

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

Spring Break has been a long time coming, and the Spring season seems in no hurry to get here, either. Nonetheless, I hope your children and families will enjoy this time off before returning for the final quarter of the year. Of course, there will be a great many things happening upon our return, but until then... Have a Blessed Easter!

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SECONDARY NEWS...

Here's the Latest Listing (3 New Ones Added):

Your students have done a great job applying for scholarships over the last several weeks. I am proud of several of them who have filled out a great many; I feel confident that they will see the fruits of their labor. The list is now shrinking, and I added only three to the group this time.

#	Name of Scholarship	Due Date	\$ Amount
37	Floyd B. Dowell, Jr. Memorial Scholarship	March 23, 2018	\$500 (2)
30	East Central Administrators' Association Scholarship	March 30, 2018	Varies
31	Missouri Insurance Education Foundation (MEIF)	March 31, 2018	\$1,500 (4)
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
42	St. Alphonsus School Scholarship	April 1, 2018	\$1,000
45	Raintree Arts Council	April 1, 2018	\$500 (3)
44	Lincoln County Democrat Club	April 1, 2018	\$500
43	Silex Owls Booster Club Scholarship	April 6, 2018	Varies
40	Lincoln County Bar Association Scholarship	April 15, 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
48	Equifax Finance Scholarship (Business Majors)	April 16, 2018	Up to \$10,000
41	Cuivre River Electric Cooperative, Inc. Scholarship	May 1, 2018	\$750 (50+)
12	Injury Lawyers Scholarship	May 31, 2018	\$1,500
47	Hammett, Bellin & Oswald, LLC	May 31, 2018	\$750
46	Alpha Gamma Sigma Leaders of Tomorrow (Males Attending Mizzou Only)	June 1, 2018	\$500 (2)
13	Groth & Associates	July 31, 2018	\$1,000
32	Pottroff and Karlin Law Firm Scholarship	August 1, 2018	\$1,000

- #12 <https://www.bestinjurylawyer.com/injury-scholarship/>
- #13 <http://www.grothlaw.com/scholarship/>
- #32 <https://www.pottroff.com/scholarship/>
- #41 www.cuivre.com
- #46 <http://agsiq.org/scholarship/>
- #47 <http://hbolawfirm.com/law-justice-scholarship/>
- #48 <http://bit.ly/2BiWMBZ>

For Mr. O'Brien's students, the link below will take you to another list of FFA-specific scholarships:

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

And, one more:

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

Important Dates for Multiple Grade Levels:

- ◆ **FAFSA Frenzy Dates at SCC:** April 25, May 24 (5:30–7:00) RSVP at: financialail@stchas.edu or by calling 636-922-8601, Admin. Bldg. #3103.
- ◆ **SCC A+ Info. Nights for Seniors:** March 26th, April 10th (6:00 – 7:30) SSB Bldg.
- ◆ **SCC Be Ready Visits:** April 17th (Field Trip to SCCC)
- ◆ **SOAR (Student Orientation and Registration):** May 18, June 8, June 22, and July 13. This event is designed to simplify the enrollment process. SOAR includes a campus tour, a parent panel, and getting registered for classes for incoming freshmen. Learn more at: stchas.edu/soar.

Only a Few Days Left for a Couple of Summer Programs...

Missouri Chamber Foundation Leadership in Practice seeks freshmen and sophomore students for a hands-on experience in leadership at Westminster College in Fulton, MO. The dates are June 24- 27, 2018. Applications are due by April 1, 2018 and can be found at: <https://mochamber.com/lip/>

Cuivre River Electric Cooperative, Inc. CYCLE is a 3-day leadership program held in Jefferson City for sophomores. The dates are July 18-20. All expenses are paid, and students may be nominated or apply directly. The deadline to apply is April 25. Applications can be found at www.cuivre.com, or you may contact Tim Schmidt for more information at tschmidt@cuivre.com or 636-695-4837.



I was recently invited to an Usborne Books Facebook Event, and I purchased the titles below. These books help elementary students learn diversity and acceptance, and I look forward to sharing them with Silex students. In addition, I couldn't resist "Garden Sounds;" the spring flowers, budding trees, and growing grass will all be welcomed sights!



Community Resources -

The Pike County Health Department Home Health & Hospice Newsletter (January 2018) includes information about several classes that may be of interest to our parents:

Baby Basics – This class is offered for expectant and new parents, foster parents, and grandparents. This class will provide tips on feeding, safe sleep, coping with stressors of being a new parent, and more. It is offered free of charge. Contact PCHD at 573-324-2111 for more information. Also, check it out at www.pikecountyhealth.org

Safe Sitter – This may be a great class for your 6th-8th-Grade student who is hoping to do some babysitting. The class is 6.5 hours in length (or 1 day with CPR), and the cost is \$35. Consult the website above for more details.

The Lincoln County Resource Board provided information about the following events:

Midwest Justice for Children Workshop - The Child Center will host a workshop entitled "Responding to Children with Problematic Sexual Behaviors" on April 4th. This is for educators, mental and medical health professionals, law enforcement and children's services agencies, and caregivers/parents/foster parents. The cost is \$100. Contact lbuschman@cacnemo.org for more information.

"Not Our Children" Campaign - A taskforce is being formed to prevent childhood sexual abuse, and the taskforce is seeking opportunities to present the prevention program to parent groups. If you are part of a group that might be interested in hosting a presentation, contact the LCRB for more information at director@lincolncountykids.org.

Coordinated Entry (Connecting Homeless Families to Resources) is now live. For Lincoln County families or individuals who are homeless or near homelessness, now a single phone call to 2-1-1 will triage needs through a centralized case management team. Families or individuals will complete one assessment and referrals are then made to appropriate agencies, like LCRB-funded Sts. Joachim & Ann Care Service, that can provide assistance.