

Counselor Corner
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Golden Plains will be hosting its Financial Aid Workshop Feb. 7 at 1:30 in Mr. Smith's room. This is primarily for seniors, but anyone can attend.

Dodge City Community College will host Junior Experience on February 15. Check out Conq Country by experiencing the campus, programs, pizza lunch, \$5000 in scholarship giveaways, T-Shirt customizations, and more. There should be a post with a QR code in your school to register. But if you cannot find it email admit@dc3.edu and they will get you registered.

NorthCentral Technical College will host Sophomore/Junior days: February 15 at Beloit and February 21 at Hays. Students are able to explore 2 programs for half the day, from 9:00am-12:00pm. Check in is at 8:30am, and lunch is provided. You can register at: <https://ncktc.edu/sophomore-junior-day/>

Colby Community College will host Junior Day on February 21. Reasons to attend include a tour of campus, opportunity to meet with an expert on the field of study you are interested in, chat with coaches, have a free lunch, and meet with other future Trojans. To register you can contact your counselor or call 785-460-4690 or email admissions@colbycc.edu. Parents are welcome to participate as well.

Garden City Community College invites you to learn about Cool Jobs in STEM Cafe. Snacks will be available as juniors/seniors/parents learn about becoming an Entomologist, Air Traffic Controller, Wind Turbine Technician, Wildlife Biologist, and other STEM careers. It will be held at 6:30 in the Saffell Library at GCCC on February 6. If you have questions contact Misty Wren at misty.wren@gcccks.edu or 620-275-3288.

For the 29th year Emporia State will host Enhancing You Future Conference for girls in grades 6-8 who want to learn more about math and science careers. This year it will be held on March 2, but registration will close soon. My girls went when they were in junior high and really enjoyed it. In addition to the usual career discussion and hands-on workshops, the day will be filled with a few special presentations. Registration includes lunch and a t-shirt. Find out all you need at www.emporia.edu/stemoutreach, then click on the EYF link.

The Doyle Kauk Memorial Scholarship is available to students graduating from Hoxie High School or Golden Plains High School. (Be sure you are checking for your local scholarships.) The amount is TBD, but it can be renewed as well.

The scholarship is intended to promote higher education for students who pursue a vocational/technical, or bachelor's degree in a field related to agriculture or agricultural support and intend to use those skills to help further agriculture or underserved agricultural communities in Kansas or Nebraska.

One of the greatest challenges facing agricultural communities is attracting teachers, mechanics, and other skilled individuals. Therefore, students pursuing a focus in an underserved technical field with an intention to return to an underserved agricultural community in Kansas or Nebraska will be given strong consideration. Find the application at www.doylekaukmemorialscholarship.org/scholarship.

Kids from Hoxie and Golden Plains are among the 11 schools who can also apply for the Katherine Brungardt Scholarship. See your counselor for the application, which must be submitted by March 1.

Deadlines to remember: Feb. 1-Deadline to apply for Kansas Kiwanis, Midwest Energy, Pete Henry, and KNEA Scholarships, Priority Deadline to submit FAFSA to KU; Feb. 15-Final deadline to apply for FHSU scholarships; Feb. 19-Deadline to apply for Ellis Foundation Scholarship; March 8-deadline to apply for April 13 ACT; March 31-Deadline to apply for Kansas Masonic Foundation Scholarships; May 3-deadline to apply for June 8 ACT; June 7-deadline to apply for July 13 ACT. Sophomore/Juniors Days: Feb. 15 at NCKTC-Beloit; Feb. 21 at NCKTC-Hays; April 15 at FHSU; Freshman/Sophomore Day at WSU-April 27