

Tips on how to Survive Senior Year!

TO DO:

Survive &
Thrive

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Senior Year

AN EXCITING AND OVERWHELMING YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL



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Starting Today:

Military Bound Students

- Take the ASVAB--We offer it at the high school in December
- Talk with recruiter(s)

College Bound Students:

- Begin narrowing down your college choices.
 - If you have not taken a college visit, consider taking one
 - Pick up the paperwork in the counseling center
- Take an ACT
 - Register at act.org
 - We offer an ACT Prep class at the high school

Career & Tech Ed Students:

- Consider attending OTC Career Center OR
- Consider GO CAPS
- Participate in a Job Shadow experience
 - See Mrs. Horgan in the Counseling Center for details

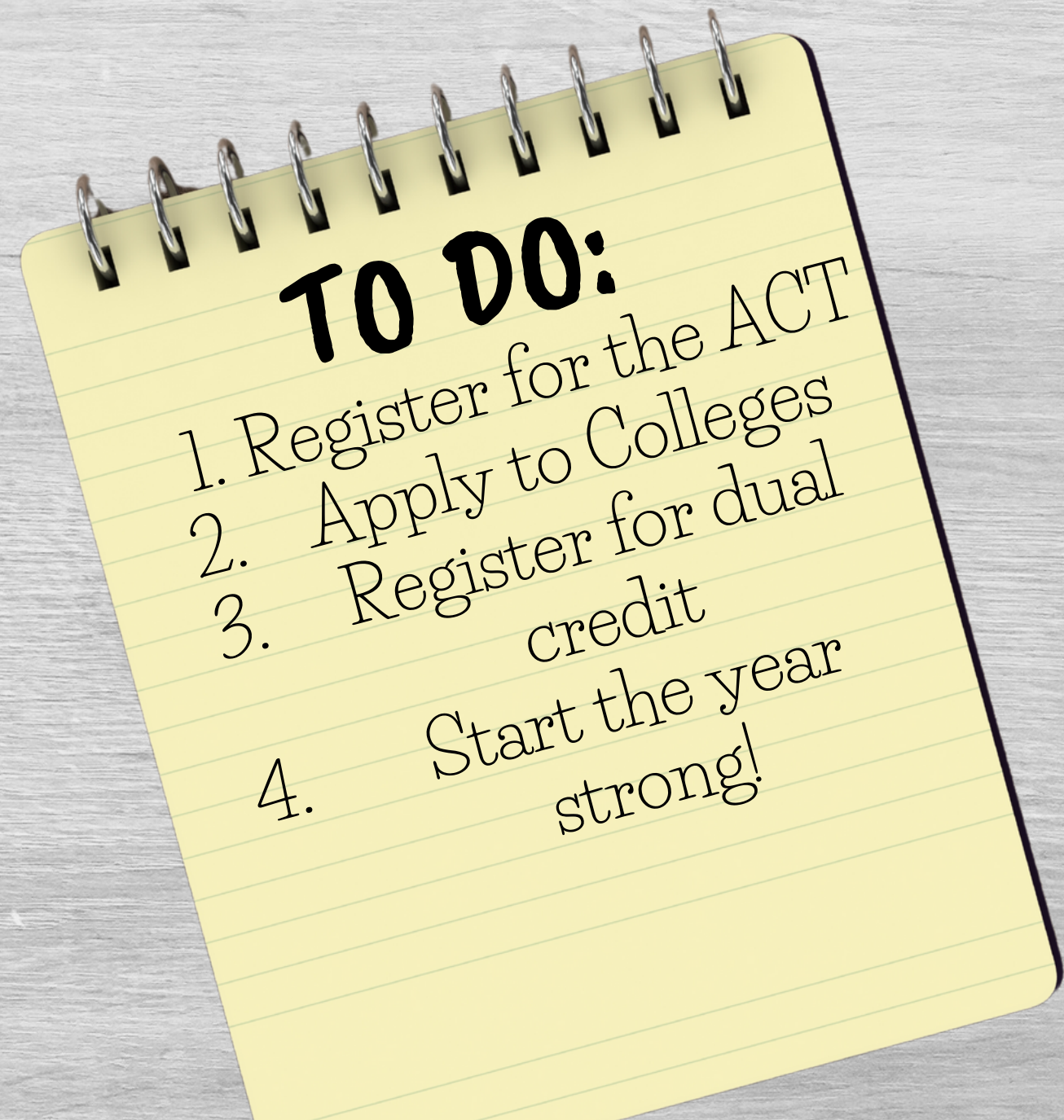
August

START STRONG!

