

Counselor Corner
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Your ACT score affects scholarships, the ability to take college classes, the ability to get into specific college programs, and more. The first test of the fall is September 9, but the registration deadline is August 4 (if you don't want to pay late fees). Go to your MyACT account to register. If you don't have one go to act.org, and click on the create your MyACT account.

Several state agencies are combining to raise awareness of youth suicide prevention via an art contest. Three monetary prizes will be awarded in each age group for a total of nine top prizes. The age groups are 6th and 7th grade, 8th and 9th grade, and 10th-12th grade.

The first 100 submissions will receive a participation packet which includes a frameable certificate of participation, a letter from a state official, and a swag bag. Find out more at www.ksphq.org/art-contest-2023. Deadline for submissions is September 4.

Every Kansas child from birth to age 5 can receive free books every month from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Each child enrolled in the program receives one book per month until his or her fifth birthday - at no cost to families. Penguin Random House is the exclusive publisher of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. For more information, please visit imaginationlibrary.com. For more information about the Imagination Library of Kansas, visit kschildrenscabinet.org/imaginationlibrary.

KU's annual High School Design Competition is being held on Wednesday, October 25, 2023! With competition in every major engineering discipline, this year's theme is Race to Innovate.

The High School Design Competition is a free event that gives high school students the opportunity to put their engineering, creativity, and teamwork skills to the ultimate test. Prior to the competition day, students work individually or in small teams designing, building, and testing a project that addresses the proposed design criteria. Find out everything you need at <https://engr.ku.edu/high-school-design-competition>.

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation supports more than 1,400 exceptional college students each year, with annual scholarships of \$3.55 million awarded through 3 nationally recognized programs. The application is now open but the deadline is earlier than previous years; this year it is due October 2. Find out all you need at www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/apply/.

The application for the University of Delaware is now open. Out of state schools, especially competitive ones, tend to have more stringent application demands and deadlines. Find out all you need at www.udel.edu/apply/undergraduate-admissions/requirements/.

Some general notes include: Students interested in applying to the UD Honors College or to the School of Nursing have an earlier application deadline of Dec. 1. For all other students, they have the choice of applying early action—by Nov. 1—or regular decision—by Jan. 15.

Deadlines to remember: August 4, deadline to apply for September 9 ACT; September 22, deadline to apply for October 6 ACT; November 3, deadline to apply for December 9 ACT; January 5, deadline to apply for February 10 ACT; March 8, deadline to apply for April 13 ACT; May 3, deadline to apply for June 8 ACT; June 7, deadline to apply for July 13 ACT.