

Planning for Life after High School

TEST PREPARATION RESOURCES

ACT:

- An excellent and thorough ACT prep program is available through Xello at www.sdmylife.com. Sign in and then go to the **Method Test Prep** found on the lower right side of your homepage for over 20 hours of free preparation and sample tests. Please see Miss Shannon with questions regarding logins.
- “Question of the Day” www.actstudent.org/qotd/.

SAT:

- For a free, interactive SAT test prep program to prepare for either the current SAT or the revised SAT (beginning in March, 2016) go to: www.khanacademy.org/test-prep/sat. This program was co-developed by the College Board and Khan Academy.
- “Question of the Day” www.sat.collegeboard.org/practice/sat-question-of-the-day.

NOTE:

- Test preparation books for the ACT, SAT & ASVAB are available from Miss Shannon.
- For additional resources for the ASVAB go to www.military.com/join-armed-forces/asvab.
- If you can't afford the registration fee for the ACT or SAT test, see Miss Shannon for fee waiver information. This may help waive college application fees also.

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

- Explore the Student Guide at: www.studentaid.ed.gov – U.S. Department of Education's site for free information on preparing for and funding education beyond high school.
- Visit www.fafsa.ed.gov for the FAFSA form that you fill out for federal student aid or check out the free **Financial Aid Estimator Tool – FAFSA4caster**. This provides students with an early estimate of their eligibility for federal student financial assistance.
- Planning on attending a SD College or Tech school? The **SD Opportunity Scholarship** requirements are found at <https://sdos.sdbor.edu/>.
- **State scholarships** (including the new Build Dakota scholarship which gives free rides to SD tech school programs) are listed at <http://sdmylife.com/students/financial-resources/>.
- **SDMYLife** will also match you with national scholarships. Log in at www.sdmylife.com and click on the “Financial Aid” tab.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- **Are you the first in your family to continue your education after high school?** For support and information go to: <http://youcango.collegeboard.org/> or <http://www.firstinthefamily.org/highschool/Introduction.html/>.
- www.cappex.com Here you will find college search, scholarships, & college admission chances.
- www.collegeboard.com This site has information on SAT, also on finding, applying to, and paying for college. Check out the College Matchmaker and My Organizer Tools.

- www.collegefund.org The American Indian College Fund provides Native American students scholarships for those attending tribal and non-tribal colleges. In addition to American Indian College Fund scholarships, you'll find additional resources to help pay for your education.
- www.fastweb.com This free service from Monster.com allows users to search over 1.3 million scholarships worth more than \$3 billion.
- <http://mappingyourfuture.org> This is a resource for career, college, financial aid and money management information.
- www.petersons.com You can use Peterson's to find the College Compatibility Tool, college info, and admissions advice to find the best college.
- www.princetonreview.com This includes print and online resources which include college rankings, scholarship information, admission advice and test prep options.
- www.questbridge.org They connect the brightest low income students to the best universities and programs. Scholarships and summer programs are available.
- www.scholarships.com This site has free scholarship and grant information. When you register here it helps colleges to find and recruit you.

MILITARY INFORMATION

- <http://www.military.com/join-armed-forces/asvab> In addition to information for current military, this site provides practice information for the ASVAB test.
- <http://www.myfuture.com> Sponsored by the Department of Defense, this highlights career, college and military information.
- <http://www.todaysmilitary.com> The information on this site will help you carefully weigh the opportunities and benefits service has to offer. Includes information on the ASVAB test and military academies.
- www.fastweb.com Besides scholarship information, this site has information on the military including information regarding educational benefits.

PLAYING SPORTS IN COLLEGE

To be eligible to play in college, sign up at the **NCAA Eligibility Center** at www.eligibilitycenter.org or the **NAIA Eligibility Center** at <http://www.playnaia.org/>. It is suggested that you register during your junior year.