

KEYS TO HIGHER ED

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Get Started

Scholarship Information is available on the Counseling Center Website.

- Understanding scholarships
- Tips
- Resources
- Websites
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Letter of Recommendation Form
- Organizing Chart
- Sports Scholarships

Don't have internet access or a computer at home?

Come to the Counseling Center—We have one available for you to use! Come before or after school, or get a hall pass from your teacher during school hours.

CA\$H 4 COLLEGE

Today the cost of higher education is reaching new heights, and many students are looking for ways to fund their years in college through scholarships and financial aid.

Letters of Recommendation-

One of the best ways to get a head start in the scholarship applications is to have at least two letters of recommendation on hand to copy and send in with your application. Ask a teacher, mentor or clergy member to write glowing reviews of you, your achievements, volunteer work, and personal testimony of your ability to succeed in the future.

Once you have two or three letters of recommendation the rest of the application will be simple and you will feel confident in applying for all the scholarships you can.



Dedication and a little hard work will pay off if you don't give up.

Resume-

You may want to consider writing a resume of your experiences. These can include after-school employment, extra-curricular activities, volunteer work, and other awards, leadership, and scholastic accomplishments. Don't be

afraid to brag, but be honest.

Your achievements are your biggest assets, track your accolades and seek opportunities to add to your accomplishments. You want to stand out among your peers.

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

FAFSA

Grants, loans, work-study—apply for Government Aid. October 1st seniors may fill out the application for federal financial aid. Watch for workshops and information to help you understand the process as we approach the new year.

Scholarship Search

Many scholarships will not pertain to you. It takes time to find the right ones, don't procrastinate. Don't sell yourself short, you might be just the right candidate who applies, or you might be the only one. Apply for all that you can.

Websites

Free information is readily available for many searches. Go online and find out what it has to offer. There is a list of websites found in the filing cabinet or in the **Scholarship Book** that is available in the Counseling Center.

Volunteer!
 The time you spend helping others will make you stand out amongst your peers.
volunteermatch.org
Justserve.org



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College Search!

- **Location**
- **Size**
- **Tuition**
- **Degree**

Do the research to select the best college for you. Don't choose a school based on where your friends are going.

Timeline: What Should You Be Doing?

- | Sophomores | Juniors | Seniors |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Join Clubs • Volunteer • Take PSAT & PLAN tests • Apply for Scholarships • Register on scholarship websites • Maintain good grades • Start researching colleges | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take PSAT test • Apply for scholarships • ACT/SAT test (take at least 2) • Volunteer • Join Clubs • Maintain good grades • Attend UHED @ CHHS (Jan) • Narrow college choice to 2or 3 • Attend leadership opportunities (Summer) • Register with NCAA (sports scholarships) • Take AP & concurrent enrollment classes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare portfolio • Retake ACT/SAT (Sep) • UCAW—Complete scholarship applications • Apply for colleges (Fall) • Fill out FAFSA (Oct) • Visit college campuses • Maintain good standing in school • Compare financial aid awards an decide on college • Choose housing • Send final transcript • Get a job |



WHAT IS AN ADMISSIONS INDEX SCORE?

AND HOW DOES IT AFFECT ME?

Your cumulative grade point average (GPA) and your ACT or SAT test score combine to give you your Admissions Index Score. This number tells the college what kind of a student you are. The higher your score, the better your chances of getting into the school of your choice, and receiving an academic scholarship.

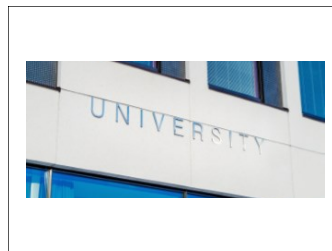
To give you an idea of requirements, a student wishing to apply for Utah State University will need an Index score of 90 (2.9 GPA ACT 18/SAT 860) or, for a Presidential Scholarship, an Index of 133 (3.8 GPA, ACT 33 SAT 1460 minimum).

Copies of this Index are available in the Counseling Center or online at any college site.

Some schools no longer use an exact number, but rather a gradient scale and some don't publish exact numbers for admittance/scholarships.

A NIGHT ON CAMPUS

Many schools host senior activities to provide the students an experience of life on campus. Some host specific events for diverse students to visit, even providing transportation to assist you in attending.



Visit your school to see first-hand what college is all about.

These are great opportunities to get away from home, spend the night in a dorm, and see if that

particular school is right for you. College students are available to guide

you around and often you have the chance to attend a sporting or other event .

The cost is very low and the experience is priceless. You will need to register early to get the date that works best with your schedule.

Watch the mail, or check with the Counseling Center for dates and details on these opportunities.

