

# LHS Counseling Office Communicator

Spring 2020

## Senior Check List

1. FAFSA Complete
2. TIP Eligibility (Check!)
3. Work on Scholarships
4. Check/Compare College Award letters!
5. Decide where you are attending!

## College Visits...now is the time to find the

right fit for you! 10<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grades! Going in person may not be an option right now, but what about a virtual tour?

*\*\*Look at individual college websites!\*\**

<https://www.usnews.com/education/best-colleges/articles/2019-07-30/how-to-make-the-most-of-virtual-college-tours> Check out 'how to

make the most of your virtual college tours, what to look for and other tips'. Short article.

The following sites are great virtual tours sites:

1. <https://campustours.com/>
2. [www.ecampustours.com/campus-tours.aspx](http://www.ecampustours.com/campus-tours.aspx)
3. [www.youvisit.com](http://www.youvisit.com)

## Transcripts are now ONLINE!

(Seniors must have a Parchment account!)

Sign up for your free account at **Parchment.com** to send transcripts to Michigan colleges and universities. *Michigan colleges only want electronic transcripts!* Information in the counseling office, or on the LHS website counseling link.

**Michigan Colleges will take either SAT and/or ACT scores—or both! Retaking your SAT/ACT can mean money for college.**

### **Act Test Dates**

June 13, 2020(register by May 8)

Register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

***Dd you know that ACT gives out 20 \$14,000 scholarships to students who take the ACT?***

***Random drawings!***

### **SAT Test Date**

August 29, 2020

Register online at

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register>

Register online at  
**Free Sat Prep!**

Now available to all: Free SAT prep from your own home. [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org) is the ONLY place to get official, no cost, comprehensive SAT prep: take practice tests, prep, track progress and much more.

## **ASVAB test**

**The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery ) Unsure of your career pathway? This may help show you the way. The ASVAB Test will be given again in the fall at LHS. Date TBA**

## **FAFSA for Seniors!**

IF you have not yet completed your FAFSA, please do so! The sooner high school seniors complete their FAFSA the more money they will be eligible to receive to help pay for college. Remember, help is still available through college financial aid offices, and your counselors. Check your FAFSA's to see if they are complete! It is your future.

## **10<sup>th</sup> Graders: How Are You Going to Pay for College?**

**Consider Lapeer Early College! It's not too late. Earn up to an Associate's Degree before you leave LHS.**

Applications for this cohort are being taken now! Please contact Mrs Ciaramella or Mrs Pecore. Parents are welcome to contact their counselors with questions or

[jciaramella@lapeerschools.org](mailto:jciaramella@lapeerschools.org) (l-z)

[jpecore@lapeerschools.org](mailto:jpecore@lapeerschools.org) (a-k)

How do we Communicate with you?

*Stay Connected; Be "Reminded!"*

*Receive text reminders from the 99 office about important dates, events, opportunities!*

**Class of 2020 (Seniors)**

**text @b676ge to 81010**

**Class of 2021 (Juniors)**

**text @egbf2d to 81010**

**Class of 2022 (Sophomores)**

**text @bggcd4 to 81010**

Remind is a free, safe, simple messaging tool which helps us share important reminders with students and parents. ALL personal info is kept private. We never see your phone number. For questions, contact Mrs. Pecore.

## **Online Scholarship Search Reference**

***It is not too early to start applying!***

Check out these free scholarship search/help sites:

[www.michigan.gov/ssg](http://www.michigan.gov/ssg) click on Planning for College tab for **Affording College in Michigan Guidebook**

[www.scholarship-monkey.com](http://www.scholarship-monkey.com) scholarship search

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[www.studentscholarshipsearch.com/ebook](http://www.studentscholarshipsearch.com/ebook) scholarship search secrets

[www.zinch.com](http://www.zinch.com) clearinghouse for scholarships and [www.usafunds.org/planning/access to education scholarship](http://www.usafunds.org/planning/access_to_education_scholarship)

<http://schoolsoup.com/scholarship-directory>

<http://www.studentaid.edgov/types/grants-scholarships/finding-scholarships> U.S.deptofedresources.

and submit to LHS dropbox by May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

## Lapeer Athletic Booster Club Scholarship

Graduating seniors who have played for at least one season on a varsity team are eligible for a Lapeer Athletic Booster Club Scholarship. Candidates will submit an essay, letter of recommendation from the coach, and resume/list of activities. Application must be received by May 22, 2020. Email app and all documents to [Lapeerboosters@gmail.com](mailto:Lapeerboosters@gmail.com)

## ***Current Scholarships Available***

### **College Board Opportunity Scholarships (Juniors!)**

Qualify for multiple scholarships awarded throughout the school year just by completing the official SAT practice! Do you use KHAN Academy? The more you practice, the more money you may win! <https://opportunity.collegeboard.org>

### **"Raise.me" Scholarship Opportunity for 9-11<sup>th</sup> grades!**

RAISE.Me is a great opportunity to research colleges, earn money by taking challenging classes and being successful, volunteering, participating in clubs, sports, and more! Students are rewarded for leadership skills in and out of school. Get motivated, get rewarded by RAISE.Me! Check it out now...for later rewards \$\$\$

**\*\*Please see your Remind account, contact LHS counseling office secretary [Kaalbertsberg@lapeerschools.org](mailto:Kaalbertsberg@lapeerschools.org), or Mrs Abraham at [sabraham@lapeerschools.org](mailto:sabraham@lapeerschools.org) for complete applications for the following scholarships.**

### **Hadley Lions Scholarship**

A senior with plans to attend college/university or trade school, minimum GPA 2.5, and residing in Hadley (or has affiliation with Hadley Lions Club) may apply for this \$1000 award. Essay is required along with recommendation letter and activities sheet. Due date has been extended to May 15, 2020.

### **The Bonnie and Ed LeClair Scholarship**

Graduating seniors with a GPA of 3.0 or better, attending college/university in the fall may qualify for this \$1000 scholarship. Applicants must show involvement in school and community. Please complete application

### **The Larry M Payne Sr Memorial Scholarship**

LHS seniors who plan to attend an accredited post-secondary institution for the purpose of seeking a career in the culinary field can apply for this (new!) \$1500 scholarship. Minimum GPA is 2.5, SAT scores, and letter of recommendation are required. Application must be postmarked by May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

### **The Lapeer County EMS Association Larry Peplinski Memorial Scholarship**

LHS Seniors who plan to pursue a career in the medical field may apply for this \$500 award by May 20, 2020. Minimum GPA is 2.5, essay, letter of recommendation, transcript, SAT/ACT scores are required.

## **Opportunity Knocks!**

**Summer School information is in the works! Watch for notifications regarding dates, times, and format of Summer School.**

### **Powerschool Passwords/usernames:**

Remember that students have their own unique Powerschool username and password which will be necessary to access Xello and other programs! Parent accounts will not be able to log into Xello as users! Contact your school for your Powerschool information.