

Guidance Highlights
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The Guidance Highlights is a monthly newsletter from the Guidance Office to help to keep the juniors and seniors (and their parents) informed about important events. Students, please make sure that you share this information with your parents!

1st Annual Red Clay College Fair

All Red Clay secondary students (grades 6-12) and their families are encouraged to attend the Red Clay Consolidated School District's College Fair that is set for *Wednesday, January 27, 2010* at Conrad Schools of Science from 6:15-8:15 p.m. There will be approximately 50 colleges, universities, and technical programs in attendance. Attendees will also have the opportunity to go to workshops on important topics, such as College Admissions, Student Success Plans, PSAT and SAT testing, and Financial Aid. This event is free, and refreshments will be served. Please join us for this highly informative night!

SAT Test Dates: 2009-2010

Students can register at www.collegeboard.com

<i>Test Date</i>	<i>Regular Registration Deadline</i>	<i>Late Registration Deadline</i>
January 23, 2010	December 15, 2009	December 30, 2009
March 13, 2010	February 4, 2010	February 18, 2010
May 1, 2010	March 25, 2010	April 8, 2010
June 5, 2010	April 29, 2010	May 13, 2010

ACT Test Dates: 2009-2010

Students can register at www.actstudent.org

<i>Test Date</i>	<i>Regular Registration Deadline</i>	<i>Late Registration Deadline</i>
February 6, 2010	January 5, 2010	January 15, 2010
April 10, 2010	March 5, 2010	March 19, 2010
June 12, 2010	May 7, 2010	May 21, 2010

Scholarships and Financial Aid Information

Applications for the scholarships listed below can be found in the Guidance Office (unless it is an online application). For any scholarships that require a nomination, students should see Mr. Jarrett for more information.

1. ***City of Wilmington's 2010 Academic Scholarship Application***

Open to seniors who live within the City of Wilmington limits. Applicants must show proof of acceptance in a four-year accredited college/university. Students must have a minimum 2.5 GPA and also demonstrated strong leadership skills and a dedication to public and community service. Applications are available in the Guidance Office. Deadline: 4/15/2010.

2. ***The DuPont Challenge 2010 Science Essay Competition***

Open to 7th-12th grade students. Applicants must research and write a 700 to 1000 word essay about a scientific discovery, theory, event, or technological application. Deadline for entries is 1/31/2010. For more information, visit www.thechallenge.dupont.com

3. ***Boden Award for Excellence in Writing***

Open to 11th grade female students in Delaware. Applicants must send in 3-5 typed pages of original work in any genre (poetry, fiction, or creative non-fiction). Students may also submit work in more than one genre. Each packet must include an anonymous cover page and a completed copy of the submission form. Send submissions to boden_award@rocketmail.com or mail to Boden Award, P.O. Box 575, Hockessin, DE 19707. Deadline: 2/15/2010.

4. ***Private Scholarships administered by Delaware Higher Education Commission:***

- a. **Delaware Solid Waste Authority's John P. Healy Scholarship:**
Deadline: 3/12/2010
- b. **First State Manufactured Housing Association Scholarship:**
Deadline: 4/9/2010
- c. **Port of Wilmington Maritime Society Scholarship:**
Deadline: 4/23/2010.

Students can apply online at www.doe.k12.de.us/high-ed/student/login.aspx

5. ***AAUW Scholarship***

Open to female seniors who are planning to pursue a bachelor's degree. Students can get copies of the application at www.aauwwilmington.org. Deadline: 2/19/2010.

6. ***Delaware School Nutrition Association Scholarship***

Open to seniors who are planning to pursue a college major in Nutrition or Food Service Management. Deadline: 3/31/2010.

7. ***Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) Scholarships***

- a. ***RMHC Scholars:*** Open to seniors of all backgrounds.
- b. ***RMHC/Future Achievers:*** Open to African-American high school seniors.
- c. ***RMHC/HACER:*** Open to Latino high school seniors.

Applications are available at <http://rmhc.org/what-we-do/rmhc-u-s-scholarships/>.