

FRONTIER HIGH SCHOOL
JUNIOR NEWSLETTER – FALL SEMESTER
PLANNING FOR YOUR FUTURE

ALL STUDENTS – Please share this newsletter with your parents!

Check daily announcements and the Frontier Website *everyday* for important information!

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

- *Make sure you pass all of your classes this year* – there is no guarantee of summer school, after school, or adult school classes to make up credits or improve grades
- If you need academic help, see your teacher and/or counselor right away, also tutoring lists are available in the career center – **don't wait, get help immediately**

CSF: Window is open from Sept 1st –Sept 29th 2017

- Applications in Career Center, get transcript and fill out app before paying
- If qualified, pay \$10 at finance office
- Turn in App, transcript, and receipt of payment to Mrs. Conley—no late apps accepted

COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER:

- Drop in before school, during lunch, and after school
- Mrs. Escobar is available to answer your questions about career selection, trade and tech schools, community colleges, four-year state universities, private colleges & universities, financial aid, and scholarships.
- ***This is a great resource – begin your research and planning now!***

ARMED FORCES:

- Arrangements can be made with Mrs. Escobar to meet with the military recruiters
- For those interested in college, the military offers ROTC and other programs which can help you pay for your education

WORK PERMITS:

Remember you must maintain a 2.0 (“C” average) to qualify for a work permit – see Mrs. Escobar in the Career Center for an application

COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS

PAYING FOR COLLEGE:

- It is time to have “the talk” with your parents/guardians about how much they are willing and able to contribute to your college expenses, so that you can start planning now
- Will you need a job now or this summer to save for college?
- Financial aid and student loans may be available, but are not guaranteed – students apply during the senior year
- Scholarships may be available – **the career center has all scholarship information** - remember extracurricular activities and community service are important factors, so get involved now and keep a record of your activities — most applications are for the senior year, but some are available for juniors

IMPORTANT WEBSITES: www.fastweb.com & www.fafsa.ed.gov

COMMUNITY COLLEGE INFORMATION

General website: www.cccco.edu

B.C. website: www.bakersfieldcollege.edu

Taft College website: www.taftcollege.edu

- Remember the best preparation for community college is to meet the A-G requirements - although not required for admission, this will help you score well on the required placement tests so that you will not be required to take remedial classes in college (high school level courses which do not count toward your degree— a waste of time and money)
- Community colleges do not require the SAT or ACT for admission
- **However**, students are encouraged to meet the A-G requirements and take the SAT/ACT just in case you change your mind and want to apply to a four year university (see more info below)

FOUR-YEAR UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

ADMISSIONS AND GENERAL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ONLINE:

CSU: www.csumentor.edu

UC: www.ucop.edu/pathways

INDEPENDENT/PRIVATE: www.aiccumentor.org & www.commonapp.org

PSAT - optional pre-test for the SAT

DATE: **Wednesday, October 11, 2017**

FEE: **\$17** Registration Deadline is October 4th, 2017 or until sold out!

This is the only date offered this year! Register and pay for the test at the Frontier finance office **today**, the number of tests are limited – first come, first served basis; **150** spots for our campus!

Why you should take the PSAT:

- 1) Great preparation for the SAT – score report gives you individualized information about which academic skills to improve before taking the SAT
- 2) Gain free access to on-line college and career planning tools: *My College Quickstart* and *My Road*
- 3) Access to free admissions, financial aid, and scholarship information.

SAT/ACT – juniors should plan on taking these admissions tests in late spring – **register in January**

- check university admissions websites for requirements
- check the following websites for testing information

SAT: www.collegeboard.com

ACT: www.actstudent.org

ATHLETES – NCAA INFORMATION

- Requirements and registration on-line at www.ncaaclearinghouse.net
- Inform your coach and counselor that you want to qualify for the NCAA