

# Counselor's Currents

## December 2023

~ Apply to College Day ~  
 Congratulations, Seniors, for  
 choosing your futures!



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Thank you to all the parents of  
 seniors who attended the  
 EducationQuest presentation for  
 FAFSA updates and financial aid  
 information!

All Juniors will  
 be taking the  
 ASVAB test  
 Friday, Dec. 1,  
 2023

### December To Do:

#### Seniors ~

- Sign up for a MyEducationQuest account.
- Make sure you're on track to meet graduation and college admission requirements.
- Apply to your top college choices.
- Get serious about applying for scholarships.
- Watch for communication from the colleges you applied to.
- Update your Activities Resume.

#### Juniors ~

- Stay on track to meet college admission requirements.
- Get involved in extracurricular activities.
- Focus on your career interests.
- Research colleges that interest you.
- Prepare for the ACT.
- Set up a ScholarshipQuest profile.
- Update your Activities Resume.

### 2023-2024 ACT Test Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration (\$36 fee required)
Feb. 10, 2024	Jan. 5, 2024	Jan. 19, 2024
Apr. 13, 2024	Mar. 8, 2024	Mar. 22, 2024
June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024	May 17, 2024
July 13, 2024	June 7, 2024	June 21, 2024

If you miss the regular deadline, you may register during the late period but must pay the additional nonrefundable late fee.  
**NOTE: All materials sent by mail must be RECEIVED by the last date of the late period, regardless of when they are postmarked.**  
 If students are wishing to register at school, he/she must have their social security number and a credit card to pay for registration.

**TEST FEES**  
 Registration for the ACT without writing is \$68.00.  
 ACT with writing costs \$93.00.  
**Juniors and Seniors qualifying for F/R Lunch may see Mrs. Houston for a fee waiver.**

### College Visit Tips:

**Explore your career interests.** Think about your career interests and then research colleges that fit your interests. Visit the Exploring Careers section at [EducationQuest.org](http://EducationQuest.org) for free resources.

**Schedule your visits at least 2 weeks in advance.** Ask for appointments with an admissions representative, financial aid counselor, and a faculty member in your area of interest.

**Try to visit while the colleges are in session.** You won't get the true flavor during breaks or finals week.

**Be prepared with questions to ask.** It's important for YOU to ask questions, not just your mom or dad.

**If you can't visit a college, check out college websites.** You'll find admission requirements, academic and financial aid information, and campus photos. Many colleges now have **virtual tours**, so you may explore the college from home.

**EducationQuest's GoVisitCollege!** Page has a link to a list of all colleges in Nebraska with links to their websites.



Peru State College hosted the Future Teacher Academy REACH event in November. Charidise Minzel, Sara Wiemers, Jayden Nickels, Justice Currie, and Evan Christen participated.



Happy Holidays!

From Mrs. Houston  
and the Counseling  
Department!

