

OCTOBER 2018 SENIOR UPDATE DIXIE HIGH SCHOOL



Message from Your Counselors

October is here! October is an important month for seniors especially, as many are retaking the ACT before initial college application deadlines, starting to fill out the FAFSA, and starting to look seriously at where they want to apply to college after graduation if they haven't already.

Fortunately, we are here to help assist parents and students with all of these. We understand it can be quite overwhelming to navigate all of the information out there. We meet with college reps from all major Utah universities every year, which gives us the most up-to-date information to pass along to you.

Not applying to college? Come and see us for career advice and job training as well! If you want to go to college at a later date, we can also help you prepare for that.

Sincerely,

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Apply for FAFSA!

The FAFSA (Free Application for Student Aid) opened on **October 1**. It takes about 30 minutes to complete, and opens the door to receiving grants, loans, work study, and scholarships. Many scholarships that require the FAFSA go unclaimed each year because students and parents believe they make too much; however, many scholarships that

require FAFSA are awarded to students that may not demonstrate exceptional financial need. We **highly** encourage EVERY student to complete the FAFSA. Apply [here](#).

Did you know there is now a FAFSA app? Complete the FAFSA directly from your smartphone by using **myStudentAid** app.

If applying for the Regents' scholarship, FAFSA is now a requirement to complete your application.

FAFSA Class Presentation

On **October 15th & 16th**, the counselors will be coming to your student's Financial Literacy class to present on FAFSA and how to apply for it. We encourage all seniors to apply for financial aid, regardless of family income.

Scholarship Information

There are many scholarships available for seniors to be applying to right now! There are applications available in the counseling office, or you can view our scholarships database [here](#).

Honors Diploma

Any senior intending to graduate with an honors diploma should double check their transcript and current course schedule to make sure they have completed all the requirements. Requirements can be found [here](#). **If you have any concerns or questions, please talk to your counselor ASAP.**

Transcript Requests

To request transcripts to be sent to a college, please contact Mrs. Bauman, our registrar, in the counseling center.

If you are in/have taken a CE class through DSU, you will need to send colleges your DSU transcript as well. You can request DSU transcripts [here](#).

CTE Internships

Do you want the chance to work in a career field you're interested in as a senior? **Contact Mr. Manny** about a CTE internship for spring semester! Earn high school credit (and possibly a job after internship is over). **Hurry, all internship requests must be made by the end of the month!**

Is your student graduating May 23?

In order to participate in graduation ceremonies and get their diploma, seniors must meet all graduation requirements and all fines must be paid in full. You can check your student's current grades and transcript on Powerschool.

NCAA Eligibility

A student who could potentially participate in college athletics needs to meet specific academic requirements in order to be eligible. Please see your counselor for more details.

UTAH COLLEGE DEADLINES 2018-2019

*Academic, Department, Leadership, Diversity and other scholarship deadlines vary at all colleges/universities. It is the responsibility of the student to check all scholarship deadlines for the colleges/universities that they are interested in.

INSTITUTION	ADMISSION DEADLINE	SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE
Brigham Young University	December 15	February 1
BYU Idaho	February 1	February 1
BYU Hawaii	February 1	February 1
Dixie State College	Open	March 1
LDS Business College	August 31	March 1
Salt Lake Community	August 17	February 1
Snow College	Open	March 1
Southern Utah University	May 1	Priority - December 1 Final-February 1
University of Utah	Priority - December 1 Final - April 1	December 1
Utah State University	Priority - March 1 Final - August 1	January 10
USU - Eastern	September 1	July 1
Utah Valley University	August 1	February 1
Weber State University	Open	Priority - December 1
Westminster College	Rolling	Priority - November 1 Final - February 1

*These dates are subject to change. Please refer to the school for official deadlines. Current as of 09/06/18