

ONLINE RESOURCES

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 **October 12, October 18, and November 8, 2020**. Get more information and register at virtualcollegefairs.org. See flier on Counselors page regarding the Quick Start Guide.

Learn More Indiana

Learn More Indiana offers opportunities for students to look into all colleges and universities in the state of Indiana. See a complete list of all Indiana 2 and 4 year colleges, including a map, or narrow your search to fit size requirements, location or major. <https://learnmoreindiana.org/college/choosing-a-college/#choose-right-college>

Are you ready to start filling out your college applications? Indiana's College application week is **September 21-25, 2020** and many colleges and universities will be waiving their application fees during the week. Find out which colleges will be waiving fees at <https://learnmoreindiana.org/college/applying-to-schools/#app-process>.

Virtual Informational Videos and Tours

Students interested in learning more about various colleges and universities can find virtual tours and information online. Informational videos and resources can be found for the following schools:

Indiana Wesleyan University - <https://www.indwes.edu/undergraduate/visit-campus/>

Florida Bible Institute - <https://vimeo.com/329838341>

Word of Life Bible Institute New York - <https://vimeo.com/330108694>

Eastern Kentucky University - <https://admissions.eku.edu/virtual-admissions-services> ,
<https://www.youvisit.com/tour/eku>

Western Kentucky University - <https://www.wku.edu/admissions/virtualtour/>

Harvard College - <https://college.harvard.edu/admissions/explore-harvard/virtual-tour>

Princeton University - <https://www.youvisit.com/tour/princeton/?pl=v>

University of Virginia - <https://www.youvisit.com/tour/uva?pl=v>

Wellesley College - <https://www.wellesley.edu/admission/visit/schedule#campustours>

Yale College - <https://admissions.yale.edu/virtual-tour>

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/purduefaststart/index.php>

Baylor University Applications

Students can apply for FREE in one of three ways: [Baylor Online Application](#), [Common App](#), or [ApplyTexas](#).

University of Louisville Academic Info Sessions

Students are invited to attend live virtual sessions from each of U of L's nine undergraduate academic units. The sessions will introduce students to program curriculum, learning opportunities (both inside and outside of the classroom), faculty, current students and alumni. For more information or to register, visit <https://apply.louisville.edu/portal/virtual-academic-pres>

Academy Day 2020

The 9th Congressional District will be hosting a virtual U.S. Service Academy Day on **September 19, 2020**. This event is for students and parents who are interested in learning more about the U.S. Military Academy, the U.S. Naval Academy, the U.S Air Force Academy, the US Coast Guard Academy or the US Merchant Marine Academy. All offer free college education to those interested in serving our country. To register and learn more, visit <https://hollingsworth.house.gov/academyday>

Western Kentucky University Virtual Opportunities

Head for the Hill will be offered three times this Fall. This event will include live presentations from academic departments and student services. You can interact with staff and faculty across campus to learn more about life as a Hilltopper. Students can RSVP at wku.edu/headforthehill/index.php DiscoverWKU events will take place throughout the semester and will include a live presentation and Q&A from your local WKU Admissions Counselor as well as a representative from the Office of Student Financial Assistance. Students can RSVP at wku.edu/discoverwku/index.php

Rutgers University Virtual Events

Join Rutgers University for one of three virtual open houses on **September 21** from 6:00-8:00 pm, **October 17** from 10:00 am-12:00 pm, and **November 18** from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. There will be live chat sessions on a variety of topics ranging from fields of study to housing & dining. Register for the events at <https://www.ugadmissions.rutgers.edu/forms/EventsRegister2.aspx?id=101007>

Purdue University Polytechnic Virtual Open House

Purdue University Polytechnic Institute in New Albany will be hosting a virtual open house on **September 30, 2020** from 5:00-7:00 pm. Conversations will include admissions, financial aid, job placement and faculty will be on hand to answer questions. Sign up at <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScpsFzMnKDz-a6elst7EHQpVUT1d23iBnYJ-lqZXBAXY3dBPw/viewform>