- Make sure you are enrolled in rigorous classes
 - You need to be enrolled in six credited classes for an Academic Letter
- If you are involved in a MSHSAA activity, make sure you are enrolled and pass **six** credited classes the semester **before** and the semester **during** the activity
- If playing a sport at the next level, make sure you meet the NCAA/NAIA requirements
- If you are going to earn the A+ Scholarship, make sure you are on track for meeting the requirements
 - 95% attendance
 - 2.5 GPA
 - 50 hours of tutoring
 - Advanced or Proficient on the Algebra I EOC or a qualifying score on the math section of the ACT
 - Good Citizenship

August:

- Start applying to colleges on August 1st
 - Request your transcript through Parchment
 - Students will get an invitation in their school email to set up their account
- Register for dual credit classes (if applicable) through Missouri State
- Watch for the September ACT deadline
 - August 4th is the deadline for the September ACT



September:

- If you're still unsure of a college, take a college visit.
- ACT: September 9th
- Make sure your dual credit registration is complete
- Create your FSA ID (Students and Parents)

TO DO:

1. Check on dual credit registration
2. Create my FSA ID

October ACT Deadline is September 22nd

October:

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

- The FAFSA opens **October 1st**
 - Attend the FAFSA Frenzy if you want help with completing your FAFSA
 - FAFSA is **REQUIRED** for the A+ Scholarship
 - Some money is there until it is gone
 - The FAFSA is tied to some scholarships and federal/state financial aid

College/Career Fair

- Typically held the second Tuesday in October
- Check out the career opportunities if you are not going to college

ACT is October 28th

December:

- Finish 1st semester strong!
- December ACT is December 9th (deadline to register is November 3rd)
- Military bound students: Take the ASVAB
- Students leaving us at semester, make sure you have taken a qualifying test
 - College bound: ACT/SAT
 - Military: ASVAB
 - Workforce: WorkKeys
- Check on college scholarship deadlines. Some are as early as December.

January:

- Register for second semester dual credit classes.
- ACT deadline for February is January 5th
- Double check MSHSAA eligibility
- Start second semester strong!

February:

ACT February 10th

- Local scholarships open February 1st
- FAFSA Priority Deadline is February 1st

Scholarships due NLT 3:00 pm March 1st, 2022

- ☐ Pure Romance, \$500

Scholarships due NLT 3:00pm March 11th, 2022:

- ☐ Nathan Gregory Leave a Legacy \$500
- ☐ Ozark Chapter Missouri Society of Professional Engineers, \$1,500 (X2)

Scholarships due NLT 3:00pm March 25, 2022:

- ☐ Leona Dunham Scholarship, \$Varies
- ☐ Nixa Athletic Booster Club, \$1,000(X2).
- ☐ Dr. William “Bill” Campbell, \$2,000 (X2)
- ☐ Central Bank Scholarship. \$500
- ☐ Richard Lee Gregg \$250
- ☐ Julie Wilson \$Varies
- ☐ Nixa Teachers’ Association \$500
- ☐ Jake D. Johnston, U Matter Memorial Scholarship \$1,000
- ☐ Riann Lubinski Memorial, \$Varies

MAIL OR DELIVER TO SPONSOR:

- ☐ Christian County Retired School Personnel varies. (March 31, 2022) *Address on App.*
- ☐ 2D Visual Arts Scholarship, \$undecided (March 23, 2022) *Deliver to Ms. Johnson*
- ☐ MSTTA Scholarship, \$undecided (March 25, 2022) *Deliver to Mrs. Newberry*
- ☐ 3D Art Scholarship, \$varies (April 6, 2022) *Deliver to Ryan Widel*
- ☐ Sucker Day King/Queen \$1,000 (April 5, 2022) *See your Fine Art Instructor*
- ☐ Hero Run 5K (March 25, 2022)

