Seton Guidance Corner

September 22, 2022

What's the Real Cost of College?

Take advantage of this virtual presentation to learn how to save, plan, and pay for college. Topics include:

- Saving for college it is never too late!
- How to select a college and how much it will cost
- FAFSA what, why and how
- Understanding a financial aid offer
- How to find and apply for scholarships and grants (Free money!)
- Education loan options
- Free tools and resources to make the process easier

To access the recording, visit

https://salliemaebank.webex.com/salliemaebank/lsr.php?RCID=ea5476888bbba32117d9fa030222e3c3

CLT, SAT, and ACT Registration Deadlines Coming Up

CLT Test Date - October 15 (Remotely Proctored)

Registration Deadline - October 10

Click <u>here</u> to register.

Signup for CLT's free practice test.

SAT Test Date – November 5

Registration Deadline – October 7

Click <u>here</u> to register.

Signup for Kahn Academy's free SAT practice test.

ACT Test Date – December 10

Registration Deadline - November 4

Click <u>here</u> to register.

Signup for free ACT test prep.

Sign up for Kaplan's Free SAT Question of the Day

Make practicing for the SAT a daily habit by getting an SAT question—with detailed answer explanations—in your inbox every day. Visit http://kaplanquizzes.com/sat/ to sign up.

Need a Letter of Recommendation?

Whether you need a Letter of Recommendation for a college, scholarship, program, or job application, click <u>here</u> for helpful guidelines on requesting an LOR.

Upcoming College Visits at Seton

Tuesday, September 27 – Belmont Abbey College

Tuesday, October 4 – University of Dallas

Tuesday, October 11 - Benedictine College

Thursday, October 13 – Franciscan University

Tuesday, October 18 – Catholic University

Students are encouraged to stop by the table that will be set up in the main entrance lobby during lunch and take advantage of this great opportunity to meet with visiting admissions representatives and ask any questions they may have (i.e. admission requirements, majors, scholarships, financial aid, sports, etc.).

Cardinal Newman Society - Recommended Catholic Colleges

Over the next several weeks, the Seton Guidance Corner will highlight a recommended college by the Cardinal Newman Society. This month's feature is **Belmont Abbey College**.

Year Founded: 1876 Location: Belmont, NC Number of Students: 1,507 Number of Majors: 25+

In 1876, Benedictine monks planted their roots in North Carolina and built the first and only abbey cathedral in the history of the U.S. The monks' faith and perseverance remain evident at Belmont Abbey College, which is under the direct ownership of the Benedictine monastery.

Belmont Abbey offers over 25 majors, with a balance between liberal arts and career-oriented programs. The College has a comprehensive, liberal arts core curriculum including two Catholic theology and two philosophy courses. Its variety of majors includes Business Management, Psychology, Biology, Elementary Education, and a new nursing program in collaboration with a hospital under construction near campus. Motorsport management is also a very popular major, in part because of the nearby NASCAR headquarters.

Students have access to more than 25 student clubs and organizations. Belmont Abbey also has 41 sports teams competing in NCAA Division II of the Conference Carolinas.

With a basilica right on campus, students are offered daily opportunities to pray with the monks, and activities sponsored by the campus ministry to include local service projects, mission trips, student-led music ministry, Bible studies, and retreats on campus.

(https://belmontabbeycollege.edu/ and https://cardinalnewmansociety.org/college/ave-maria-university/)

Scholarship Opportunities

Expand Your Horizons Scholarship

Amount: \$2,000

Deadline: September 30, 2022

https://bold.org/scholarships/expandyourhorizons/

*Please note, opportunities in the Guidance Corner are not endorsements of the programs. They are shared as options for students and parents to carefully consider.