

# MHS Senior Project/ Financial Aid Night

10/15/2020

# On the Agenda...

## Senior Project

- Overview
  - Requirements
- Senior Action Plan
  - Senior Project Credit



## Financial Aid Information

- Financial Aid Overview
- FAFSA & ORSAA
- OSAC Application
- Oregon Promise Application
- Ford Scholars Program
- Benton Community Foundation Scholarships
- Local Scholarships
- College Prep Resources

# Senior Project Requirements

1. Individualized - Three Paths (Pick one)
  - a. College
  - b. Apprenticeship/Career
  - c. Military
2. Three meetings
  - a. Week of Nov. 9th-13th
  - b. Week of Jan. 19th-22nd
  - c. Week of April 26th-30th
3. Individual Checklist and Meetings Complete
  - a. Credit Awarded



# Senior Action Plan

1. All Seniors need to take Interest Inventory before first meeting.
  - a. <https://www.careeronestop.org/toolkit/careers/interest-assessment.aspx>
2. Path determined at first meeting week of Nov. 9th-13th
  - a. Interest assessment will be discussed
3. Action Plan document created and shared with student
  - a. Student works on individual activities in Action Plan
  - b. Follow-up meetings week of Jan. 19th-22nd and April 26th-30th
  - c. [Sample Action Plan Document](#)
4. Credit awarded upon completion of checklist and meetings.



# Financial Aid Overview

## ❖ Scholarships

- Gift-aid, merit and need-based.
- Qualifications vary based on who is funding it.
- Money does not need to be paid back.

## ❖ Grants


- Gift-aid, often awarded based on financial need.
- Awarded by Government, non-profits, and schools.
- Ex: Pell Grant, Oregon Opportunity Grant (Fill out FAFSA to qualify)

## ❖ Loans

- Money that you borrow.
- Must be paid back with interest.
- Federal Student Loans awarded through FAFSA.




# Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- ❖ Anyone going to college should fill out the FAFSA - even if you think you make too much to qualify for grants.
  - ❖ [FAFSA Application](#)
  - ❖ Do not pay to submit the FAFSA - it is always FREE
  - ❖ Sign up for your [FSA ID](#) in order to sign your FAFSA electronically
  - ❖ Must fill-out every year.
  - ❖ FAFSA help: [Live Chat or by Telephone](#)
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# Oregon Student Aid Application (ORSAA)

- ❖ The Oregon Student Aid Application (ORSAA) is an alternative to the FAFSA for undocumented Oregon students, including students who have Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status or Temporary Protected Status (TPS). By filing the ORSAA, eligible undocumented and DACA students in Oregon can get help paying for college through [grants, scholarships, and tuition reduction](#). After you file the ORSAA, be sure to contact the financial aid office at your college to find out how to apply for the school's additional financial aid opportunities.

Do **NOT** complete the ORSAA if you are (1) a U.S. citizen, (2) a legal noncitizen with an Alien Registration number, or (3) an international student who is in the United States with a valid visa.

- ❖ The ORSAA is open now: [ORSAA Application](#)
  - ❖ ORSAA Tip Sheet ([English](#)) ([Spanish](#))
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# Office of Student Access and Completion (OSAC)

- ❖ [OSAC Scholarship Application](#) opens November 1st
  - One application for hundreds of scholarships
  - Must fill out the FAFSA in addition to the OSAC application
  - Early bird deadline: **February 15th, 2021**
  - Final deadline: **March 1st, 2021**
- ❖ [OSAC Scholarship Application Personal Statements](#)
- ❖ How to fill out the OSAC Scholarship Application
  - [Step-by-step Instruction Video](#)





# Office of Student Access and Completion (OSAC)

## ❖ Oregon Promise Grant

- Oregon Promise is a state grant that helps to cover tuition costs at any Oregon community college for recent high school graduates and GED® test graduates.
- OPG Fact Sheet ([English](#))([Spanish](#))
- [Oregon Promise Application](#) open NOW
  - Deadline: June 1st, 2021



# Ford Family Scholars Program

## ❖ Ford Family Scholarship

- Meets 90% of your unmet financial need
- Many Ford Scholars from Monroe High School
- [Ford Scholars Information Sheet](#)
- [Ford Scholars Application](#) opens November 1st
  - Deadline **March 1st @ 5pm**
  - Must fill out the FAFSA in addition to Ford Scholars Application



# Benton Community Foundation Scholarships

- ❖ Application opens December 1st, 2020
  - Deadline: **January 11th, 2021**
- ❖ To apply: [Benton Community Foundation Scholarship Application](#)
  - Students need to create an account - this will allow them to save their work and will match them with all the available scholarships for which they qualify.
- ❖ Trainings to fill out the application will start in November
  - Opportunities to attend will be posted in Senior Class Announcements



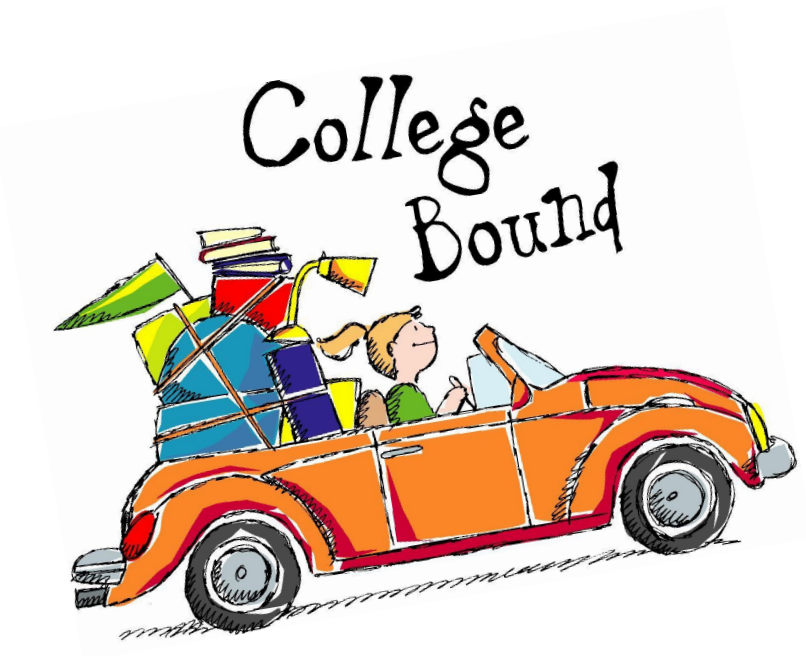
# Monroe High School Local Scholarships

- ❖ Available to Monroe High School Seniors only
- ❖ Awarded \$30,000 last year
- ❖ Application available February 2021
- ❖ What can you do to prepare now?



# College Prep Resources

- ❖ [12th Grade College Checklist](#)
  - Month by month checklist to keep you on track
  - [App available](#)
- ❖ [College Information](#)
  - Why go to college?
  - Types of colleges/degrees
  - Oregon colleges
  - Apply to college
  - How to pay for college...and more!
- ❖ [Information for Undocumented Students](#)
- ❖ [It's a Plan: College Workbook](#)



# Questions?

Please feel free to contact me with any questions!

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