

Centennial High School Class of 2021

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Future Flight



To Test or Not To Test: That is the Question:

We are receiving a number of questions about taking the SAT and/or ACT test this year. The National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) has encouraged many college admission departments to update their Testing requirement related to COVID-19. Now, nearly

400 NACAC-Member Colleges and Universities have agreed that students will not be penalized for the absence of a standardized test score (SAT/ACT).

The counseling team has thoroughly discussed the admission changes for many colleges and how it affects students decisions of taking standardized tests. As a team, we are still highly encouraging all students to register and take SAT and/or ACT tests. These tests will help prepare you for the rigor of college, give you opportunities for additional scholarships, allow variety to you in your future plans, and most of all they are a great experience for you.

Here are the links to review and register for testing this year. Please register early as you want to make sure you have an available seat.

ACT: <u>https://www.act.org/</u> SAT: <u>https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat</u>

Finally, we highly recommend to take time and study before testing. There are some amazing resources on the above sites for education assistance before testing. The <u>ACT Academy</u> and <u>Khan Academy</u> (for SAT) offer free practice testing also.

SELF-SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT WITH YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Centennial's school counselors have created a virtual appointment system through Office365 Bookings to allow students to self-schedule time to meet on Teams, to discuss a wide variety of personal and academic needs like scheduling, career planning, college applications and scholarships, and more. Visit the below page, find your counselor's, name, and click on the "Schedule an Appointment" link to get started:

www.peoriaunified.org/CeHSquidance



Not sure of your counselor? Go to StudentVue and look in Course Request. Your Counselor will be listed on the top right of the page.

Career Connection: Cyber Security

Are you ready to be on the cutting-edge of technology? Do you want to get a head start on a great career? If you have a knack for coding and problem solving, plus you have a desire to identify and protect system vulnerabilities, then a Cyber Security program is the right choice for you.

How do you become a Cyber Security Analysist? Many employers look for security analyst candidates with a

bachelor's degree in computer science, math or engineering, or another computer-related field. If you've got security experience, a stable work history and solid references or letters of recommendation, it's possible to land a job in security without a college degree. But a degree – especially one with some security-related coursework included – will definitely help.



Featured Halls of Knowledge



Explore. Experiment. Expand.

The University of Arizona, located in Tucson, AZ is an amazing State University. They offer over 250 undergraduate majors and graduate programs to build your path. Take time to review the Wildcat family and see the day in the life of a Wildcat.

Visit Virtually: Click Here Apply Now: Click Here

Or contact our representative and set up an appointment to meet with him directly.

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Honors College

As a member of the Honors College, you'll be part of a small cohort of the best and brightest minds from across the country and around the world, all within a large university setting that offers matchless opportunities. If you're looking to engage hands-on, grow personally and academically, and make your place in the world, the Honors College is the place for you.

Priority Application Deadline for the Honors College is November 16, 2020. The final Honors College Application deadline for fall 2021 admissions is February 15, 2021 at 11:59pm.

For additional information please go here: Click Here

Scholarship Highlights

Find Scholarships

- Your Student View: >Parent and Student Resources>College Scholarship Eligibility
- College Depot: <u>https://</u> www.phoenixpubliclibrary.org/ collegedepot/Pages/Scholarships.aspx
- U.S. Department of Labor's Scholarship Search Tool. https:// www.careeronestop.org/toolkit/ <u>training/find-scholarships.aspx</u>



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Scholarship of the Week

2021 Most Valuable Student Contest

The Elks National Foundation is proud to announce the start of the 2021 Most Valuable Student scholarship contest on August 5,2020. The Most Valuable Student scholarship is available to high school seniors who are United States citizens. Applicants do not need to be related to a member of the Elks. Applications are judged on academics, leadership, service and financial need.



Awards:

The Elks National Foundation will award 500 four-year scholarships to the highest-rated applicants in the 2021 competition.

The application is completed online and must be submitted by the **November 15, 2020**, deadline. The 500 national winners will be announced in April 2021. Learn more about the MVS scholarship here.



Early Decisions or Committed Decisions are binding commitments to the University/College of choice. This means you must attend the college that you are committing to.

Early Actions are non-binding: Students will receive an early response to their application but do not have to commit to the college until the normal reply date of May 1st.