Alternative Education Scholarship \$1,000—March 13

Arthur G. Tesar Scholarship \$4,500—March 13

Betty H. King \$3,000—March 13

Camp Arrowhead Staff Scholarship \$1,000—March 13

Community Foundation Memorial Scholarship \$1,000—March 13

Daniel DiSylvester Memorial Soccer \$2,000—March 13

Diane and Peter Christodoulou Memorial \$1,500—March 13

Doug Nimmo Memorial. \$450—March 13 **NIXA ONLY**

EFCO Sales Rep Scholarship \$1,000—March 13

Foster Care Scholarship \$1,000—March 13

Glenn & Irene Ball Scholarship. \$550 March 13 **NIXA ONLY**

Gravelin Scholarship \$450—March 13

Greater Ozarks Chapter of the National Association of Orthopedic Nurses \$800—March 13

Gunner Lee Thomason Autism Scholarship \$650—March 13

Harding Family Foundation Scholarship \$1,800—March 13 **NIXA ONLY**

Henry J. and Lucille J. Straus Scholarship \$6,000—March 13

Henry Joseph Struck Memorial \$6,000—March 13

Jackie Johns Scholarship \$650—March 13 **NIXA ONLY**

James Craig Carr Memorial \$2,500—March 13

Jim and Shirley Cook, \$750—March 13

Kevin “Cub” Martin \$1,000—March 13 **NIXA ONLY**

Kevin Umlauf Memorial \$750—March 13

Liv a Life of Love \$600—March 13

Missouri Association of RC & D Councils Scholarship \$1,600—March 13

Nixa Alumni Century of Learning \$850—March 13 **NIXA ONLY**

Physical Therapy Specialist/Nathan Murphy Scholarship \$650—March 13

Schierloh Family Scholarship—March 13

Shelby Estep Memorial Scholarship \$650—March 13

Southwest Cattlemen’s Association \$Multiple—March 13

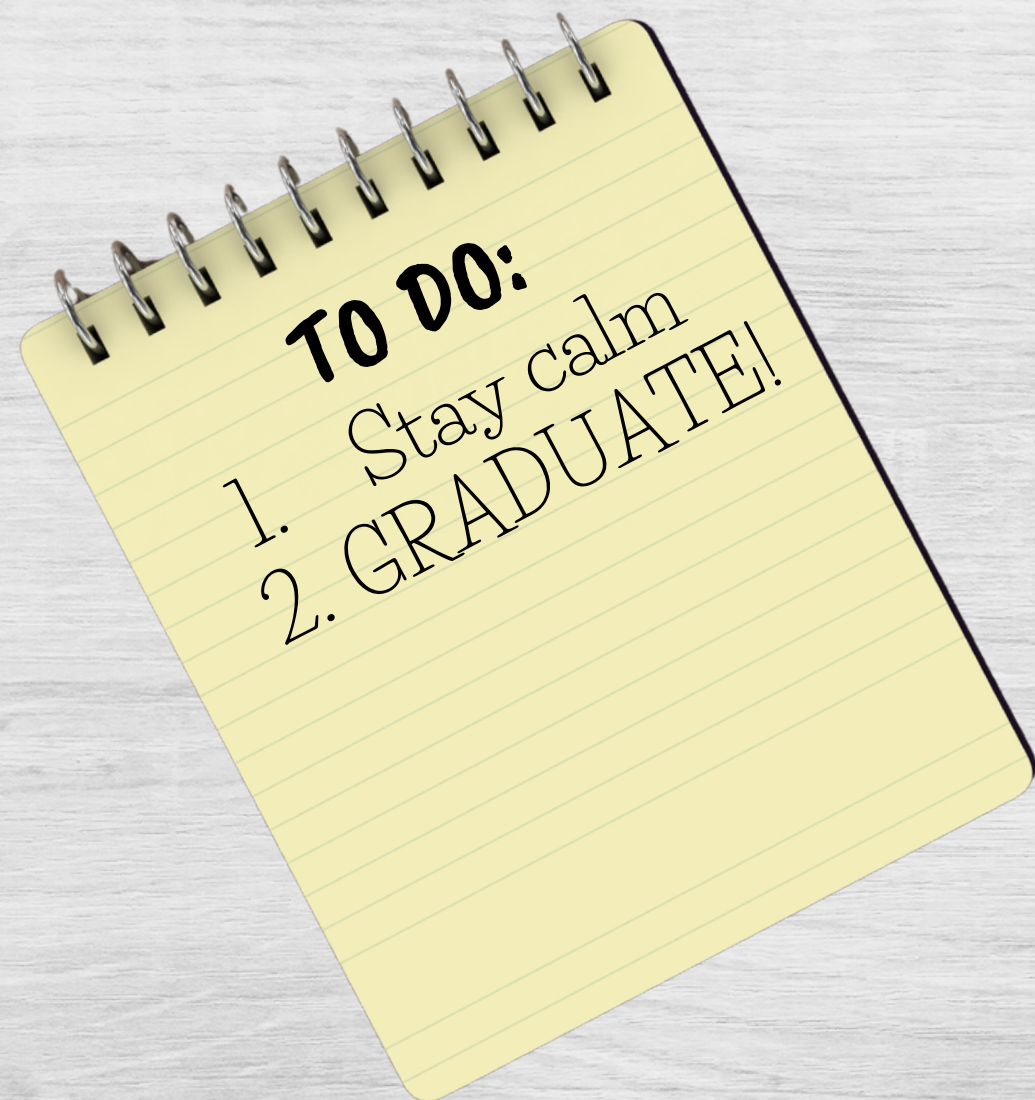
Southwest Missouri Resource Conservation and Development Scholarship \$2,500—March 13

