

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

Good morning! As busy as this time of year is, the second semester may be even crazier for our seniors. Things will be in high gear for the 2018 graduates (and their parents) as they finish their career at Silex High School and prepare for their next steps. Speaking of careers, they, along with the underclassmen, will have an opportunity to explore a range of vocations and career fields during the Silex R-I Career Fair on Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>.

Juniors will take the ACT by the end of February, and we will have programs by Thrive (Best Choices) and The Child Center at multiple grade levels. Scheduling for the 2018-2019 school year will get underway in January, and students will have the opportunity to apply for PLTC. Information on each of these will be forthcoming.

In the interim, enjoy the upcoming Christmas holiday and break! Ask your senior for the green scholarship sheet. The school break may provide time for applying for scholarships... and a chance to make back some of the green spent during the season.

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## SECONDARY NEWS...

**Pay special attention to: #10, #11, #18, #19, #17, #20, #23, #24, #25, and #26!**

Don't make the mistake of thinking there will be many applicants and your chances are not good. Sometime the odds for receiving a particular scholarship are far better than you might expect. The more you apply, the easier the process will become, too.

See me for the applications or check the links below. Good Luck!

**Here's the Latest Listing (7 Added):**

#	Name of Scholarship	Due Date	\$ Amount
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 Foun. of MO Scholarships (Bell/Stenger)	January 31, 2018	\$1,000
20	MO State Fair Foundation Youth in Agriculture	February 1, 2018	Up to \$5,000
21	James L. and Nellie M. Westlake Scholarship Program	February 1, 2018	Varies
22	"We the Students" Essay Contest	February 5, 2018	Up to \$5,000

9	2018 Project 21 Scholarship (MO Gaming Assoc.)	March 1, 2018	\$1,000 - \$1,500
23	SCC Foundation and Trustee Scholarship(s) - <b>MANY</b>	March 1, 2018	Varies
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
24	Northwestern Mutual Insurance Company Scholarship	April 15, 2018	\$500
25	The Edgar I. Lanvermeier Scholarship	April 15, 2018	\$250
26	The Lucille Heitman 4-H Scholarship	April 15, 2018	\$300
12	Injury Lawyers Scholarship	May 31, 2018	\$1,500
13	Groth & Associates	July 31, 2018	\$1,000

- #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/>  
 #21 <https://www.scholarsapply.org/westlake>  
 #22 See Mrs. Wells for an Email w/ the Link Included  
 #23 <https://www.stchas.edu/admissions/financial-aid/types-aid/scholarships>  
 #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>

Now, how about we make it even easier to do some applying! If you are a senior still working on college applications, continuing on scholarships applications, or currently applying for part-time or full-time employment, consider joining our **"Pizza Pie and Apply"** Party!



Students **MUST** sign-up with Mrs. Wells by Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. We will eat in Mrs. Kern's room and work in Mrs. Bair's. Bring your personal and school information, forms, and everything you need to complete your applications, and we will work together!

## Important Dates for Multiple Grade Levels:

- 🌸 Pizza Pie and Apply Party: January 10<sup>th</sup> during 5<sup>th</sup> Hour
- 🌸 Thrive (Best Choices) Lessons Grades 6-12: January 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>
- 🌸 Silex R-I Career Fair: Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>

- 🎉 ACT for All Juniors: February 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>
- 🎉 FAFSA Frenzy Dates at SCCC: Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, March 20<sup>th</sup>, April 25<sup>th</sup>, and May 24<sup>th</sup>
- 🎉 SCCC A+ Information Nights for Seniors: March 7<sup>th</sup>, March 26<sup>th</sup>, and April 10<sup>th</sup>
- 🎉 SCCC Be Ready Visits: Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, March 7<sup>th</sup>, and April 17<sup>th</sup> (Field Trip to SCCC)

## OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND – DON'T MISS OUT!

- ? It's never too early to start learning about careers. You may do this by: getting a part-time job in a field of interest, talking to professionals in those careers, and researching careers online. Here is a great site to check-out for information about tons of careers:  
<https://www.mynextmove.org/explore/ip>.
- ? **Missouri Boys State** is accepting applications for the 79<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup>, due to the program by March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ? **Missouri Girls State** is accepting applications for their 2018 session, which will run from June 24<sup>th</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>. 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).
- ? **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 16<sup>th</sup>, 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 considering PLTC for next year. If your student is thinking about attending PLTC, add this to your calendar: Feb. 27th.
- ? 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/duke-summer-academy>

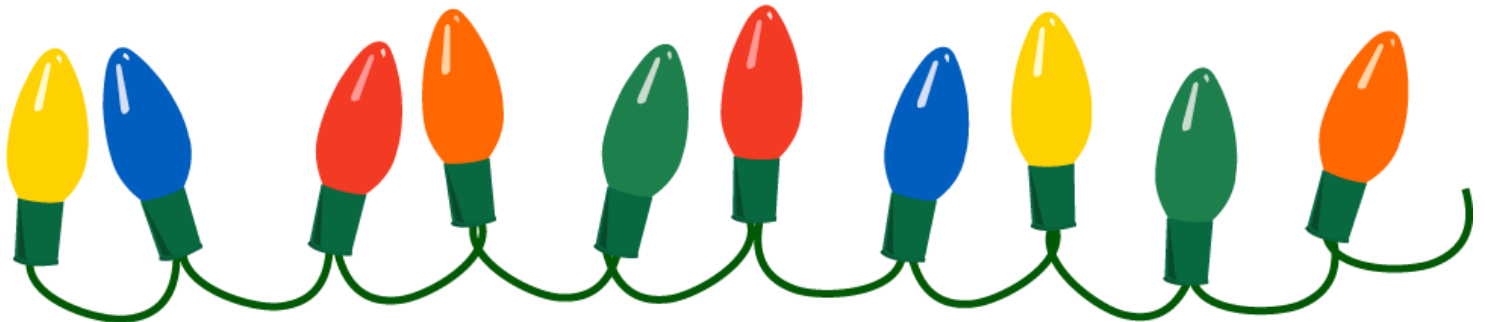
<http://summersession.duke.edu/high-school-students/summer-college-for-high-school-students>

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



## Classroom Visits, Student Ambassadors, Holiday Spirit

- \* Students in middle school will benefit from **Crider Presentations** related to bullying, violence prevention, and other related topics this week. Ask your student to share what they've discussed.
- \* Representatives from **Thrive** will present the **Best Choices Program** to our Students in Grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> 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 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 Wed. from 6-8 p.m. on Jan. 10, 17, 24 and 31. Call 636-528-5911 to register.
- \* Mrs. Wells is gathering names and meeting with students about a new group here at Silex. With the growth we have seen here over the past several months, it seems like a group of **Student Ambassadors** would provide a great service to show new families around campus, and help new students become acclimated to our school.



*I was super excited to hear from 6th grade last week when we spoke about resourcefulness (using one's environment, tools, materials, and smarts wisely and without waste) and stewardship (using your time, talent, and treasure in a wise and meaningful way). Giving was discussed, and your students were able and excited to name a wide variety of ways in which they have served and given to their community and country.*

*They exhibited some major holiday spirit!*

