the United States and other countries. **Many are on file in the high school office** (also listed in the scholarship database). Feel free to browse through this file in the office or check out the binder which lists all of them. A few are highlighted below:

- BASE (Business and Accounting Summer Education) Camp: June 6 - 10. Free to Kentucky juniors and seniors at Bellarmine University--go to [cpa2be.org](http://cpa2be.org) or call 502-266-5272.
- 2010 Congressional Student Leadership Conference--for more information check out [www.lead-america.org](http://www.lead-america.org).
- National Student Leadership Conference--check out [www.nslcleaders.org](http://www.nslcleaders.org).
- National Young Leaders Conference--go to [www.nylc.org](http://www.nylc.org).
- National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine--[www.nylf.org](http://www.nylf.org).
- Commonwealth Honors Academy (at Murray State University)--check out [www.murraystate.edu](http://www.murraystate.edu). Three week (free) honors program where a student can earn six hours college credit.
- PAVE -- Vanderbilt University's six week summer program for engineering, pre-med, or science of technology program. Check out--<https://pave.vanderbilt.edu>.
- Presidential Classroom--go to [www.presidentialclassroom.org](http://www.presidentialclassroom.org).



## Upcoming Events :

- January 25-28 Spiritual Emphasis Week
- January 29 Career Day
- February 2 College Kick-Off Night 7:00 PM
- February 11 Balloon Day
- February 12 & 15 No School
- March 5 & 6 Spring Play, "Hello Dolly"
- March 13 & 20 ACT Prep Classes
- March 29-April 1 Senior Trip
- April 5-9 Spring Break



### Mark your calendar for these special days:

- Second Semester Exams: May 25 - 27. Please plan family trips after May 27.
- High School Awards: May 17, 6:30 PM
- Graduation Practice: May 27, 1:30 PM (SECC)
- Baccalaureate: May 27, 7:00 PM (CAL)
- 2010 Graduation: May 28, 7:00 PM (SECC)