

College, Scholarship and Career Connection



October 2012 - Week 3

Madison City Schools (MCS) makes every effort to ensure that published information is accurate and current. However, MCS makes no claims, promises, or guarantees about the absolute accuracy, completeness, or adequacy of the contents of this web site and expressly disclaims liability for errors and omissions in the contents of this web site. Any person or entity that relies on any information obtained from this system does so at their own risk.

All new information is highlighted in **yellow**. Upcoming events/deadlines are highlighted in **blue**.

If you would like to have this newsletter emailed to you weekly, you may sign up for NotifyMe (located on page bottom left) at:

<http://bjhs.madisoncity.k12.al.us/>

ALL STUDENTS (and parents)!!!

The College/Career Center, located in the library outside of Mrs. Roberts' office, has a wealth of information about ACT/SAT testing, colleges, careers, and scholarships. Stop by to look at the files and reference materials available for you. The office is open from 7:50a.m. - 4:00p.m. Scholarship copies are available at the College and Career Center in the Media Center.

SENIORS

If you are applying to a selective college or to a scholarship program that requires a recommendation from your high school counselor you must turn in a Senior Packet to Mrs. Roberts immediately. This packet is accessible under Guidance on your Moodle account.

- Free online college planning tools available at www.collegeboard.com/quick.
- Website links: <http://college.gov> and www.college-athletic-scholarships.com
- To find merit based scholarships, visit this free site: www.meritaid.com

Testing Information and Prep Course dates- The code

number for Bob Jones is 011-697

- ACT Prep Course through Achievement Plus held at BJHS for December test date. Class time 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and possibly 5:45-7:45 (based on enrollment) on Tuesday afternoons - October 23, 30, November 6, 13, 27, December 4. \$150.00 for six two-hour sessions with scheduled practice exam. To enroll see Mrs. Roberts.
- SAT Prep Course through Achievement Plus are available for the December 2012 test date. Call 256-539-8910 for dates and times.
- For ACT test dates and online registration go to www.actstudent.org
- ACT Prep courses by Appleton Learning see www.AppletonLearning.com or call 256-325-2616.
- For SAT test dates and registration go to www.collegeboard.com. For help with SAT essay go to www.collegeboard.com/scorewrite
- For AP credit policy, see www.collegeboard.com/ap/creditpolicy
- All Pencils Down: A source for Standardized Test Preparation at Riverchase, AL. For English/Reading - Laura at Laura@allpencilsdown.com and Math/Science - George at George@allpencilsdown.com.
- For information on the College Board new score reporting policy visit <http://click.collegeboard.com:8080/17190462.1264.0.785>

College Visits at Bob Jones and locally - Sign up on list

outside Mrs. Roberts' office if interested in attending these College Rep visits. All visits will be in the Library unless noted otherwise. The current calendar of college visits can be viewed on the BJHS website under Guidance at <http://bjhs.madisoncity.k12.al.us/?PageName='Guidance'&Page='Calendar'>

October 18	Centre 3pm
October 19	Sewanee 3pm
October 22	The Citadel 3pm
October 23	Mississippi State University (MSU) 3pm
October 25	Lehigh University (PA) 3pm

College Open Houses/Receptions/Events

These universities are holding events, either in our area or on their campus. Visit their websites to get further information.

- Anyone interested in Agriculture at Auburn please see this note from the student

recruiter..... We are so excited for our Ag Exploration Days this year! Students will not only have the chance to hear more about our programs and meet some of our current students, they will also participate in hands on demonstrations! **We still have space available in our fall events on November 8th event in Crossville and our November 26th event in Wadley.** sign up today to reserve your

space: https://auburn.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_aaaePUGhEaRsvfT

For one of the hands on demonstrations we will be making tie-dye t-shirts! To help offset the cost of this activity, we are asking that students pay \$5 to pay for the cost of their shirt (we will cover all other material costs). The t-shirt will have an Auburn/College of Agriculture imprint and students will be able to tie-dye their own design on their shirts.

