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### **ACT & FAFSA**

Be on the lookout for important dates and deadlines for ACT testing and FAFSA applications.

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### **MONTHLY RECAP**

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What is available, what are the deadlines, and how to apply.

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## **JOSTENS - CAP & GOWN ORDERS**

If you have not placed a deposit for your cap and gown order, be sure to contact a Jostens' representative as soon as possible.

(225) 928-5502 or [LAoffice@jostens.com](mailto:LAoffice@jostens.com)



*Class of* **2023**



# IMPORTANT SENIOR DATES

- Friday, October 1st  
FAFSA applications are open
- Tuesday, October 18th  
Practice ACT - NO School for Seniors
- Thursday, October 20th  
Jostens Graduation Orders due
- Friday, October 21st  
Report Cards go home  
EHS vs AHS - Senior Night
- Monday, October 24th  
NO SCHOOL - Parent Conferences
- Tuesday, October 25th  
Career/College Fair at AHS
- Saturday, October 28th  
Halloween Bash
- November 7th & 8th  
Fall Break - NO SCHOOL
- Thursday, November 17th  
College/Career/Military Fair - EHS
- Saturday, March 4th  
Jr./Sr. Prom
- Friday, May 5th - 10th  
Senior Final Exams
- Friday, May 12th - 8AM  
Mandatory Senior Meeting and  
Picture Exchange in the EHS Gym
- Thursday, May 18th - 10AM  
Senior Stroll
- Saturday, May 20th - 7:30PM  
EHS Graduation Ceremony

## TEST DATES

United States, US Territories, and Puerto Rico



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TEST DATES	REGISTRATION DEADLINES		
	Regular Deadline	Late Deadline	Photo Upload Standby Deadline
September 10, 2022	August 5	August 19	September 2
October 22, 2022	September 16	September 30	October 14
December 10, 2022	November 4	November 11	December 2
February 11, 2023	January 6	January 20	February 3
April 15, 2023	March 10	March 24	April 7
June 10, 2023	May 5	May 19	June 2
July 15, 2023*	June 16	June 23	July 7

\*No test centers are scheduled in New York for the July test date.

## HIGH SCHOOL CODE NUMBER

The high school CEED code number for Erath High is **190-823**. This number is required for ACT and SAT registration and requested on many scholarship and financial aid applications.

**\*Fee Waivers are available for pick up in the counselor's office.**

# TOPS AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

## TOPS OPPORTUNITY:

Tuition Exempt  
20 ACT & 2.5 GPA

## TOPS PERFORMANCE:

Tuition Exempt AND \$200 per semester  
23 ACT & 3.25 GPA

## TOPS HONORS:

Tuition Exempt AND \$400 per semester  
27 ACT & 3.5 GPA

## TOPS TECH:

2 Year Tuition Exempt  
from a Community college or Tech School  
17 ACT (or Silver in WorkKeys) & 2.5 GPA

**\*\*NOTE: GPA is configured on the TOPS Core Curriculum GPA or the TOPS Tech Core Curriculum**

## FAFSA

FAFSA stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid. It is the form/application that is completed by current and prospective college students in the United States to determine their eligibility for student financial aid. It is also the application used for the Louisiana TOPS Program and federal financial aid such as grants, loans, and work study programs. FAFSA completion is required by most colleges. No financial aid and/or scholarships will be offered to a student until they have applied for admission and their ACT scores have been sent to the college(s) of his/her choice. Each school has a limited amount of certain types of financial aid money to be awarded. Students who apply for admission and send in the FAFSA form early have the best chance of receiving financial aid money if they meet the qualifications. Please complete the FAFSA application as soon as possible. Completing your FAFSA application OR signing a waiver that you do not wish to participate is a REQUIREMENT to graduate. Opens **October 1, 2022**.

