

Dear Silex R-I Parents, Students, and Staff:

Good morning! As we prepare for Tip-Off and Thanksgiving, I want to wish you and your students a great Thanksgiving and a relaxing long weekend. And, for our seniors, don't let yours relax too long if you are hoping for scholarship money for college. The scholarship opportunities are abundant, and I would love to see huge sums of money be awarded to Silex R-I Students. In light of this, I am going to begin printing the list of scholarships from this newsletter and delivering that to seniors when it is published. Look for it on green paper. This will be another reminder and an easy reference of the awards that are available.

If you have a high school student that is not a senior, please take note of the summer leadership opportunities that are available at various levels. I would love to have applicants for all of these, too..

And, if you are a parent of an elementary student, please call me if you have concerns about their academic, social, or emotional development. I am happy to provide resources or suggestions.

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SECONDARY NEWS...

Please remind your students to bring copies of award letters to me. When your student has made a decision regarding schooling or college for next year, please let me know what that is. I will start posting those after the New Year.

Pay special attention to: #14, #10, #11, #18, #19, and #17.

Don't make the mistake of thinking that there will be so many applying and your chances are not good. These are local awards, and they are worth taking your time to complete. See me for the applications or check the links below. And, please let me know when you apply, too.



Here's the Latest Listing (2 Added):

#	Name of Scholarship	Due Date	\$ Amount
15	Show-Me Chapter of Soil/Water Conservation Society	November 27, 2017	\$2,000
14	Pike Co. Farm Bureau Young Farmers & Ranchers	December 15, 2017	\$2,000
5	Rove Pest Control Scholarship	December 31, 2018	\$500
6	Culver-Stockton Pillars for Excellence	October - January	Full Tuition
7	Vantage Credit Union Quest for Education Scholarship	Jan. 5, 2018	\$1,000
8	Robert J. Stuckey Essay Contest	January 31, 2018	Up to \$1,500
16	Conservation Foundation of Missouri Scholarship	January 31, 2018	\$1,000

9	2018 Project 21 Scholarship (MO Gaming Assoc.)	March 1, 2018	\$1,000 - \$1,500
10	Peoples Bank & Trust Co. Scholarship	March 15, 2018	Up to \$2,000/yr.
11	Donald E. Thompson Family Charitable Foundation	March 15, 2018	Up to \$2,000/yr.
18	Clarence C. "Kac" Hinds Scholarship Trust (This is 0% Interest Loan Until After Grad., Any Major)	March 31, 2018	Varies
19	Clarence C. "Kac" Hinds Nursing Fund (Scholarship)	March 31, 2018	Varies
17	Lincoln County Moose Lodge 2599	April 1, 2018	\$500
12	Injury Lawyers Scholarship	May 31, 2018	\$1,500
13	Groth & Associates	July 31, 2018	\$1,000

- #15 <http://www.moswcs.org/scholarship/>
 #5 <http://www.rovepestcontrol.com/rove-pest-control-scholarship/>
 #7 <https://www.vcu.com/qfe>
 #8 <http://library.missouri.edu/giving/stuckey-essay-contest/>
 #16 <http://www.moswcs.org/scholarship/>
 #12 <https://www.bestinjurylawyer.com/injury-scholarship/>
 #13 <http://www.grothlaw.com/scholarship/>

For those students involved in FFA, Mr. O'Brien provides a list of scholarships associated with that field. The link to that list at the Silex R-I Website is below.

<http://www.silex.k12.mo.us/o/silex-r-i/browse/2318>

And, another link to check out...

<https://www.studentscholarships.org/2017scholarships.php#sthash.p7KfZDpK.OktuHtUL.dpbs>



FAFSA Frenzy Dates at SCCC: Feb. 19th, March 20th, April 25th, and May 24th

SCCC A+ Information Nights for Seniors: March 7th, March 26th, and April 10th

On-Campus Visits: Tues., Nov. 28th – University of Missouri - St. Louis (UMSL) Rep. @ Lunch

FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORES, AND JUNIORS:

OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND – DON'T MISS OUT!