ACT Test Dates

Test Date	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline (Late Fee Applies)	Standby Deadline / Photo Upload Deadline
September 11, 2021	August 6, 2021	August 20, 2021	September 3, 2021
October 23, 2021	September 17, 2021	October 1, 2021	October 15, 2021
December 11, 2021	November 5, 2021	November 19, 2021	December 3, 2021
February 12, 2022	January 7, 2022	January 21, 2022	February 4, 2022
April 2, 2022	February 25, 2022	March 11, 2022	March 25, 2022
June 11, 2022	May 6, 2022	May 20, 2022	June 3, 2022
July 16, 2022	June 17, 2022	June 24, 2022	July 8, 2022

SAT Test Dates

2021-2022 SAT & Subject Test Dates	U.S. Registration Deadlines	
	Regular	Late (a fee applies)
August 28, 2021	July 30, 2021	August 17, 2021
October 2, 2021	September 3, 2021	September 21, 2021
November 6, 2021	October 8, 2021	October 26, 2021
December 4, 2021	November 4, 2021	November 23, 2021
March 12, 2022	February 11, 2022	March 1, 2022
May 7, 2022	April 8, 2022	April 26, 2022
June 4, 2022	May 5, 2022	May 25, 2022

TO REGISTER FOR A TEST, VISIT:

www.act.org
(ACT)

Or

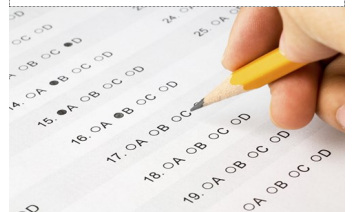
www.collegeboard.com
(SAT)

Copper Hills School Code:
450-450

If you qualify for financial assistance from the government, such as free or reduced lunch, please see Mrs. Summers for fee waivers for these tests. (You are allowed up to two[2] waivers for each test.)

Using a fee waiver for a test may make you eligible for fee waivers on college applications. Check with your desired institution.

More information is available at the scholarship desk.



What are SAT Subject tests? If you excel in U.S. History, Literature, Chemistry, Physics, French, Spanish, Mathematics, and/or Biology you may want to take a Subject test in that area; especially if you plan to major in that field of study.

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Beware of Scams!

No scholarship or search should cost you money.

Do not provide credit card information.

Never invest more than a postage stamp to get information.

If you're suspicious of an offer, it's usually with good reason.

Receive alerts, reminders, scholarship information and more!

Class of 2022 Text
@chhs22gr

Class of 2023 Text
@chhs23gr

Class of 2024 Text
@chhs24gr
To 81010

Scholarships

Want to find ways to help fund college expenses? Students of all ages are eligible to apply for scholarships. Look for opportunities online at the Copper Hills website. The Scholarship Database, found at http://counseling.copperhillshigh.org/?page_id=185 will give you access to over 300 scholarships throughout the year. Have your parents ask about scholarships from their employer.

Prepare early by reviewing requirements and participating in activities that will help you stand out and be eligible for great scholarship opportunities. Having a resume of service and volunteer work, leadership skills, athletic, and other extra curricular activities such as performing arts, as well as good grades and high ACT/SAT test scores will help you be selected as a scholarship recipient.

Watch for deadlines and apply early. Bookmark scholarships that you don't yet qualify for and be sure to apply when applicable.

Do you know what major you will choose in college? Look for scholarships at the school related to your major.

PAYING FOR COLLEGE

Choosing a degree to pursue is one of the biggest decisions you will make. It will affect what you will do for the rest of your life. It will also affect what your income will be. Making wise decisions today will greatly benefit you tomorrow.

Be careful about how much you borrow for your education. Sensibility in obtaining loans will pay off in the long run. If you can keep your debt low during your schooling, you will be better able to afford a comfortable way of life after graduation.

The government has options for some that will reduce the amount of out-of-pocket expenses. You can file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as early as January 1st in your senior year. You will need to have the previous year's tax information to complete the form.

When you have made the final



Every student should plan to file a FAFSA, regardless of their expectation of receiving funding.

choice in registering for college, make an appointment with that school's financial aid office to go over your FAFSA. They can help you understand your options, and if your financial circumstances have changed, such as loss of job, they will be able to make accommodations for you.

You will want to apply as early as possible to ensure funding. The government sets aside a limited amount of money for student aid, and once it's gone you will not receive any grants or loans. You will also want to verify the deadline for filing with your individual school. Some are earlier than others.

The Counseling Center has a variety of information available to help you understand financial aid. Visit the Scholarship desk today.

The official website for filing is www.fafsa.gov. Remember this is a FREE application.

Do Not Day to file!

Would you like to see what you would qualify for today? The FAFSA4caster allows you to enter your information without officially applying. Look for the link on the FAFSA website.