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)



August  
Bobcat of the Month  
*Carlee LeBlanc*



August  
Senior True Blue  
*Reese Domingue*



September  
Bobcat of the Month  
*Nate Touchet*



September  
Senior True Blue  
*Emma Sonnier,  
Elijah Campbell,  
Avery-Grace Hebert*

# Financial Aid Process

**ADMISSION APPLICATIONS: STEP #1 – Register for a FSA ID at <https://fsaid.ed.gov/>. Registration consists of 3 steps:**

## **Enter Login Information**

- Let us know what log-in information you would like to use. Provide us with a unique username, password and Are you 13 year of age or older?

## **Enter Personal Information**

- Enter Social Security number, name, and date of birth.
- (Optional) Include your mailing address, e-mail address and language preference.
- Provide five challenge questions and answers. This adds an extra level of security to your FSA ID. If you forget your username or password, you can retrieve your username or reset your password by providing answers to your challenge questions.

## **Submit Your FSA ID Application**

- Agree not to share your FSA ID with anyone. The security of your FSA ID is important because it can be used to electronically sign Federal Student Aid documents, access your personal records, and make binding legal obligations.
- (Optional) Verify your e-mail. By verifying your e-mail, you can use your e-mail as your username when logging into FSA applications.

Once we complete verification with the SSA (1-3 days), you will be able to use your FSA ID to access your personal information on Federal Student Aid websites.

**STEP #2 – Complete the FAFSA worksheet. You will need the following information:**

- Social security number (student and parents)
- Driver's license number (student)
- Income tax returns including IRS W-2 information (student and parents)
- Records of untaxed income, such as child support received, interest income, and veterans noneducation benefits (student and parents)
- Current bank statements, current business and investment mortgage information, business and farm records, stock, bond and other investment records (student and parents)

**STEP #3 – Complete the FAFSA online at [www.fasfa.gov](http://www.fasfa.gov). You should have your FAFSA worksheet completed to use as a guide. The FSA ID for the student and parent are used to sign electronically. Print a copy of the confirmation page to keep for your records as documentation.**

**STEP #4 – A Student Aid Report (SAR) will be sent to you by mail or e-mail. Review your SAR and, if necessary, make changes or corrections and submit your SAR for reprocessing. If you submit the SAR online, you can sign it electronically with your PIN number. If you submit a paper SAR, you must sign the paper form and mail it back to the processors. Your complete, correct SAR will contain your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) number. This number is used to determine your eligibility for federal aid.**

**STEP #5 – The school or schools that you identify on the FAFSA will receive your information. They may request additional information from you to verify the information that you entered on the FAFSA. Be sure to respond as quickly as possible so that you do not miss any deadlines.**

**STEP #6 – The school or schools that have received your information will send out award letters. Review the award letters carefully to compare the amounts and types of aid offered. Respond to the offers before the deadlines. Accept the awards that you want and decline the awards that you do not want or need.**



# To Do

**ADMISSION APPLICATIONS:** Current college applications and information are available online for colleges and universities. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU COMPLETE COLLEGE ADMISSION APPLICATIONS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE END OF YOUR SENIOR YEAR TO BEGIN THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS.

**TECHNICAL PROGRAM ADMISSION:** Those students planning to attend technical college after graduation should call the school they are interested in attending and make an appointment with the admissions counselor. It is recommended that you call in the early spring as many programs have limited space and require an entry test. Scholarships and financial aid cannot be offered until you have applied for admission.

**MILITARY:** Students interested in joining a branch of the military should speak to several different recruiters to discover which branch of the military will best meet their needs and achieve their goals.

**SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION:** Federal law requires that all young men register with Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. By registering, not only are they in compliance with the law but remain eligible for benefits associated with registration, such as, college student loans and grants, job training, and Federal and some state government jobs. You may register on the Internet at [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov).

**COLLEGE ATHLETICS:** Students planning to participate in athletics at the college level should first talk to their coach and then register with the NCAA Clearinghouse at <http://ncaa.org/> for more information and [https://web3.ncaa.org/ECWR2/NCAA\\_EMS/NCAA.jsp](https://web3.ncaa.org/ECWR2/NCAA_EMS/NCAA.jsp) to register. Please see the counselor for more information.

