Counselor Corner
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The Rudd Scholarship is competitive, but one of the very best a student can earn. Forty will be awarded to Kansas students who are attending the black and gold schools (Fort Hays State, Emporia State, Wichita State) or new this year, Kansas State. It pays for virtually everything at one of these schools.

You must be Pell Grant eligible to apply. You can find out if you are at https://studentaid.gov/aid-estimator/. To find out more at the Rudd go to https://ruddfoundation.org/how-to-apply. Two students from Golden Plains have won this scholarship in recent years.

Speaking of WSU, if you want to find out more about this school it will offer Shocker Saturday programs on October 7 and 14, November 4, and December 2. If will also host Black and Yellow Days for Juniors and Seniors on October 6 and 20. Find out more at wichita.edu/visit.

The Carl R. Ice College of Engineering at Kansas State University will host a Women in Engineering Day designed for students interested in pursuing an engineering career on November 3. Students will be able to explore majors and opportunities to get involved, interact with faculty and student organizations. participate in hands-on activities with current students, and hear from Women in Engineering (WiE) alumni as well as current WiE and Society of Women Engineers (SWE) members. Learn about campus life and much more. Find out more at https://engg.k-state.edu/wie-day/

The Windward Spirit Scholarship is for a student who is striving to make a difference. To apply, offer your thoughts and/or ideas about the 'Ode To Millennials-Gen Z text' found on our scholarship page. There will be 16 winners of $48,000. The application deadline is November 15. Apply. at https://bold.org/scholarships/windward-spirit-scholarship/.

Pittsburg State may be too far away for you to visit, but you can participate in the College of Technology Virtual Open House. This immersive virtual experience offers students a dynamic platform to explore careers and provides opportunities to win valuable door prizes and scholarships. Like KSU-Salina, this is a program that more kids should be checking into.

The Virtual event will be accessible from October 6, 2023, to November 10, 2023, allowing students the flexibility to engage independently at their own pace or enabling educators to seamlessly integrate virtual activities into their curriculum to align with their teaching plans. Don't miss out on this exceptional virtual opportunity to discover your future in technology. See all the details at www.pittstate.edu/technology/events/college-of-technology-open-house.html

Be one of 30 students to participate in Girls Who Code, hosted by Kansas State University Salina! Taught on campus by Dr. Annie Hoekman, Teaching Assistant Professor in Computer Systems Technology Classes will be held Wednesday, lasting

from October 4th - November 15th, from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., with drop-off from 3 - 3:30 p.m. and pick-up from 4:30 - 5 p.m.; snacks will be provided.

Students must register individually and may register and begin at any point within the duration of the program. For questions regarding the program or your registration, please contact Callie Hobkirk, Admissions Representative Specialist, by phone at 785-260-2307 or by email at cshobkirk@k-state.edu. Application is available at https://apply2.ksu.edu/register/girlswhocode. For western Kansas kids, most of this program can be completed remotely.

The Aaron Sanchez Scholarship is available to Latino students between the ages of 18 and 25. You must be pursuing a career in culinary arts to be eligible for this award. Recipients of this award will receive a full tuition award to attend the New Orleans Culinary & Hospitality Institute (NOCHI) for their Culinary Arts Certificate Program. Transportation, room and board, and a monthly $250 grocery stipend are also covered by the program. Application deadline is September 30. Go to www.aaronsanchezscholarshipfund.com/.

Cadence is offering $5,000 scholarships for Women in Technology, Black Students in Technology, and Latinx Students in Technology currently pursuing a bachelor's, master's, or Ph.D. degree in computer science, computer engineering, electrical engineering, electronic engineering, or a closely related technical field. Application deadline is October 10. Go to www.3blmedia.com/news/cadence-diversity-technology-scholarships-now-open.

Deadlines to remember: September 22-deadline to apply for October 6 ACT; October 1: FAFSA opens for 24-25 school year; October 9-13: Build a Ratrod at NW Tech; October 20: Hansen CT scholarship application due in Logan; November 3, deadline to apply for December 9 ACT; December 1: Deadline to apply for Rudd Scholarship; January 5, deadline to apply for February 10 ACT; Feb. 19: Deadline to apply for Ellis Foundation Scholarship; 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.