- **University of Mobile Visit Days** scheduled for November 2, 30; February 15; March 15; Must attend a visit day to be eligible for \$2,000 visit scholarship.
- **Auburn University at Montgomery Campus tours** Monday-Friday at 10 am or 2 pm Register online at www.aum.edu/tours or call 334-244-3615 or 800-227-2649
- **Alabama A&M University Open House** November 3, 2012
- **UA Huntsville Honors Recruitment Day!** October 20, 2012 2:30 pm (after UAH Open House) located in Frank Franz Hall Room 138 For more information: (256)824-6450 or www.honors.uah.edu
- **University of South Alabama's USA Day** for family visits is scheduled for Saturday, November 17, 2012. Register online at www.southalabama.edu/studentrecruitment/gadreg
- **The University of Mississippi Fall Visit Day program** is Saturday, October 20. Fall Visit Day is just one of many opportunities that students have to visit campus. Students are also encouraged to schedule a weekday visit for the most realistic picture of daily student life on campus. For more information go to: <http://olemiss.edu/admissions/visit.html>
- **Belmont University** Fall Preview Days October 20, November 10, 2012. Register for Preview Day at: www.belmont.edu/previewday
- **Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Arts** Saturday, November 3rd More information and RSVP at http://www.ugrad.vcu.edu/openhouse/?utm_source=streamsend&utm_medium=email&utm_content=17093859&utm_campaign=You%2527ve%2520heard%2520about%2520VCUarts%252C%2520but%2520have%2520your%2520students%2520seen%2520it%252F
- **Sewanee: The University of the South Multicultural Experience Weekend (MEW)** Nov 8-10 for HS seniors. During this three day program students will attend classes, meet current students and faculty members, and get a first-hand look at the campus community. MEW is an invitation-only event. To apply for this event, students must complete the MEW application online at <http://admission.sewanee.edu/visit/multicultural-experience-weekend>, as well as submit a high school transcript by October 2. They must also submit the Common Application by November 1. This is a free program, including travel to the event. For questions please contact Jessica Hardy at jdhardy@sewanee.edu or (931)598-1464.

- **University of Richmond Multicultural Overnight Visitation Experience (MOVE).** MOVE is a program designed for students of color and others who are especially interested in diversity and multicultural experiences. This two-day program for high school seniors and their families will be held Sunday and Monday, November 11 and 12, 2012. Students can visit our website for more details and to register. You may also call (800) 700-1662 or (804) 289-8640. A nomination is needed, please see Mrs. Roberts if you are interested in attending.
- **Racer Day at Murray State University Open House and Campus Tours** November 8, 2012 8am - noon and March 27, 2013 noon - 5pm. For more information please visit <http://www.murraystate.edu/racerdays.aspx>
- **Auburn University Chemical Engineering Departmental Scholarships for Freshmen** Up to \$1,000 award, approximately 35 scholarships given, renewable each year if student maintains high gpa with good progress in the curriculum. A student may receive this scholarship in addition to a number of other scholarships available through the University. Students must specify Pre-chemical Engineering as their major on their Auburn application to be eligible for our departmental scholarships. If you are interested in applying please see Mrs. Roberts. Deadline: January 15.
- **University of New Orleans Open house Saturday, October 20 from 10 am -2 pm.** To reserve your spot go online to www.get2know.uno.edu or copies of the registration form are available in the scholarship file.
- Seniors interested in the **Auburn Pulp and Paper Foundation engineering Scholarship program** should sign up in Mrs. Roberts' office. High scores in math, chemistry and physics are required as well as 27 or higher ACT.
- **Lipscomb University's Friday at LU** October 26; November 2, 9, 30; January 11,18; March 8, 29. For more information go to: www.admissions.lipscomb.edu/LUfriday
- **University of Mobile Visit Days** November 2, 30; February 15; March 15 For more information: www.umobile.edu/visit
- **Auburn AG Exploration Days for 2012-2013** Ag Exploration Days are hosted throughout the state to inform students about the scholarships, majors and career opportunities in the College of Agriculture at Auburn. The programs usually start at 9 am and finish at 12:30 pm. Lunch is provided but space is limited! You must register for these events. To register, go to https://auburn.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_aaaPUGhEaRsvfT
- **UNA announces:** Preview Day: November 3, 2012; Priority Excellence Scholarship Deadline: December 3, 2012; Final Excellence Scholarship Deadline: February 1, 2013; Transfer Scholarship Deadline: May 1, 2013
- **Birmingham-Southern College** announces preview events for this year. For a complete listing visit www.edu.bsc
- **Covenant College Campus Preview Weekend** is scheduled for April 4-6, 2013. Students spend two nights in the residence halls with current students, sit in on classes, worship in chapel, tour campus, may audition for music scholarships and much more. The cost of attendance is \$40/student. Register online at

www.covenant.edu/cpw

- Sign up in Mrs. Roberts' office if you wish to be a **Vandy Fan for a Day!** Attend a Vanderbilt men's basketball game. Criteria:
 1. Might be first-generation college applicant or
 2. Participate in free or reduced lunch program
 3. Significantly involved in school and community
- **Mississippi State University Fall Preview Days** October 22. \$10/person space is limited. Contact events@saffairs.msstate.edu