**COLLEGE ADMISSION:** The following is suggested for seniors planning to attend college after graduation.

**OCTOBER:** All schools have application forms and information online. If you have not decided between one or more schools, you need to apply to the ones that you are interested in. Check to see what is required to apply for admission and begin working on your applications. Most charge an application fee and require that applicants submit updated immunization information. Each college has different deadlines for admission, scholarships, and financial aid. It is VERY IMPORTANT that you check online to get the information you need and that you submit everything that is required on time.

Information on the financial aid process and completing the FAFSA form is attached to the October newsletter. The FAFSA form is the application for the Louisiana TOPS Program and federal financial aid (grants, loans, and work study programs). Complete the FAFSA form as soon as possible. You may begin on **October 1, 2022**.

**NOVEMBER** – Complete college applications. Most colleges now have their applications online. Applications should be checked carefully before being submitted. Most schools now have access to your transcript online. If you are asked to send in a transcript with your application, you may get a copy of your transcript from the counselor's office. Once the college has processed your application, you will get a letter from the college rejecting your application or accepting you provisionally. Your acceptance will not become final until the college receives an official copy of your transcript after graduation showing that you have received a high school diploma. Your official transcript is not available until after you have graduated. Check scholarship deadlines. College scholarship applications may be found on-line.

**SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION:** Please check college websites for detailed information on scholarship requirements, applications, and deadlines. Each college has specific deadlines for admission and scholarships. Check websites early to meet all deadlines. You should apply by the priority deadline if you meet the criteria. Many schools have a limited amount of money available.

# SCHOLARSHIPS

## FREE SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

There are several scholarship websites that are free of charge.

You may want to check out the following:

Louisiana Education Loan Authority  
Adventures in Education Scholarship  
FastWeb  
Mach 25  
Scholarship Experts  
Sallie Mae  
Scholarships.com  
SRN Express  
U.S. Dept of Education Scholarship  
Louisiana Connect  
Student Scholarship Website

[www.askLela.org](http://www.askLela.org)  
[www.aie.org/Scholarships/](http://www.aie.org/Scholarships/)  
[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)  
[www.collegenet.com/mach25/app](http://www.collegenet.com/mach25/app)  
[www.scholarshipexperts.com](http://www.scholarshipexperts.com)  
<http://www.salliemae.com/>  
[www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)  
<http://www.studentscholarshipsearch.com>  
<http://www.studentscholarshipsearch.com>  
<https://louisianaconnect.org/Account/Registration>  
<https://www.studentscholarships.org>

### **JONCADE THOMAS CLEMONS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This scholarship program awards two scholarships valued at \$3,000 per semester and eight scholarships valued at \$750 per semester to students in the Acadiana area.

Students are chosen based on academic achievement, financial need, extracurricular activities, and community programs which demonstrate leadership and strong citizenship characteristics.

Applications are available online at  
**[www.joncadeclemonsmemorial.com](http://www.joncadeclemonsmemorial.com)**

**Deadline: February 1st**

### **COCA COLA SCHOLARSHIP**

Each year the Coca Cola Foundation awards 250 merit based scholarships to recognize outstanding seniors. Fifty awards are for \$20,000. The remaining 200 awards are for \$10,000. The scholarships can be used for any line of study at any US accredited college or university. There is no grade point requirement, however, historically students with a 3.0 or better GPA have a greater chance. The foundations is looking for well-rounded individuals with highly developed interests in their communities and have a demonstrated dedication to community service. Students who volunteer, initiate new programs, have leadership positions at school, and do well academically should apply.

Students must apply online at  
**[www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org](http://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org)**

**Deadline: October 31**

# SCHOLARSHIPS

## PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARDS

Applicants must have demonstrated exemplary community service. State winners receive \$1,000 and an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. in May.

National winners receive \$5,000. Students may apply online at

**<http://spirit.prudential.com>.**

**Deadline: November 4, 2022**

## BURGER KING McLAMORE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Created in memory of Burger King co-founder James W. McLamore, the Burger King Scholars program awarded more than 2000 scholarships last year, totaling more than \$2.2 million. Scholarship grants range from \$1,000 to \$50,000 and are intended to help students offset the cost of attending college or post-secondary vocational/technical school. Recipients are selected based on their grade point average, work experience, extracurricular activities and/or community service.

