

SEPTEMBER 2024

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WHS Graduation

May 15, 2025

5pm–7pm

Southeastern Louisiana University



Baton Rouge College Fair

October 8, 2024

6pm–8pm

Register Online

[Nacacattend.org/24BatonRouge](https://Nacacattend.org/24BatonRouge)

Senior Portrait Make-ups

Saturday, 9/21/24

9am–12pm

WHS Cafeteria

Upcoming:

Herff Jones

Senior Supply Meeting 10/7

1st Order Date 10/22

Lion Pride Preview Day

September 21, 2024

Must Register @

<https://www.southeastern.edu/admissions-and-aid/events/lionpridepreview/>

# SENIOR '25 NEWSLETTER

## WELCOME TO YOUR SENIOR YEAR!

### MYTH

Senior year does not really matter that much. After all, you are sending colleges your transcript from 9th-11th grades so who cares what goes down senior year? Senior year is time to coast and have fun, not really work hard.

### REALITY

Colleges are more aware of your senior year courses and grades than EVER before. Most, if not all, are going to ask you to share with them your schedule and they will follow up with the school to find out if anything has

changed. They often ask your counselor to fill out a form on which they rate the rigor of the course load you *have* taken and *are* taking. Many schools are requiring 7th semester transcripts (includes 1st semester of senior year) and this will often impact admissions and scholarship decisions.

## SENIOR ADVISING



Tuesday, September 3, 2024–Friday, October 4, 2024

During this time students will be called to meet one-on-one with their counselor to discuss the following topics:

- ◆ Graduation requirements and grades
- ◆ College, Community College, Trade School, Military and Employment
- ◆ Steps for College/Community College/Trade School applications and Deadlines
- ◆ Requesting Transcripts and Letters of Recommendations
- ◆ ACT ; FAFSA ; Scholarships



## Community Service Diploma Endorsement

Louisiana High School seniors can earn a Community Service Diploma Endorsement by completing a minimum of 80 hours (9th–12th) of documented community service using the app HelperHelper. For more information, email your school counselor.

## SEPTEMBER SCHOLARSHIPS



### TOPS SCHOLARSHIP

- ⇒ Complete Tops University Diploma
- ⇒ 2.5 and higher "Core" GPA
- ⇒ 20 and higher on the ACT
- ⇒ Complete the FAFSA
- ⇒ Students completing all requirements with A 17-19 ACT will qualify for Tops Tech Scholarship

### TOPS TECH SCHOLARSHIP

- ⇒ Complete Jumpstart Diploma
- ⇒ 2.5 and higher GPA
- ⇒ 17 and higher on the ACT or Silver Workkeys
- ⇒ Complete the FAFSA

**Gates Scholarship - Deadline: 9/15/24**  
<https://www.thegatesscholarship.org/scholarship>

**Heisman High School Scholarship for Student Athletes—Deadline: TBA**  
 Sign up to get an email when it opens @  
<https://heismanscholarship.com/>

**We The Future Contest - Deadline: 5/31/2025**  
<https://constitutingamerica.org/contest-categories/>

**National Hispanic Health Professional Student Scholarship—Deadline: 9/13/2024**  
<https://www.nhmafoundation.org/the-hispanic-health-professional-student-scholarship>

**Don't Text and Drive Scholarship - Deadline: 9/30/24**  
<http://www.digitalresponsibility.org/dont-text-and-drive-scholarship/>

**Nuts, Bolts & Thingmajigs Foundation Scholarships For Trade, Technical, & Community College Students—Deadline: 9/30/24**  
<https://www.nutsandboltsfoundation.org/scholarships>

**Go Skills Females in Business—Deadline: 9/15/2024**  
<https://www.goskills.com/Scholarship>  
 Find links to these and more under Scholarships on the Walker App

## ACT DATES 2024-2025

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
September 14, 2024	August 9, 2024	August 25, 2024
October 26, 2024	September 20, 2024	October 7, 2024
December 14, 2024	November 8, 2024	November 22, 2024
February 8, 2025	January 3, 2025	January 20, 2025
April 5, 2025	February 28, 2025	March 16, 2025
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025	May 26, 2025
July 12, 2025	June 6, 2025	June 20, 2025

Fee Waivers are available for students that qualify as disadvantaged.  
 Email your Counselor if you think you may qualify.

**REQUEST A TRANSCRIPT**  
 Using the Walker High App,  
 click on **FORMS**.  
 Complete the request form and submit

**REQUEST A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION**  
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