

Counselor Corner
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Still struggling to complete the FAFSA? Most high schools have already hosted Financial Aid Workshops, but if you need more help KBOR is hosting FAFSA Completion Assistance zoom meetings you can join as necessary each night from March 4-8 from 6 to 8 PM. Come and go as your schedule allows. Sign up kansasregents.org/students/fafsa-resources, or find the poster at your school with the QR code.

The application deadline for the Colby Community College practical and associate degree nursing and physical therapist assistant programs is March 1. Nursing students follow a "1 + 1" path, starting with the practical nursing (PN) program that prepares a student for the national exam to become a licensed practical nurse (LPN). The Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) is an advanced study in nursing practice for preparation for the licensure exam to become a registered nurse (RN).

The PTA degree path is designed for students to complete prerequisite courses during their first year (pre-PTA) and then apply to the program for the second year. Admission to the program is limited, and selection is made through an interview process. Students complete the prerequisites and the PTA program in four semesters and a summer. For more information on either program, call the Division of Health Sciences at (785) 460-4797 or email healthassistant@colbycc.edu.

The Northwest Kansas Library Systems is offering a \$500.00 scholarship to one student in NW Kansas in undergraduate and graduate studies with preference given to literature, library science, education, or any related fields. You can apply at <https://nwkls.org/student-opportunities/>; the deadline to apply is February 28th.

The Frontier Ag Scholarship is now available to students that with a parent with FA that is in good standing. Three will be awarded in each of the three service areas of FA. Applications are due March 1. Find instructions at www.frontieraginc.com/fccp-scholarship-program-21005

S and T Communications offers five \$2000 scholarships to children of customers. The application deadline is April 1. Find out more at sttelcom.com/community/scholarship. S and T also offers \$1000 to each to three educators that serve within S & T's service territory. Go to the same place, www.sttelcom.com/community/scholarship/, scroll further down the page.

Since 1993, the American Welding Society has awarded over 12,000 scholarships, totaling more than \$15 million. Receiving an AWS Foundation scholarship enables welding students to focus on their education and training while turning their passion for welding into a rewarding career. Find out about the many AWS scholarships at www.aws.org/Career-Resources/Students/Scholarships/. Applications are due March 1.

K-State Social Media Week is back! We invite you and your students to join us on the K-State campus for the Content Creator & Influencer Fair on Wed. March 6, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. CT. Learn how to be a savvy and creative content producer on social media. Improve your content creation game as you browse our creator and influencer fair with tips and demonstrations for video, photography, design, and more. Information and

registration can be found at www.k-state.edu/media-communication/about/events/social-media-week.html

Doodle for Google is an annual contest where students are invited in grades K-12 to express their creativity by drawing their very own Google Doodle in response. Visit doodle4google.com to learn about the contest, discover how to submit, etc. Deadline to submit is March 14.

The K-State Land Grant Promise provides financial support to students that major in education, up to the cost of in-state tuition. There is a QR code on their posters, or call 785-532-5524 or email edcats@ksu.edu

There is a list of resources available for women going into the field of Cyber Security at www.wicys.org/resources/scholarship-opportunities/. One of the scholarships listed is due February 29. You still have time to tap into that application.

The American Chemical Society sponsors 350 awards of \$5000 for Renewable scholarships for undergraduate students from historically underrepresented groups in the chemical sciences, majoring in chemistry-related disciplines, and pursuing chemistry-related careers. The deadline to apply is March 1. Check out www.acs.org/funding/scholarships-fellowships.html. There is also info about fellowships.

The WashU Rural Scholars Academy is a weeklong program for rising high school juniors designed to introduce them to Washington University, the college application process, and the greater St. Louis community. The all-expenses-paid program is hosted on WashU's campus. The deadline to apply is March 1. Find out all you need at <https://admissions.wustl.edu/heartland-initiative/heartland-summer-program/>

Deadlines to remember: March 1-FAFSA Deadline for FHSU and KSU; March 8-deadline to apply for April 13 ACT; March 31-Deadline to apply for Kansas Masonic Foundation Scholarships; May 1-Deadline to apply for O'Brate Scholarships; May 3-deadline to apply for June 8 ACT; June 7-deadline to apply for July 13 ACT. Sophomore/Juniors Days: Feb. 15 at NCKTC-Beloit; Feb. 21 at NCKTC-Hays; April 15 at FHSU; Freshman/Sophomore Day at WSU-April 27