Make the most of your College Fair visits with these tips at

<http://www.nacacnet.org/EventsTraining/CollegeFairs/ncf/Pages/default.aspx>

College Information

- **College of New Jersey** Out- of -state students are encouraged to apply by Priority Deadline of December 1. If you would like to receive an out-of-state fee waiver, please see Mrs. Roberts for a counselor recommendation.
- Birmingham-Southern College has instituted an early action deadline and a regular decision deadline; any applications received after February 1 will be considered based upon availability. For more information go to www.bsc.edu
- **Consumer Reports** has produced a free guide to help prospective college students navigate the steps in college research and selection. Find the Best Colleges for You: Focus on the information that matters can be accessed at www.ConsumerReports.org/college
- Seamless Admission is a special agreement between Auburn University and Auburn Montgomery that allows students who were not admitted to Auburn University to take their first year of coursework as Auburn Montgomery students (and take courses at either the Auburn campus or Auburn Montgomery campus). After successful completion of 24 credit hours in that first year, students who have maintained a 2.5 cumulative GPA are "guaranteed" admission to Auburn University. To enter AU programs with additional admission requirements, such as Education or Nursing, students must also meet those requirements to transfer. For more information on the AUM Seamless Admission Program please visit www.aum.edu/seamless or call 334-244-3395.

Scholarships

Unless noted otherwise, more information about these scholarships is available in the College/Career files in the library, outside of Mrs. Roberts' office.

- **Mississippi University for Women (MUW) Scholar's Day** is scheduled for November 9, 2012 and March 8, 2013. To be considered for the **Centennial or Honors Scholarship**, applicants are required to interview during **Scholar's Day**. 24 ACT and 3.0 GPA required to attend, HS transcript with official ACT or SAT also required. Apply at www.muw.edu/scholarsday
- **Athlete of the Year (AOY) Scholarship Program** Recognizing the accomplishments of outstanding SENIOR scholar athletes with a minimum 3.5 GPA who have a history of academic and athletic accomplishments, as well as community and/or civic involvement. Four Athlete of the Weekly winners will be selected weekly each month through April 2013. Each of these athletes is eligible for one of two \$1,000 scholarship awarded at a banquet in May 2013.
- **University of Mobile Visit Day Scholarship** Visit days are scheduled for November 2, 30; February 15; March 15; Must attend a visit day to be eligible for \$2,000 visit scholarship.
- **Horatio Alger Scholarship** \$5,000 - 50 awards, DEADLINE October 25, 2012. Requirements include a strong commitment to pursuing and completing a bachelor's degree at an accredited institution located in the US. Students may start their studies at a two-year institution and then transfer to a four-year institution. To apply visit: <https://www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/apply.cfm>
- **What Makes Your School Rock Scholarship** \$800 - 3 awards, DEADLINE October 22, 2012. Ages 14-19 are encouraged to enter this contest to help make a difference by sharing successful solutions on what is currently working in their high school. Applications can be found at: www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship.php
- **Youth Activity Fund Student Grants** up to \$5,000 DEADLINE: November 1, 2012. Youth Activity Fund for HS students and college undergrads fosters a new generation of explorers dedicated to the advancement of scientific knowledge of the world. Awards typically range from \$500 to \$2500 with some up to \$5,000. Applications can be found at: www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship.php
- **Voice of Democracy Scholarship awarded by Veterans of Foreign Wars** Up to \$30,000 with other prizes along the way! Application deadline of November 1, 2012. Entry forms available in scholarship file. Student must record a short, 3-5 minute speech expressing their interpretation of the theme - "Is our constitution still relevant?" For more information visit: www.vfw.org or call Annette Coffel (256)777-0331.
- **Alabama A&M University Scholarships** Various scholarships available. Requirements include: 3.25 GPA, 23 ACT/1590 SAT; US Citizen or legal resident. Application deadline of March 1, 2013. Applications available in the scholarship file.
- **Auburn Montgomery (AUM) Scholarships** Freshman scholarship priority given to students admitted by March 1. New scholarship available for more students - **Recognition Scholarship for students with score of 20 on the ACT!** For more information visit: www.aum.edu/scholarships or contact: Lakisha Wingard 334-244-3928 or lakisha.wingard@aum.edu

