

Seton Guidance Corner

March 2, 2023

Course Scheduling Starts Next Week for the 2023-24 Academic Year

Tuesday, March 7 - Course Scheduling for Rising Seniors

Thursday, March 9 – Course Scheduling for Rising Juniors

Mrs. McIntyre and Mrs. Guyant will be visiting English 11 and English 10 classes next week to go over course scheduling forms for next school year. Students will fill out the form in class and then take them home to go over the information with their parents. Forms will need to be returned to the Seton Front Office with parent signatures. Be sure to make a copy of your form for your records before turning it in.

College Visits

Students and families are encouraged to explore colleges and set up visits in the spring. Check college websites for details on campus visits, tours, and other information. Expressing interest in a prospective school can make a difference. Some colleges track interest so if you sign up for a tour and information session, schedule an interview, and even consider following up with a thank you note, colleges may have a record of you on file even before you apply.

NOVA IET Career Days

Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA) is hosting IET (Information and Engineering Technologies) Career Days which introduce high school students to technology career pathways. Career Days are free and will be offered at NOVA campuses where students will learn from industry professionals and alumni about NOVA IET degree programs. Tracks include Information Technology, Engineering Technology, Computer Science, Data Center Operations, and Cybersecurity. To register, visit <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdoZ6dkLgKHFFfSo8mqZGEdDswCPF8GaMxmYEuWiVOHdrlEg/viewform>

NOVA Summer STEM Camps

Led by STEM teachers and college students, NOVA's STEM Camps focus on hands-on, project-based learning that provide students with opportunities to begin exploring STEM fields and to chart a course for future education and workforce opportunities. For students in grades 4-12, camp programs include Coding, Robotics, Cybersecurity, Fabrication, Rocketry, and more. Registration is now open and will be available throughout the summer. Camps will run June 26th through August 4th. To register, visit <https://www.nvcc.edu/systemic/camps.html>.

NOVA STEM Camp Internships

NOVA is recruiting high school and college students interested in STEM education for paid summer internships in support of NOVA's summer STEM camps. Interns will support camp instruction, contribute to curriculum development, and learn to teach technical skills in a low stress and fun environment. Apply by March 15 at <http://intern.novastem.us/apply/>. STEM Camps run from June 26 until August 4.

Navigating Financial Aid Offers

Seniors, learn how to decipher financial aid offers and determine which college makes the best financial decision in this virtual presentation. Click here to [view](#). In addition, click [here](#) for an annotated (sample) awards letter with explanations of the various components of a school's financial aid offer.

Free Academic Support

Students can join Khan Academy to get personalized help to include free online courses, lessons, and practice. Videos for virtually any subject are also available. Visit <https://www.khanacademy.org/> for more information and to sign up.

CLT, SAT, and ACT Registration Deadlines Coming Up

CLT Test Date – March 18 (Remotely Proctored)

Registration Deadline – March 13

Click [here](#) to register.

[Signup](#) for CLT's free practice test.

SAT Test Date – May 6

Registration Deadline – April 7

Click [here](#) to register.

[Signup](#) for free SAT practice test.

ACT Test Date – April 15

Registration Deadline – March 10

Click [here](#) to register.

[Signup](#) for free ACT test prep.

Scholarship Opportunities

Claes Nobel Future Female Leader Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000

Deadline: March 15, 2023

<https://app.goingmerry.com/scholarships/claes-nobel-future-female-leader-scholarship/14911>

Louie Family Foundation Scholarships

Amount: \$4,000

Deadline: March 17, 2023

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10179/louie-family-foundation-scholarships>

AFA Teens for Alzheimer's Awareness Essay Contest

Applicants are asked to write an essay that describes the impact of Alzheimer's disease or another dementia-related illness on themselves, their families or their communities, and what they have learned.

Amount: \$5,000

Deadline: April 1, 2023

<https://alzfdn.org/young-leaders-of-afa/alzheimers-awareness-scholarship/>

American Foreign Service Association National High School Essay Contest

Amount: \$2,500

Deadline: April 3, 2023

<http://www.afsa.org/essay-contest>

Bull Run Civil War Round Table Scholarship

The scholarship is intended to promote an interest and education about the Civil War as it happened in our local communities.

Amount: \$2,000

Deadline: April 3, 2023

<http://www.bullruncwrt.org/scholarship>

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.