



THE GUIDANCE NEWSLETTER

April 2021



IMPORTANT DATES

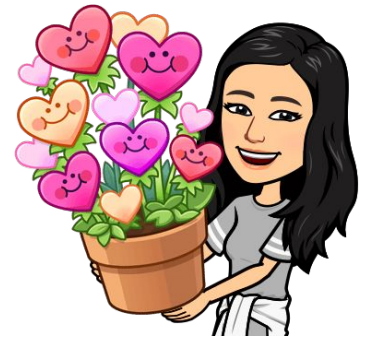
Fri, April 2 --- Good Friday; No School

Sat, April 10 --- NACAC Western US Virtual College Fair

Sun, April 18 --- BigFuture Days (Midwest)

April 19 - 23 --- No School; Spring Break

Thurs, April 29 --- College Planning Q&A with families on Zoom 6:30pm (link to come); BigFuture Days (Central)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Final stretch! We are already in Quarter 4! Gather any remaining energy you have and work hard so that your summer break will feel that much more rewarding!

- All **Juniors** should meet with their counselor at least once more before the end of the quarter to check in on the college search.
- **Seniors**, this is the time to tie up any loose ends. Make sure you are submitting your deposit to colleges by May 1st, send 'Thank You' cards to your recommenders, and update your counselors on any decisions you've made!

MEFA WEBINARS

Parents and students are welcome to attend upcoming MEFA Webinars to learn more about

- managing student loans
- appealing financial aid packages offered by schools
- breaking down college acceptance letters and financial aid packages
- and more!

Visit their website at <https://www.mefa.org/events> to see the complete list of upcoming events and register.

CollegeBoard: BigFuture Days

CollegeBoard is hosting two virtual college fairs in April. This is a great opportunity to speak with college admissions counselors and current students. While sophomores and juniors are strongly encouraged to register and attend, all students, parents, and educators are welcome! Make sure to sign up for each individual BigFuture Day event if you wish to attend more than one. See below for the official flyer.

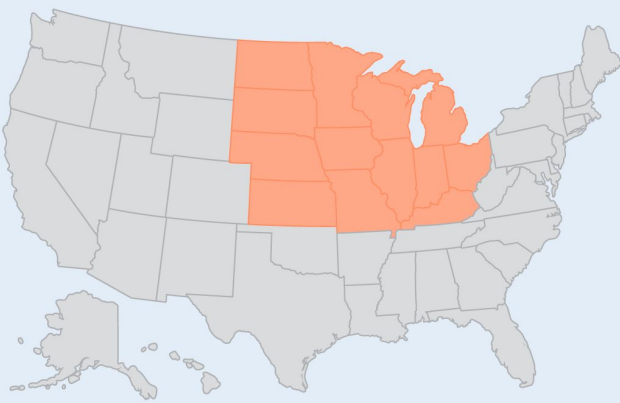
BigFuture Days **Midwest**, Sunday, April 18, 4:00-8:00 PM ET

<https://pages.collegeboard.org/big-future-days/midwest>

BigFuture Day
Midwest

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Iowa	Missouri
Illinois	North Dakota
Indiana	Nebraska
Kansas	Ohio
Kentucky	South Dakota
Michigan	Wisconsin
Minnesota	



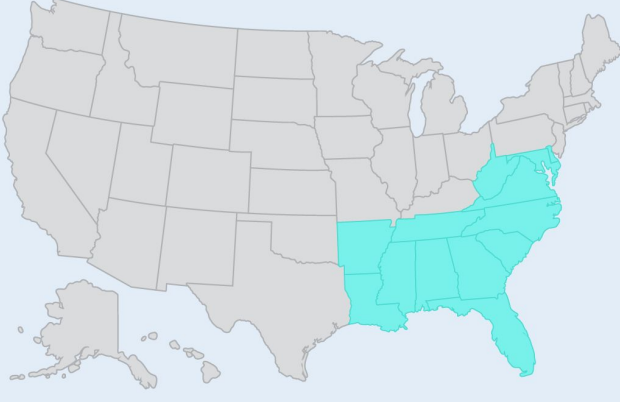
BigFuture Days **Southeast**, Thursday, April 29, 5:00-9:00 PM ET

<https://pages.collegeboard.org/big-future-days/southeast>

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Alabama	Mississippi
Arkansas	North Carolina
Delaware	South Carolina
Florida	Tennessee
Georgia	Virginia
Louisiana	Washington D.C.
Maryland	West Virginia



“The only place success comes before work is in the dictionary.”

-Vince Lombardi

National Association for College Admission Counseling: Virtual College Fairs

The National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) is hosting a series of virtual college fairs for prospective college students. Make sure to register for any interested sessions by signing up [here](#).

[Register for Western US College Fair](#) - Saturday, April 10, 3pm - 7pm EST

[Register for Southeastern US College Fair](#) - April 20, 3pm - 7pm EST

[Register for College Fair](#) - May 2, 1pm - 7pm EST

For the complete list of virtual college fairs, visit their website at <https://virtualcollegefairs.org/events>

NEARR EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

New England Area Regional Representatives (NEARR) have presentations for juniors who are thinking about what or how to go about starting their college essay. Admissions counselors sat down and outlined what makes an essay ‘good’ and things to avoid. Visit their website for this presentation and more

<https://regionalreps.org/admissions-bootcamp>.

COLLEGE SPOTLIGHT SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Location: Syracuse, NY

Type: Private

Website: [www.https://www.syracuse.edu/](https://www.syracuse.edu/)

Fast Facts:

- Medium-sized school - over 15,000 undergraduate students
- Popular majors include Business, Management, Marketing, Communication, Journalism, Social Sciences, and Visual and Performing Arts
- 91% Retention Rate for students returning for sophomore year
- Lots of snow! Perfect for students who enjoy ❄ winters ❄ !