- **Are you a high school student entrepreneur?** Apply for the 2013 NFIB Young Entrepreneur Award at: www.NFIB.com/YEA Students may apply thru December 17, 2012
- **University of North Alabama Excellence Scholarships** for 2013 HS Graduates priority scholarship DEADLINE: Monday, December 3, 2012. Many scholarships available, please go to www.una.edu/financial-aid/scholarships for complete information.
- **University of Montevallo Scholarships** Various Scholarships available. Entering freshmen wishing to be considered for merit-based scholarships should complete an admissions application and be admitted prior to the priority deadline of December 1, 2012. General requirements for scholarships begin with a 24 ACT or 1250 SAT and 3.0 HS GPA. For more information visit: <http://dev.montevallo.edu/honors/ScholarshipsFellowshipsAwards.shtm>
- **National Co-op Scholarship Program** sponsored by WACE, 195 merit scholarships totaling \$4.9 million. Students admitted to one of 10 institutions listed in the scholarship brochure can apply for scholarship. For more information or to apply visit: www.waceinc.org
- **Sewanee Guarisco Scholarship for Art and Art History** Full funding for 4 years as well as stipends for research, internship and study abroad. Application Requirements: Sewanee Common Application due December 1 and Guarisco Scholarship Application due December 15. Contact: Sarah Butler (931)598-1134 or sabutler@sewanee.edu
- **Mensa Scholarships** The Mensa Foundation offers a variety of scholarships. Deadline for application is January 15, 2013. Requirements include an essay no greater than 550 words double spaced. For questions contact Travis Hardin at ke3y@comcast.net. Applications available at: <http://www.mensafoundation.org/scholarships>
- **Wofford Scholars Program** at Wofford College. Scholarship amount from \$2,000-5,000/year. Requirements: top 10%, SAT 1250, ACT 28. **See Mrs. Roberts ASAP if interested.** More information available at: <https://begin.wofford.edu/register/woffordscholarsnomination>
- **SMART Scholarship (Science, Math & Research for Transformation) NOT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS** Must be pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in STEM disciplines. Deadline for application is December 14, 2012. See website <http://smart.asee.org> or call (202)331-3544.
- **Boston University Trustee Scholarship Competition** Up to four year full undergraduate tuition plus orientation & student fees. Requirements: Nomination, essay & full application. Applications available from www.bu.edu/admissions/trustee Point of contact info: admissions@bu.edu Deadline: December 1, 2012
- **Megan Meier Memorial Scholarship Fund** awarded by the Megan Meier Foundation. Scholarship amount: unknown. Requirements: 2.5 GPA. Application deadline: November 16, 2012. Applications available in the Scholarship File. For more information visit www.meganmeierfoundation.org

- **Miss Alabama Teen USA Pageant** - RPM Productions, Inc. Pageant date Dec: December 7 & 8 in Montgomery Female between ages 14-19; single; US citizen; 6 month resident of Alabama.. Potential for full scholarship to Troy University as well as potential for full scholarship to Lindenwood University. For more information and requirements visit www.missalabamausa.com See Mrs. Roberts for recommendation.
- **University of North Alabama (UNA) 4 Year Army ROTC Scholarships**
Benefits at UNA include: Full tuition and fees paid for up to four years, \$600/semester text book stipend, \$300 per month living expense stipend, University provided room and board grant and other opportunities: Overall value of 4 year award is approximately \$60,000. Application Deadline is January 10, 2013 - scholarship board offers begin in September 2012 for completed applications. Eligibility requirements: Us citizen age 17-26, 2.5 GPA, HS diploma, ACT 19/SAT 920, active in organizations, no civil convictions, meet fitness standards and agree to accept a commission and serve as an Army Officer in the Active Army, US Army Reserve or Army National Guard. Apply online at: <http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/high-school-students/four-year-scholarship.html> Questions: Call (256)765-4458 or e-mail lnelson@una.edu MAJ Leslie A. Relking
- **Elks Nation Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarship** This is an oratory contest with multiple requirements and competitions. Application deadline: December 7, 2012. Application available from Scholarship File.
- **2013 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards** If you've made a difference through volunteering over the past year, you could win \$1,000 and a trip to Washington DC. Ten top volunteers will be awarded an additional \$5,000 as well as \$5,000 grants for the charities of their choice. In addition, all Local Honorees who have devoted a minimum number of hours to their volunteer activities will receive the President's Volunteer Service Award. Visit <http://spirit.prudential.com> or www.nassp.org/spirit and click on the "Apply Now" link. Deadline for all materials is November 6, 2012.
- **RiSE (Rewarding Individual Success in Education) Scholarship Foundation, Inc.** announces the 2013 award application is available online at www.risescholarshipfoundation.org Deadline for application is Feb. 15, 2013. RiSE Scholarship Foundation, Inc. offers meaningful scholarships to award the success of students, to bring awareness, and education to the subject of learning disabilities.
- Sign up in Mrs. Roberts' office if you wish to be nominated for the **Danforth Scholarship at Washington University** in St. Louis.
- Sign up in Mrs. Roberts' office if you wish to be nominated for the **Samford Beeson scholarship** (30 ACT).
- Sign up in Mrs. Roberts' office if you wish to be nominated for the **Emory Scholars' program** at Emory University in Atlanta (30 ACT).
- **University of Alabama Freshman Scholarship** Priority date is **DECEMBER 1**. For scholarship consideration, both a completed admission application and

