

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 2/18: Presidents' Day Holiday
- 2/19: Parent / Teacher Conf., 8-11 a.m. & 3-6 p.m. (No school for students)
- 3/8: Registration Deadline for April ACT
- 3/11: Mandatory TN Promise Meeting with TN Achieves, 5:30 p.m.
- 3/13: End of 3rd 9 Weeks
- 3/20: Report Cards Issued
- 3/25-3/29: Spring Break

Senior News

Bolivar Central High School

LAST SEMESTER REMINDERS

Can you believe your last semester of high school is finally here? I want to commend those of you who have been so proactive in preparing for your post-secondary education. For those of you who are feeling overwhelmed, it's not too late to get busy! Here are some things to keep in mind:

- Many schools require 7th semester transcripts showing your grades from last semester. Those are ready to be sent. You will need to fill out another pink transcript request form before I can send those.
- The deadline for TN

Promise community service hours will be here before you know it! You must have 8 hours, and I have several suggestions for places you can get these if you are having a hard time finding something.

- If you have not re-taken the ACT, the April test date would be a great opportunity for you to do so. See me if you are in need of a waiver.

Finally, congratulations to all of you for meeting the Feb. 1st TN Promise FAFSA deadline! Remember, if you submitted

your FAFSA using the shortcut with Dr. Powell or myself (without parental financial information or signatures), you will have to go back in and do that soon. I'll be glad to help, so feel free to have your parents contact me to set up an appointment to do this. You should then receive information financial aid information from the schools you listed on the FAFSA. If you need to add or delete schools on your FAFSA, I will be glad to help you with that as well!

Be sure to consult your TN Achieves Student Handbook for TN Promise information or visit www.tnachieves.org.



ACT Test Dates & Registration Deadlines:

Test Date	Deadline
April 13	March 8
June 8	May 3
July 13	June 14

Our college acceptance bulletin board is growing! If you have not yet brought your acceptance letter to me, or if you have additional letters you'd like posted, drop them by my office as soon as possible so we can celebrate this accomplishment with you!

***PLEASE REFER TO THE BACK OF THIS NEWS-LETTER FOR A LIST OF CURRENT SCHOLARSHIPS!**

WHAT DO I DO NOW?

SENIOR YEAR TIMELINE:

January to May

- If you need it, get help completing the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).
- Ask your school counselor now to send first semester transcripts to schools where you applied. In May, they will need to send final transcripts to the college you will attend.
- Visit colleges that have invited you to enroll.

- Decide which college to attend, and notify the school of your decision.
- Keep track of and observe deadlines for sending in all required fees and paperwork.
- Notify schools you will not attend of your decision.
- Continue to look for scholarship opportunities.
- Keep track of important financial aid and scholarship

deadlines.

- Watch the mail for your Student Aid Report (SAR)—it should arrive four weeks after the FAFSA is filed.
- Compare financial aid packages from different schools.
- Notify your college about any outside scholarships you received.

The above timeline can be found on www.knowhow2go.org. Visit this website for other helpful hints on how to start preparing now for life after high school!