Students may apply at

**<https://www.scholarshipamerica.org/burgerkingscholars/information.php>.**

**Deadline: December 15**

(The application process will close after 50,000 applications have been received.

Opens on **October 15, 2022**.)

## NATIONAL BETA SCHOLARSHIP

Phase 1 of the scholarship process requires interested and eligible 12th grade Senior Beta members to complete an application which outlines their academic successes, future plans, National Beta activities including service projects and hours completed, and activities performed outside of National Beta. The application will open on November 1, 2022.

Applicants must complete their application for a National Beta Scholarship by 11:59 pm EST, January 19, 2023.

All applicants selected to receive at least \$1,000 will be notified via email the on February 16, 2023.

Winners will also be posted online and on National Beta's social media channels.

Applications are available online at **[www.scholarship.betacub.org](http://www.scholarship.betacub.org)**

**Deadline: January 19, 2023**

# SCHOLARSHIPS

## IMAGINE AMERICA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Imagine America Foundation Scholarships are open to apply now through December 31st! They give away over 6,000 scholarships every year to students planning to attend a career/tech post secondary school that also participates in the Imagine America Program. Apply online at the link attached to this post.

<https://www.imagine-america.org/>

### UL LAFAYETTE CAPITAL ONE BANK ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Applicants for this scholarship must attend a Vermilion Parish High School with an ACT composite of 23 or greater or SAT composite of 1130 or greater.

Must have a 3.0 cumulative GPA and must be admitted to the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

Applications are available in the counselor's office.

**Deadline: January 31, 2023**

### UL LAFAYETTE HENRY L. PERRIN MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Applicants for this scholarship must be Erath High or North Vermilion High Seniors with an ACT composite of 23 or greater or SAT composite of 1130 or greater.

Must have a 3.0 cumulative GPA and must be admitted to the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

Applications are available in the counselor's office.

**Deadline: January 31, 2023**





Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance  
 P.O. Box 91202  
 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9202  
 (800) 259-5626, Ext. 1012  
 E-mail: [custserv@osfa.la.gov](mailto:custserv@osfa.la.gov)  
 Web: [www.osfa.la.gov](http://www.osfa.la.gov)

Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance  
 START Saving Program

[www.osfa.la.gov](http://www.osfa.la.gov)  
[www.startsaving.la.gov](http://www.startsaving.la.gov)

**College Access**

College Knowledge [www.osfa.la.gov/collegeknowledge](http://www.osfa.la.gov/collegeknowledge)  
 Louisiana Connect [www.louisianaconnect.org](http://www.louisianaconnect.org)  
 Are You Going? [www.college.gov](http://www.college.gov)  
 Know How To Go [www.knowhow2go.org](http://www.knowhow2go.org)

**Federal Student Aid**

US Department of Education [www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)  
 FAFSA on the Web [www.fafsa.ed.gov/](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/)  
 Pin Website [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov)  
 FAFSA 4caster [www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov)

**Free Scholarship Searches**

Adventures in Education Scholarship Search: [www.aie.org/Scholarships/](http://www.aie.org/Scholarships/)  
 College Answer Scholarship Search <https://www.collegeanswer.com/registration/Registration.aspx?mode=scholar>  
 College Board [http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch\\_ss/welcome.jsp](http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp)  
 College Toolkit Scholarship Search <http://scholarships.collegetoolkit.com/scholarship/main.aspx>  
 EducationPlanner.org [www.educationplanner.org](http://www.educationplanner.org)  
 FastWeb [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)  
 International Financial Aid and College Scholarship Search [www.iefaa.org/](http://www.iefaa.org/)  
 Mach25 [www.collegenet.com/mach25/app](http://www.collegenet.com/mach25/app)  
 My Free Degree [www.myfreedegree.com](http://www.myfreedegree.com)  
 Scholarship Experts [www.scholarshipexperts.com](http://www.scholarshipexperts.com)  
 Sallie Mae <http://www.salliemae.com/>  
 Scholarships.com [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)  
 SRN Express <http://www.studentscholarshipsearch.com/>  
 U.S. Department of Education Scholarship Search: <http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/grants-scholarships/finding-scholarships>

