

Hello Seniors!

I want to start off by saying how awesome the Friday night lights drive was! There are so many people out there supporting you!

Welcome back from Spring Break! Please take time to read this email and respond to it as I have a number of items in here that are important!

- 1) Scholarships!
 - a. There will be a scholarship drop box at the elementary office. It will be a White/Gold canvas bin. It will have dividers so please place the scholarship in the correct spot. This will be available starting 4/14/20. Drop off time will be between 9-10am every day.
 - b. It is important to start keeping track of any scholarships you have received! I want to be able to honor and recognize your hard work. Start keeping a list and send it to me every once in a while. Most of the local scholarships waited until graduation to announce the recipient...maybe that will change now, I'm not sure. If you have received any scholarships from colleges or larger organizations outside of Odessa, they do not notify me of your award. It will be your responsibility to let me know what you have! ☺ Please list the full name of the scholarship and the amount received next to it.
- 2) High School and Beyond Plan
 - a. It is still a requirement! If you are not done and think you are please let me know. I will start reviewing HSBPS again this week and getting in touch with you if you are not done.
 - b. Job Shadow: those of you who have not completed the job shadow requirement should have all the new information on how to fulfill this part. If you have lost that email and info please let me know and I will resend it.
- 3) Colleges
 - a. If you have confirmed to a college...please let me know! I want to celebrate this excitement with you and help you as best as I can with the transition!
 - b. Cost Comparison Tool: For those of you who are undecided still, or still weighing your options... I attached a cost comparison tool that you can use. It is an interactive excel worksheet. There is a tab for directions too. This will help you put all the colleges side by side so you can compare the financial side of things. If you would like me to help you with this I would be happy to! Please just let me know!
- 4) Graduation
 - a. Your Jostens orders are in and can be picked up between 9am-10am every day at the elementary doors
 - b. I have faith we will find a way to celebrate you all!

Keep up the hard work these last few weeks! You have got this far and we will help get you the rest of the way, and make sure to celebrate the heck out of you! This will be a year to remember.

Stay safe!

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