Springfield Tech Council \$750—March 13

April:



- ACT: April 13th
- STAR Session at OTC
 - Students can do their orientation at OTC and have assistance registering for Summer/Fall Semester classes



May:

Scholarship Night

Senior Finals

Senior Trip

Senior Breakfast

Graduation Practice

Project Graduation

AP Testing

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Additional Helpful Information



Senior Opportunities:

OTC Career Center

- 20 Technical Programs
- AM or PM Sessions
- College Credit (for free) at OTC
- New Manufacturing Center



**OZARKS TECHNICAL
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
Career Center

The logo for the Ozarks Technical Community College Career Center. It features the college's name in a bold, blue, serif font, with "OZARKS TECHNICAL" on the top line and "COMMUNITY COLLEGE" on the bottom line. Below the name is a horizontal line, and underneath that is the words "Career Center" in a blue, italicized serif font. The entire logo is set against a white background with a faint, circular seal of the college in the background.

GO CAPS

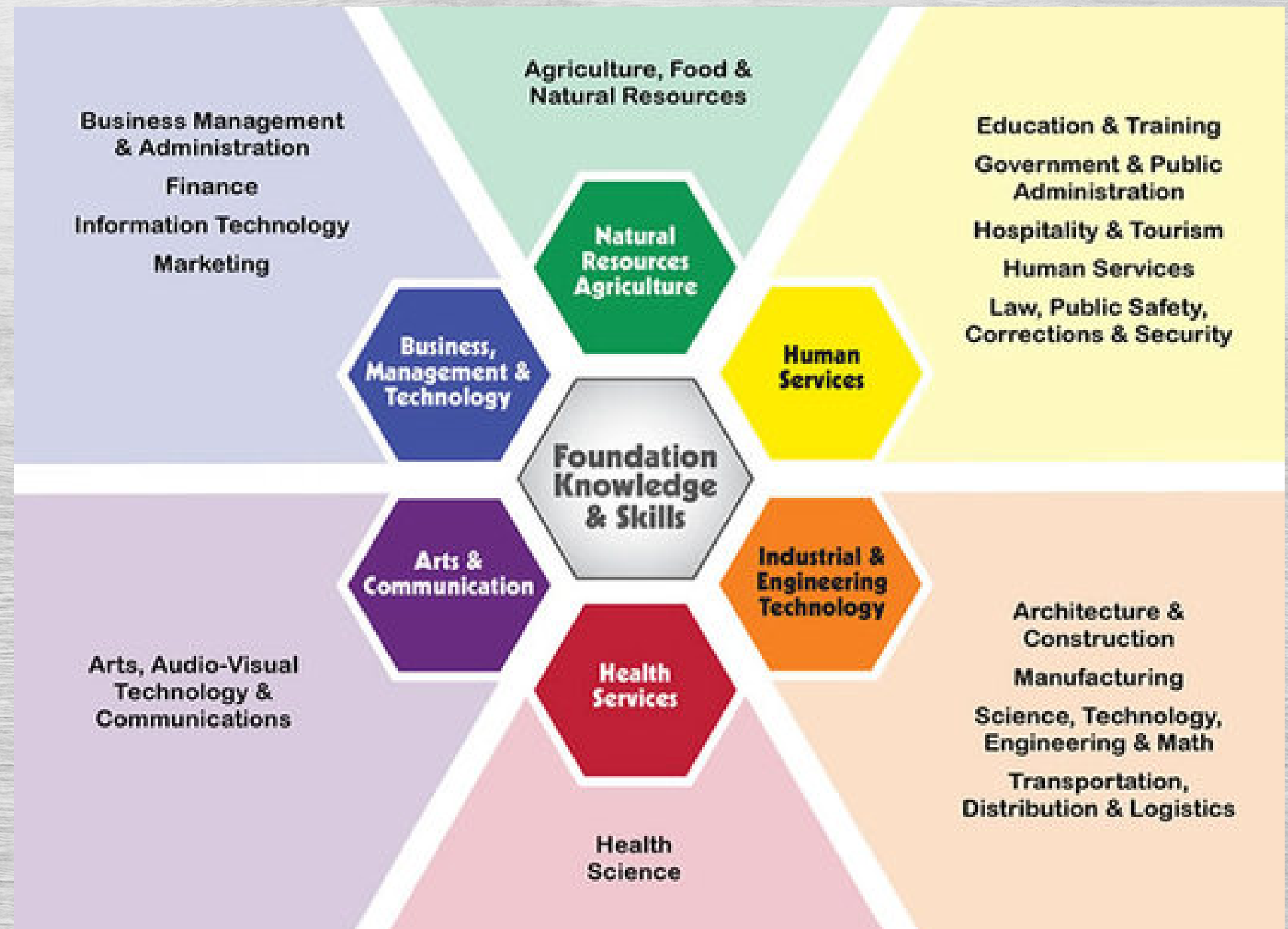
- 3 Strands Available
- AM or PM Sessions
- Dual Credit options
- Test Drive Your Career



College and Career Exploration:

Missouri Connections

- Students log in through Canvas
- Career Exploration
- College Exploration
- Interest Surveys



Scholarships:

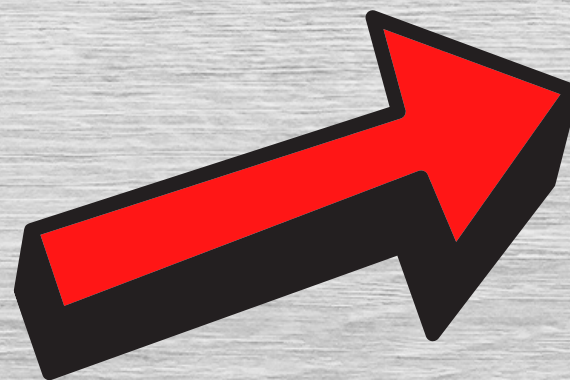
Merit:

- Based on specific actions
 - ACT
 - GPA
- Automatic



Competitive:

- Interview
- Essay
- Performance



Check colleges for deadlines!
Know your deadlines!
Adhere to all deadlines!



Where can my student find scholarships?

- Start with the college they are attending. OTC has scholarships that stack with A+
- Counselor's website
- Parent's place of employment
- Fraternal organizations (Elks, Masons, etc.)
- Church
- Scholarship websites
 - College Board
 - Scholarships.com
 - SallieMae
 - Going Merry

WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

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