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| Junior/Senior News~ October 2020 |
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Marbury High School



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| Important Upcoming Dates:   **College Knowledge**  **Presentation for 12th graders**  **(Virtual)**  **by**  **Mrs. Hedgspeth**  **(ACS Career Coach)**  **October 8th & 9th**  **N. Lansdell’s classes**    **E-Learning Day**  **October 2nd**    **FAFSA Opens**  **October 1st**    **REPORT CARDS**  **November 18th**    **Auburn University Virtual Tour**  [**https://www.auburn.edu/ admissions/virtual-tour/Interface/index.html**](https://www.auburn.edu/%20admissions/virtual-tour/Interface/index.html) |
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| Dear Junior/Senior,  Now is the time to begin thinking about finding money for college!!! December 1 is the deadline for early admission for many colleges. Just remember that it’s never TOO EARLY to research scholarship opportunities. |
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**College Virtual Visits/Tours**

**Huntingdon College:** Oct. 7 @ 10:30am & 5:00pm (See [www.marburyhighschool.org](www.marburyhighschool.org%20) for links)

**Southern Union State Community College:** Oct. 12 @ 6pm (See [www.marburyhighschool.org](www.marburyhighschool.org%20) for links)

**University of Alabama Huntsville:** Oct. 19 @ 6pm *(Tentative)*

(See [www.marburyhighschool.org](www.marburyhighschool.org%20) for links)

**University of Montevallo:** Oct. 22 @ 6:00pm

(See [www.marubyrhighschool.org](http://www.marubyrhighschool.org) for links)

**University of South Alabama:** Oct. 26th @ 6pm

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**Helpful Websites:**

[**https://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-state/alabama-scholarships/**](https://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-state/alabama-scholarships/)

[**www.fastweb.com**](http://www.fastweb.com)

[**www.commonapp.org**](http://www.commonapp.org)

[**www.gocollege.com**](http://www.gocollege.com)

[**www.finaid.org**](http://www.finaid.org)

**DO NOT PROCASTINATE ON APPLYING FOR COLLEGE ADMISSIONS OR SCHOLARSHIPS!!!!**

***No one is going to bring you a U-haul full of cash!!***

10 Tips for Writing Effective Scholarship Essays

1. Read the instructions and make sure you understand them before you start writing.

2. Think about what you are going to write and organize your thoughts before you start writing.

3. Begin the writing process by writing an outline.

4. Make sure your outline touches on every aspect required per the instructions.

5. Write your essay by elaborating on each of the points in your outline.

6. Use clear, concise and simple language throughout the essay.

7. State your accomplishments without coming across as if you are bragging.

8. Make sure your grammar and spelling are impeccable.

9. Read the questions again and then read your essay to be certain that the essay addresses every point.

10. Have someone with strong writing and editing skills proofread the essay before you submit it.

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| TIPS FOR REQUESTING LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATIONS |
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* Letters of recommendations should come from teachers, principals, pastors, or any individual that can write good, detailed letter about your character and educational background.
* Read the application thoroughly. Follow the directions implicitly. If they ask for two letters, don’t send more.
* Always give the individual that will be writing the letter of recommendation **at least 3 weeks notice**!!! You are not the only student asking for a letter of recommendation.
* Give the teacher a neatly addressed and stamped envelope for every college. The teacher will mail the recommendation letters to the college once it is written.
* Remember that teachers write these letters to help you. Be sure to tell them how grateful you are!!!!!

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Opens Oct. 1st



