



COLLEGE CONNECTION

The First Academy

"And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock."

Matthew 7:25

WELCOME BACK, STUDENTS!

CLASS OF 2019

It's your last year of high school! It will be a busy year, so getting off to a good start is key. Below are items you should be working on. Remember to keep your College Advisor updated as you navigate the college application process. We are here to help you!

College Applications

- Start applying now!
- Be aware of dates/deadlines
- Submit at least three
- Ask College Advisor for help

SAT/ACT

- Decide on one and stick with it
- Send to school via College Board or ACT website
- Prepare!
- Register for SAT and ACT

Transcripts & Letters of Rec.

- Request both on Naviance
- Give teachers plenty of time to write letter
- For UF and FSU, use SSAR

Essays

- Does your college require or not?
- Stay within word limit
- College Advisor will be happy to read and critique

Extracurricular Activities

- Volunteer!
- Don't try to do too many things
- Put on resume
- Shows colleges you are multi-dimensional

THE COMMON APPLICATION A list of all schools using **Common App** can be found [here](#) .



A list of all schools using **Coalition App** can be found [here](#) .

Bright Futures Scholarship

Florida Academic Scholars (FAS)
29 ACT/1290 SAT
3.5 weighted GPA (calculated by Bright Futures)
100 community service hours

Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS)
26 ACT / 1170 SAT
3.0 weighted GPA (calculated by Bright Futures)
75 community service hours

SAT
October 6th (register by 9/7)
November 3rd (register by 10/5)
Register for the SAT [here](#) .

ACT
September 8th (register by 8/26**)
October 27th (register by 9/28)
Register for the ACT [here](#) .

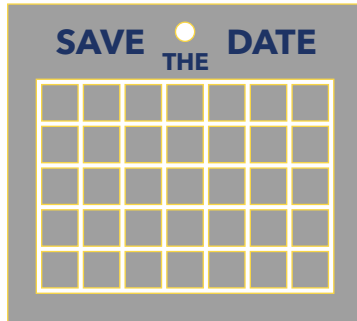
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August 22, 2018



Tuesday, September 11th
Johnson & Wales University | Palm Beach Atlantic University
Florida State University | University of Miami

Friday, September 14th
Mississippi State University | Rollins College | Wofford College



CHRISTIAN COLLEGE FAIR

Join us for TFA's annual Christian College Fair on **Thursday, September 13th** from 6:00-7:30pm in the Natalie Thomas Gymnasium. Come and meet college representatives to learn about admissions, scholarships, and other opportunities from several Christian colleges around the country!

**Students who attend will receive extra credit in Christian Studies classes.*

Class of 2020

Juniors, with college preparation well under way, make sure you are keeping up with the items below!

- ✓ Attend SCAN meeting (spring semester)
- ✓ Take the PSAT in October
- ✓ Check your transcript with graduation requirements
- ✓ Visit college campuses
- ✓ Update resume with activities, awards, etc.
- ✓ Take **both** the ACT and SAT
- ✓ Add colleges to Naviance that you are interested in applying to next year

Class of 2021

Sophomores, you now have a full year of high school under your belt! Take a look at the checklist below as you start thinking more about college.

- ✓ Check your transcript with graduation requirements
- ✓ Take the PSAT in October
- ✓ Attend colleges fairs and begin visiting college campuses
- ✓ Explore Naviance to research colleges
- ✓ Stay on top of your grades and continue your extracurricular activities

Class of 2022

Freshman, welcome to the Upper School! Look at the checklist below to make sure you get off to a strong start!

- ✓ Attend SCAN (Student, College/Career, Academics, Naviance) Meeting with your College Advisor (fall semester)
- ✓ Understand TFA graduation requirements and transcript
- ✓ Take the PSAT in October
- ✓ Find something at/outside TFA that interests you and get involved!

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