Harvard, Princeton, Virginia, Yale, Wellesley

The Colleges and Universities of Harvard, Princeton, Virginia, Yale and Wellesley will be hosting prospective student informational sessions. The dates and links to register are as follows:

October 1, 2020 at 7:00 pm - <https://apps.admissions.yale.edu/register/?id=57092cdc-3aca-4122-90bd-799af3fec304>

October 4, 2020 at 7:00 pm - <https://apps.admissions.yale.edu/register/?id=5bc2414d-ad82-4b0a-b6f5-28c2ad22a3f2>

Virtual Information Sessions at CAI

The counseling office will be hosting virtual visits from University representatives this fall rather than on-campus visits. Students interested in signing up need to log into the College Rep Visits 2020 Canvas course to sign up. The following opportunities are available in September:

University of Louisville – September 24 at 9:30 am

Ball State University – September 29 at 11:00 am

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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/>

The college board has updated the official rules for the class of 2021 to ensure that as many students as possible can take part in the College Board Opportunity Scholarships program to guide them through their college planning journey. https://pages.collegeboard.org/opportunity-scholarships-updates?SFMC_cid=EM351808-&rid=47087716

The Christian Connector

Students can find free Christian college resources at <https://chrisitanconnector.com/chs> Students taking advantage of free Christian College resources are automatically entered in the \$2,500 Christian College Scholarship drawing. Students can also apply to 3 Christian colleges for free by completing one application at <https://applicationU.com>

Gilda's Club Write Stuff Contest

Gilda's Club Louisville will be holding "The Write Stuff" Teen Writing and Visual Arts Contest. The contest is open to all middle and high school students in Kentucky and Southern Indiana who have been impacted by cancer. Students who have been diagnosed with cancer or had a family member diagnosed may submit an original essay, poem, two-dimensional artwork or video. Prizes will be awarded. The deadline to enter is **December 15, 2020**. Information is available at <https://www.gck.org/write-stuff-writing-and-visual-arts-contest/>

Indiana University Scholarships

Any student applying to Indiana University Bloomington can be considered for a variety of scholarships including the Provost's Scholarship for Indiana freshmen, the Dean's Scholarship for out-of-state freshmen, Cox Scholarship for service-minded students and Selective Scholarship Application consideration for specific IU schools and programs. Applications must be submitted by November 1, 2020. Visit <https://scholarships.indiana.edu> or <https://coxscholars.indiana.edu>

If you have any questions about the IU scholarships process, IU has scholarship specialists who are available to help from Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. You can contact their office at 812-855-5779 or scholar@indiana.edu.

Army ROTC Scholarships

Army ROTC offers generous merit-based scholarships to qualified students. The program is offered at 274 colleges around the United States and offers opportunities for full tuition, tax-free allowances for books, supplies, equipment and fees. Additional information can be found at www.goarmy.com/rotc

You can also take advantage of www.march2success.com, a preparatory resource, which provides SAT/ACT programs, free online study programs and college planning tips and guides to help you prepare for standardized tests.

A Virtual college leadership fair, hosted by the U.S. Army Cadet Command, will be held on **September 26, 2020** from 10:00 am- 1:00 pm. This event will allow students to visit with University Army ROTC programs, advisors and student from over 100 universities. Register at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Zj2gzF3jQszbkfGkuyIVvMYAIDxxn_bD9oD4R_EzD3o/viewform?ts=5f3304e9&fbclid=IwAR1xpO1bJPzJ_VXxr_NFI6sBkjbHcxjiRVtT8YO-gpS0FCGBMG3pFiy2oPc&edit_requested=true

Admissions Testing

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

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>

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

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

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

Test date December 12, 2020	Register by November 6, 2020
Test date February 6, 2021	Register by January 8, 2021
Test date April 17, 2021	Register by March 12, 2021
Test date June 12, 2021	Register by May 7, 2021
Test date July 17, 2021	Register by June 18, 2021