- ◆ While it is not yet time for apply for colleges, it is a great time to start really exploring career options. You may do this by: getting a part-time job in a field of interest, talking to professionals in those careers, and researching those careers online. Here is a great site to check-out for information about tons of careers: <https://www.mynextmove.org/explore/ip>.
- ◆ The ACT is going to be given to all juniors in February. If you can do anything to prepare for the test, that is a great idea. Silex R-I is paying for all juniors to test this year, so do your best.
- ◆ **Missouri Boys State** is accepting applications for the 79th session to be held June 16-23, 2018 on the campus of the UCM in Warrensburg. If you are junior, male and would like to be considered for this opportunity, please see Mrs. Wells. This is free to accepted students. Students applying should demonstrate high standards of leadership, character, scholarship and citizenship. Applications are due to Mrs. Wells no later than February 16th, due to the program by March 1st.
- ◆ **Missouri Girls State** is accepting applications for their 2018 session, which will run from June 24th through June 30th. The deadline for applications is March 1, 2018; however, applications must be submitted to Mrs. Wells no later than February 16, 2018. Please let me know if you are interested in participating. This is a paid opportunity for our delegate(s).
- ◆ **EXTENDED!!! HOBY** is a program specifically for students after completion of 10th grade. Silex H.S. can send three students to HOBY's Leadership Seminar at SEMO in Cape Girardeau from June 15, 2018 to June 17, 2018. Let Mrs. Wells know you'd like to be considered by Nov. 30, 17.
- ◆ **Missouri Leadership Seminar** is a 3-day program for exceptional sophomores from across Missouri. Students are given the opportunity to explore and expand their leadership potential during the Seminar taking place June 7-10, 2018. Silex may nominate one student. The nomination deadline is March 16th, so if you are interested in being considered for this experience (provided free of charge), see Mrs. Wells at your earliest convenience.
- ◆ PLTC will host a "Prospective Student Night" for families who may be considering PLTC for next year. If your student is thinking about attending PLTC, add this to your calendar: February 27, 18.
- ◆ If your child has their sights set on Drake University in North Carolina, there are credit and non-credit summer opportunities for study on the Drake Campus. The links below provide more information about each of their programs:

<http://summersession.duke.edu/high-school-students/summer-college-for-high-school-students>

<http://summersession.duke.edu/high-school-students/duke-summer-academy>

<http://summersession.duke.edu/high-school-students/intensive-stem-academy>

Classroom Visits, Parenting Classes, PLTC Auction...

- * The 4th-Grade students. The 4th-Grade talked about **Celebrations Around the World**. We shared any particular nationalities that are part of our heritage, and we got a laugh with a video highlighting how different languages sound. And, they can tell you the translation of the name “John” in multiple languages!
- * The 5th-Grade students explored the differences between **“Tattling” and “Reporting.”** We also considered **Gossip** and how it is a lot like toothpaste. Ask your students how so. We read the book “Don’t Tell the Whole World” by Joanna Cole. The goal is to learn when we need to share information and when we don’t, what’s productive and what is hurtful.
- * 8th-Grade Students had the chance to take a good look at **PLTC** this past week, and I know many of them were excited about the programs that are available there. This will be something for them to consider as we do 4-Year Plans for high school later this year. Each student got to see three different programs. Some of those include: **Digital Media, 3-D Modeling, Health Sciences, Auto Collision, Law Enforcement**, and more.
- * Students in middle school will benefit from **Crider Presentations** related to bullying, violence prevention, and other related topics in December. These will take place Monday, December 11th through Thursday, December 14th. More information will be sent home after Thanksgiving.
- * Representatives from **Thrive** will present the **Best Choices Program** to our Students in Grades 6th through 12th during the month of January. This program encourages abstinence and deals with healthy choices in relationships. Information will be provided for this program as well.
- * Free for Lincoln County parents through LCRB funding, the **January Love & Logic Session** will offer local families practical and fun solutions to some of our most common parenting challenges. Lincoln County parents will learn easy-to-use strategies for children of ALL AGES. The January session will take place Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m. on Jan. 10, 17, 24 and 31. Call 636-528-5911 to register.
- * PLTC is having a **Silent Auction** to raise money for the **Scholarship** they will be awarding. Check out the link below, if you would like to help with that cause, or, if you just want to shop for a great (and very affordable) Christmas gift. There are some pretty cool things!



<http://pltc.k12.mo.us/silent-auction/>