**Testing Services**

ACT [www.actstudent.org/](http://www.actstudent.org/)  
 College Board (SAT, PSAT, AP exams) [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

**Loan Servicers**

Nelnet [www.nelnet.com](http://www.nelnet.com)  
 Sallie Mae [www.salliemae.com](http://www.salliemae.com)

**College Guides**

Peterson's Guide [www.petersons.com/](http://www.petersons.com/)  
 The Princeton Review [www.princetonreview.com/](http://www.princetonreview.com/)

**Louisiana Public Universities**

Grambling State University [www.gram.edu/](http://www.gram.edu/)  
 Louisiana State University – Alexandria [www.lsua.edu/](http://www.lsua.edu/)  
 Louisiana State University – Baton Rouge [www.lsu.edu/](http://www.lsu.edu/)  
 Louisiana State University – Eunice [www.lsu.eunice.edu/](http://www.lsu.eunice.edu/)  
 Louisiana State University – Health Science Center New Orleans [www.lsu.hsc.edu/](http://www.lsu.hsc.edu/)  
 Louisiana State University – Health Science Center Shreveport [www.sh.lsu.hsc.edu/index.html](http://www.sh.lsu.hsc.edu/index.html)  
 Louisiana State University – Shreveport [www.lsus.edu/](http://www.lsus.edu/)  
 Louisiana Tech University [www.latech.edu/](http://www.latech.edu/)  
 McNeese State University [www.mcneese.edu/](http://www.mcneese.edu/)  
 Nicholls State University [www.nicholls.edu](http://www.nicholls.edu)  
 Northwestern State University [www.nsula.edu](http://www.nsula.edu)  
 Southeastern Louisiana University [www.selu.edu](http://www.selu.edu)  
 Southern University – Baton Rouge [www.subr.edu/](http://www.subr.edu/)  
 Southern University – New Orleans [www.suno.edu/](http://www.suno.edu/)  
 Southern University – Shreveport [www.susla.edu/](http://www.susla.edu/)  
 University of New Orleans [www.uno.edu/](http://www.uno.edu/)  
 University of Louisiana at Lafayette [www.ull.edu/](http://www.ull.edu/)  
 University of Louisiana at Monroe [www.ulm.edu/](http://www.ulm.edu/)





# FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



Friday, October 21 7:00 pm  
**vs. Abbeville Wildcats\***  
 Week 8 - Cheer, Dance, Football Senior Night  
*Pink Out Dress up Theme*



Friday, October 28 7:00 pm  
**@ Crowley Gents \***  
 Week 9  
*Halloween Dress up Theme*



Friday, November 4 7:00 pm  
**@ Donaldsonville Tigers**  
 Week 10  
*Jersey Dress up Theme*

# "The Pride of Erath"

## Marching Contest Schedule

Show title: Sweet Dreams!

Monday, October 17  
 District Marching Assessment @ ULL

Saturday, October 22  
 Nish AM/Thibodeaux PM

Saturday, October 29  
 Northwestern State Championships

Saturday, November 5  
 South Lafourche Marching Contest

Saturday, November 12  
 Showcase of Marching Bands State Championships



# EHS CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

10/29	Vermilion Parish/District 5-3A Championships	QSA, Erath, LA
11/03	REGION II – Division III CC Championships	Highland Park, Baton Rouge, LA
	Girls - 9:00am	
	Boys – 11:15am	
11/14	Division III CC State Championships	Northwestern State University Natchitoches, LA

# EHS SWIM TEAM SCHEDULE

Swim Meet: **Tuesday, October 25th - 4:00pm**  
 Robicheaux Recreation Center

3A District Swim Meet: **Wednesday, November 2nd - 9:00am**  
 Robicheaux Recreation Center

Top 16 Regional Swim Meet: **Saturday, Nov. 5th - 7:45am**  
 Robicheaux Recreation Center

LHSAA State Swim Meet: **November 16th -19th**  
 Sulphur Recreation and Aquatic Center