

## Virtual Visits with IU and U of L

Indiana University will be hosting a virtual visit on **September 16, 2020** at 1:00 pm via Zoom. The University of Louisville will be hosting a virtual visit on **September 24, 2020** from 9:30-10:00 am on Zoom. If you are interested in signing up, please log in to Canvas and sign up in the College Rep Visits 2020 course under the corresponding module.

## Lilly Endowment Scholarship

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship application for 2020 graduates is now available for residents of Clark and Floyd Counties. Completed applications are due by noon on **September 14, 2020**. Visit <https://southernindianascholarships.communityforce.com/Funds/Search.aspx#4371597136646D517975544F5976596D4E73384E69673D3D> to apply (a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA is required) and be sure to indicate Kevin Wilson as your school counselor. Residents of Clark or Floyd Counties may complete this application. The scholarship offers **full tuition to any four-year accredited Indiana public or private college**. Please let Mr. Wilson know ASAP if you intend to apply. Other scholarships administered by the Community Foundation of Southern Indiana are open for application beginning in December at <https://www.cfsouthernindiana.com/scholarships/apply-for-scholarships/> (click on 2020-21 Scholarship Information Packet).

## Test Preparation for College Admission Tests

ACT Academy is a free personalized online learning tool and test practice program. It allows learners to develop a study plan based on previous test scores or platform diagnostics. To use this test prep tool, visit [www.act.org/academy](http://www.act.org/academy)

Get personalized practice recommendations for the skills you'll need for the SAT, plus eight official practice exams from College Board. Visit <https://www.khanacademy.org/test-prep/sat>

## College admissions testing

College entrance exams provide feedback on academic strengths and college preparedness to Colleges and Universities around the country. Results of one or both tests may be required for admission to most institutions of higher learning. Students are encouraged to take entrance exams at least twice. The following are scheduled national dates of testing for each as well as registration deadlines:

SAT - [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

Test date September 26, 2020	Register by August 26, 2020
Test date October 3, 2020	Register by September 4, 2020
Test date November 7, 2020	Register by October 7, 2020
Test date December 5, 2020	Register by November 5, 2020
Test date March 13, 2021	Register by February 12, 2021
Test date May 8, 2021	Register by April 8, 2021
Test date June 5, 2021	Register by May 6, 2021

ACT – [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

Test date October 10, 17, 24, 25, 2020 Register by September 17, 2020

Test date December 12, 2020  
Test date February 6, 2021  
Test date April 17, 2021  
Test date June 12, 2021  
Test date July 17, 2021

Register by November 6, 2020  
Register by January 8, 2021  
Register by March 12, 2021  
Register by May 7, 2021  
Register by June 18, 2021

## **FSA ID**

The FSA ID — a username and password — has replaced the Federal Student Aid PIN and must be used to log in to certain U.S. Department of Education websites. Your FSA ID confirms your identity when you access your financial aid information and electronically sign Federal Student Aid documents. If you do not already have an FSA ID, you can create one. Please see the instructions on how to set up a FSA ID under Helpful Tips on the Financial Aid & Scholarships link to the right of the Counselors' Home page.

## **CLEP Exams**

CLEP Exams are a great way to earn college credit at a fraction of the cost of a college course. You can earn credit for up to 8 college courses by taking free online courses at <https://modernstates.org/>. To learn more about CLEP exams, visit [https://clep.collegeboard.org/?SFMC\\_cid=EM203001-&rid=47087716](https://clep.collegeboard.org/?SFMC_cid=EM203001-&rid=47087716)

## **NACAC Virtual College Fairs**

Visit more than 600 colleges and universities through NACAC Virtual College Fairs. Representatives will be available via Zoom sessions to give information and answer questions. Fairs will be offered on **September 13, October 12, October 18, and November 8, 2020**. Get more information and register at [virtualcollegefairs.org](http://virtualcollegefairs.org)

## **College Board Opportunity Scholarships**

The College Board has launched a new scholarship program that awards scholarship opportunities to students planning to attend college for the fall of 2021. The College Board Opportunity Scholarships program helps guide students through the college planning process with a chance to earn scholarships for each step they complete, from \$500 to \$40,000. Please sign up for the program and complete the first scholarship by adding at least six schools to your college list on BigFuture™. <https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/>

## **Purdue University Fast Start**

Indiana students have the opportunity to take their first steps toward Purdue University admission with the Purdue Fast Start Program. Purdue's partnership with Modern States, a philanthropy and online learning program for earning college credit, provides free courses and textbooks online plus vouchers to pay for credit bearing exams. Passing five courses, the corresponding CLEP exams, and meeting Purdue's standard admissions requirements assures admission to Purdue. Additionally, Purdue's Fast Start program is a great option for students to take college prep coursework that may be unavailable to

them with virtual learning limitations. Learn more at <https://www.admissions.purdue.edu/purdufaststart/index.php>