

CHS CLASS OF 2017 INFORMATION

Graduation – **May 22, 2017**, Stadium, 7:00 Rain Date – **May 23rd, 2017**

Graduation Practice – **May 22, 2017**, 8:30 a.m.

Cap/Gown info – Balfour here with info on **August 30th**. Orders placed **September 7th/8th**

Senior photos – **September 12th** here or set up your own appointment no later than **March 3rd**.

(Lifetouch 615-721-4997).

College Fair – **September 6th** at Columbia State. Permission forms due to guidance by **Friday, August 19th**.

You may register prior to fair day so you won't have to info card there and will have more to visit various schools.

College and Technical school visits – Contact schools you are interested in for program/degree information and to set up a visit. You are allowed 2 college visit days. Complete a college day form and turn in to attendance PRIOR to your visit.

Bring proof of visit to attendance upon your return for day to be excused. Also, Fall break

TnPromise – Two years of Community College or Technology Center tuition free (brochure to come)

Eligibility requirements:

- 1 Apply between **August 1st** and **November 1st** (NO EXCEPTIONS)
- 2 Attend 2 required meetings – **October 10th**, here at 1:30 and **March 20th**, here at 5:30
- 3 Complete **FAFSA by January 17th** (opens **October 1st**)
- 4 Complete 8 hours of community service spring semester

The window is open, APPLY NOW at **www.tnpromise.gov**. You will need your Social Security number and an email address to register. Application deadline is **November 1st**.

Financial Aid Night – **September 20th**, 6:00 in the Library

-The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) must be completed in order to receive TnPromise, HOPE, and other financial aid.

-Application opens **October 1st**. FAFSA Deadline for the TnPromise is **January 17th**.

FAFSA FRENZY – **October 12th** in the library. This is an opportunity for parent/seniors to come and have assistance completing their FAFSA.

HOPE (lottery) scholarship – 3.0 GPA OR 21 ACT (brochure to come)

- Visit www.tn.gov/collegepays for renewal criteria each year.
- The HOPE scholarship may be use ONLY at approved 2 and 4 year colleges in Tennessee.
- Freshmen enrolling in a 2 year school for fall of 2017 – up to \$1500 per semester
- Freshmen enrolling in a 4 year school for fall of 2017 – up to \$1750 per semester

ACT Retake – Seniors who took an ACT during junior year will be able to retake the ACT on **October 22nd** FREE with a voucher. Deadline to register is **September 16th**. **We will get vouchers out as soon as we have them.**

~All seniors should complete a resume. Include everything from 9th grade to present; grades, clubs, service, awards, employment, etc. This will be needed for applications, recommendation requests, scholarships, etc.

~Individual senior meetings with Mrs. Lawson – to check status for graduation, post high school plans, what you need to be doing, etc.

~Dual Enrollment for Spring at Columbia State – Students may apply for admission and the Grant now (www.columbiastate.edu) then register for class as soon as the spring classes are posted. Once you are enrolled in a class, bring your Student Detail Schedule to Mrs. Lawson.

Classes offered at Northfield (Auto, Industrial Maintenance, Mechatronics, etc.) – apply to the appropriate TCAT. If interested, see Mrs. Lawson ASAP to see if you have room in your schedule.

~**Other dates: Prom – April 29th; Honors Day – May 7th, 2:00; Senior Day May 10th; Senior Exams – May 11/12; Project Graduation – May 22nd**

Senior Reminders

Senior Retake ACT **October 22nd** – Registration deadline is Friday, **September 16th**

TnPromise – Deadline approaching to attend and get materials at 1st meeting

Financial Aid meeting – Tuesday, **September 20th**, 6:00, auditorium

Will cover application process, scholarships, loans, work study, FAFSA info and sign up, etc.

FAFSA FRENZY – Wednesday, **October 12th**, 4:00 to 7:00

For any parent/student who needs assistance completing the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

To complete you will need: social security #'s (student and parent(s))

FSA-ID (student and parent can create this now at www.fsaaid.ed.gov)

Parent's 2015 income tax information

ACT Test Day – You need to bring:

Your **printed ticket** (Will not be allowed to enter without this)

Photo ID (Will not be allowed to enter without this)

Calculator and pencils

Snack

We have practice tests for you to prepare prior to test day so you will get the best score possible.