

SENIOR NEWSLETTER

April 2023

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." ~John F. Kennedy

As of April 1, there are **29 school days left for Seniors!!!**

Are you ready for graduation? Are you passing your current classes? Are your PLATO courses completed? Have you ordered your cap, gown and tassel?

IMPORTANT SPRING DATES:

April 11 - 3:30 pm - Most local scholarship applications are due to Mrs. Holley.

See pg. 2 for all deadline dates

May 16 - Mandatory practice for all seniors

May 17 - 8:00 am - Formal Awards

May 17 - 4:30 pm - Final deadline for all graduation requirements to be met to walk in ceremony (this includes PLATO courses)

May 20-24 - Graduation Practice

*Mrs. Sayre emailed to you on Mar. 28

May 24 - 8:00 pm - Graduation Ceremony

FAFSA

For help on your FAFSA:

call **1 800 433 3243** or **1 877 987 7664**

Deadline to submit your FAFSA for:

Higher Education Grant is **May 1**

Promise Scholarship extended deadline is **May 1**



Award Letters -

Please provide Mrs.

Holley with a copy of any and all awards or scholarships that you receive in order to be recognized for your accomplishments.



Enlisted Military Students

Please let me know if you will be enlisting with any military branch.



Most colleges assign you an email address through their school - be sure to check this frequently to stay up-to-date on important information/dates from them.

Submit your baby pictures to:
ripleyhighpics@gmail.com
Be sure the name you go by and that you want to be displayed on the slideshow is the subject of your email. It would be helpful if you saved the photos that way, as well.
Ex: Smith, Petunia Photo 1



The graduation practice schedule is the attached to this newsletter. Please be sure to read it carefully and mark your calendar with the mandatory practice dates.



2024 Honor Grad GPA ranges:
Summa Cum Laude: 4.25 & above
Magna Cum Laude: 4.00 - 4.24
Cum Laude: 3.75 - 3.99

REMEMBER TO BE AWARE OF ALL DEADLINES!

ONCE YOU HAVE MADE YOUR FINAL COLLEGE CHOICE, REMEMBER TO EMAIL THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE OF ANY OTHER COLLEGE THAT YOU APPLIED TO AND POLITELY LET THEM KNOW THAT YOU WILL NOT BE ATTENDING THEIR SCHOOL.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Online

American Legion Scholarships - See website for the different scholarships and deadlines; legion.org/scholarships

Horatio-Alger Scholarships - Various scholarships & deadlines; scholars.horatioalger.org/

Jackson County Community Foundation Scholarships - Online application found at jccfinc.org; Due 4/1

Lockheed Martin STEM Scholarship - Information & application found at learnmore.scholarsapply.org/lockheedmartin/ Deadline 4/1

Lockheed Martin Vocational Scholarship - Information & application found at learnmore.scholarsapply.org/lmvocational/ Deadline 4/1

Mike Rowe "Work Ethic" Scholarship - For trade-related programs; mikeroweworks.org/scholarship/ Watch website for deadline

Student Insights Scholarship - www.student-view.com Deadline 4/23

Buster Bynum Education Scholarship - Parent/guardian is employee in public school transportation; wvapt.org Deadline 4/25

James "Jim" Bailey Scholarship - No more than 2 year program; wvapt.org Deadline 4/30

Sallie Mae Bridging the Dream Scholarship - Info and application at salliemae.com/landing/bridging-the-dream/ Deadline 5/17

cfww.com - Click Financial Aid Planning - Find Scholarships; they also post scholarships on their social media sites

goingmerry.com - Create a profile and it will match you to scholarships

studentscholarships.org

studentscholarshipsearch.com - Various scholarships and deadlines

CollegeforWV.com

wvde.state.wv.us:

fastweb.com

*Albert Yanni - For students who completed a technical program and are pursuing post-secondary education in that field;

wvde.us/advanced-career-education/student-opportunities/ Deadline 4/15

Applications in the counseling office:

McDonald's Scholarship - Must be an employee

Applications attached to this newsletter:

American Legion Post 107 - Priority given to students with immediate family relative that meets one of the following: American Legion member, other veteran service organization member, veteran of any military service branch; Due to Mrs. Holley 3:30 4/11

Common Application (updated) - List of several local scholarships; Due to Mrs. Holley by 3:30 4/11

**Alpha Delta Kappa will accept applications from all students pursuing a degree in education

Jackson General Hospital Auxiliary - Entering medical field; Due to Mrs. Holley by 3:30 4/11

Ripley High School Alumni - Open to all seniors; Due to Mrs. Holley by 3:30 4/11

Ripley High School Alumni Vocational or Technical School Scholarship - Due to Mrs. Holley by 3:30 4/11

Ravenswood Federal Credit Union - Open to all seniors with an account (can open now!) Due to Mrs. Holley 4/11

WV State Grange - See information sheet attached for eligibility requirements; Due by 5:00pm 4/15

Gavyn's Voice Memorial Scholarship - Open to all seniors; Due to Mrs. Holley by 3:30 5/3

**** When turning in local scholarship applications, please have all documents stapled together in the top left corner.**

No fancy coverings, just the paperwork. **

Check your college's website for college-specific and program-specific scholarships

**THE SEMESTER DOES NOT END FOR SENIORS
UNTIL MAY 17th. MAKE SURE YOU ARE TURNING
IN ALL OF YOUR ASSIGNMENTS!!!**