scholarship application will need to be submitted before the scholarship deadline. Once the admission application has been submitted, the scholarship application is accessible through mybama.ua.edu. A student does not have to wait for admission before completing the scholarship application. The national October ACT and November SAT results are the last college entrance exam results accepted for entering freshman students who want academic scholarship consideration. For the most up-to-date list of scholarships and requirements go to scholarships.ua.edu.

- **Auburn University Freshman Scholarship priority deadline is DECEMBER 1.** Freshman who submit all admission materials postmarked by Dec 1 and have the minimum test score and/or HS GPA required receive automatic consideration for Freshman and General Scholarships. A separate application is not required. For more information, please visit auburn.edu/scholarship.
- **Auburn Montgomery (AUM) Freshman Scholarship Priority Deadline is FEBRUARY 1.** The application for admission serves as the application for Freshman Scholarships. Go to www.aum.edu for specific scholarship information.
- **UAH Endowed Scholarships for Undergraduates** Application Deadline is DECEMBER 1. For more information visit www.uah.edu or call (256)824-6241.
- **University of Missouri Scholarship Application Priority Deadline is DECEMBER 1.** To qualify for automatic scholarships, apply for admission at admissions.missouri.edu/apply. To be considered for general and departmental scholarships, fill out the scholarship application by DEC 1 at financialaid.missouri.edu.
- **American Red Cross Summer/Winter Program** Students will volunteer to plan and organize a blood drive between December 1 and January 31. Scholarship amount varies from \$2000 to \$1000. For more information visit <http://www.redcrossblood.org/SoutheastDivision/BloodStockStudents>
Participants that meet the program criteria are entered into a drawing for Bloodstock Scholarships.

Educational Opportunities & Contests

- **2012-2013 Global Connections Art & Essay Contest organized by Istanbul Center.** The Global Connections Art & Essay Contest was first organized by Istanbul Center in 2006. Co-sponsored by both the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) and the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC), the Annual Global Connections Art & Essay Contest challenges middle and high school students in 5 states of the Southeast - Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama, Florida and South Carolina - to submit both art and essay compositions based on a yearly humanistic theme. **The theme this year is The Human Footprint on the Environment Impacts and Solutions. Last year BJHS had two students win a free trip to Turkey.** Deadline Sunday, January 27, 2013. For more information visit www.artessay.org

- **JFK Profiles in Courage Essay Contest** sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Library foundation and John Hancock. Entry deadline is Saturday, January 5, 2013. For prize amounts, requirements, registration forms and more details see www.jfklibrary.org
- **National Career Development Association Poetry & Poster Contest** Deadline for entries is December 5, 2012. Various prize amounts. For more information visit www.ncda.org or contact Lynn Boyd (334)241-5491
- **CollegeNET** First social network giving students the power to decide who wins scholarships. Participating students are eligible every week to win a scholarship of approximately \$300 AND a quarterly scholarship of up to \$20,000. Proceeds for scholarships at CollegeNET.com are derived from advertising revenues and CollegeNET grants. The site is administered by CollegeNET, Inc., the web technology company that provides cloud-based admissions and scheduling services to over 1000 colleges and universities worldwide. Learn more at www.corp.collegenet.com