

**FREE SD College Application
Period:
October 1 - November 30**

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Need to take the ACCUPLACER?

Come into the Counseling Office and schedule a time. You can take it right here in our office. Make sure you know in what Technical College AND program you have been accepted.

**click the heading above for FREE practice resources*

FREE Aptitude Tests:
123test
MyNextMove
Truity
OurDakotaDreams

SD Board of Regents Grab & Go Resources for the Free College Application Period:

**select the link below for more information*

- [ABC's of College](#)
- [College Awareness Announcements](#)
- [College Decision Map](#)
- [Free APP- SD Public Colleges & Universities Map](#)
- [I Applied What Next?](#)

Dates of Upcoming Events

**see previous newsletters for more details or click links*

- [KIBBLE Equipment: Student Intern Program](#)
- [TechKnowledge Discovery Day](#) - Nov 4-8
- [DSU Admissions Rep visit](#) - 11/6 @ 1:35pm
- [ASVAB Testing](#) - 11/13 @ 8:00 -11am
- [Corporate Aviation Day](#) - 12/5 @ LATC
 - *Info in previous newsletter*

SENIORS!!!

Some Technical College Programs fill up FAST. Many have limited number of students they will accept. Don't fail to action your application and future planning because of procrastination. In this case, "Ya snooze, ya lose"!

SENIORS!!

**Celebrate your success!
When you get accepted
to college, come fill out a
Tiger Paw for us to
display**

Scholarship Application Deadlines

- [American Legion Scholarships](#) - Deadlines vary
- [Athlete of the Month](#) (Vantage Financial Partners) - 1st of each month (ONLY APPLY ONCE): available online, to [print](#), or in counselors' office; [ONLINE APPLICATION](#) is PREFERRED
- [VFW Voice of Democracy](#) - Oct 31; available online or in counseling office
- [2024 Angus Association Undergraduate Scholarship](#) - October 31; online or in counseling office
- [2024 SD Heifer Grant Application](#) - October 31; online or in counseling office
- [SD Elks Association: Career & Tech Ed Scholarship](#) - November 12; online or in counseling office
- [MVS \(Most Valuable Student\) Contest](#) - November 12
- [SD Farmers Union Foundation Scholarship](#) - November 15; also available in counseling office
- [SD State DAR Scholarship for Military Descendants](#) - print [here](#) or in counselors' office; Dec 1
- **** JUNIORS **** [The Coolidge Scholarship](#) - December 11
- [2025 NRECA Youth Tour](#) - [HERE](#) or in counselors' office; Dec 13
- [National DAR American History Video Contest](#) - [HERE](#) or in counselors' office; Dec 15
- [Western Legacy Foundation Scholarship](#) - [HERE](#); December 18
- [US JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship: College/University option or Vocational/Industrial option](#) - January 17; in Counseling Office or online
- [SDAPHCC Scholarship](#) - April 1; available online or in counseling office

The 2025 NRECA Youth Tour

- an excellent experience for any high school junior or senior!
- all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C.
- June 15-21, 2025.
- Applicants' parents do NOT need to be members of Dakota Energy Cooperative.
- all junior or senior students are welcome to apply.
- Applicants must complete the application and write a 500-word essay answering,
 - "Why is it important to be involved in your community, and how does it prepare you to be a future leader?"
- The application deadline is Friday, December 13, 2024.
- Application can be found ONLINE or in counselors' office

If you have any questions about the application process or the Youth Tour, please contact me at jdecker@dakotaenergy.coop

Hagan Scholarship

This is a nationwide need-based merit scholarship. The scholarship provides recipients with the opportunity to achieve their goals and graduate college debt-free.

Eligibility Requirements:

- must attend a HS located in the US
- must be fluent in the English language
- must be in the HS graduating class
- must have minimum GPA of 3.5
- must enroll in an eligible 4-year college/university the first fall following HS graduation
- must work 240 hours from January 1, 2025 - September 1, 2025. Work must be regularly scheduled employment performed under supervision for compensation. Employment can be full-time or part-time, or a combination of the two.
- applicant's adjusted gross household income reported for 2023 Federal Income Tax Purposes must not have exceeded \$100,000.
- FAFSA information is not required from Applicants, only from Finalists
- Must apply for Federal and State grants if eligible.
- must not have a felony conviction

More information can be found [HERE](#)

Deadline: December 1, 2024

Western Legacy Foundation

To qualify, applicants must be from South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana, Wyoming or Nebraska. Must be a High School Senior graduating in the upcoming spring.

Deadline: December 18, 2024

Application is available in an [EDITABLE version](#) that you can then print and mail by the deadline.



ACT- Test Dates/Registration Deadline:

- December 14- deadline Nov 8/LATE deadline Nov 22
- February 8- deadline January 3
- April 5- deadline February 28
- June 14- deadline May 9
- July 12- deadline June 6



*HHS CODE: 420-656

COST

- w/o "Writing"- \$69
- w/ "writing"- \$94
- Late Fee- \$38

Register at [ACT.org](https://www.act.org)

**If you have FREE/REDUCED lunch you can fill out a waiver and take the test for FREE. If this is an option for you, please come into the counselors' office.*

**It will be helpful to have a copy of your transcript when applying to take the ACT. Come into our office and request a copy of your transcript to help with that process.*

- ACT study guides are available at the Huron Public Library
- Free Test Prep at [SDMyLife.com](https://www.sdmylife.com)
- [FREE ACT Practice Test & Resources](#)
- [ACT Test Dates \(Spanish\)](#)
- [ACT Test Dates \(English\)](#)

- JUNIORS who are planning on attending a 4-year college/university- You should be taking your ACT NOW.

Upcoming Campus Visit Dates

**more dates and info to come as they become available. Go to the College website you want to visit and find applicable dates/events that fit your schedule*

- **Northern State University:** Saturday Campus Visits- Nov 2, 9, 16
 - check the website for individual visit days
- **University of South Dakota:** Coyote Visit Days- Nov 1, 22; Dec 6
 - check the website for individual visit days
- **South Dakota State University:** Jackrabbit Preview Days- Nov 1, 15; Dec 6;
 - check the website for individual visit days
- **Dakota State University:** Discover DSU Days- Nov 2, 8; Dec 13; Jan 31; Feb 21; April 12
 - check the website for individual visit days
- **Dakota Wesleyan University:** check the website to schedule an individual or group visit
- **Black Hills State University:** Yellow Jacket Preview Days- Nov 15;
 - check the website for individual visit days
- **Augustana University:** Explore Augustana Events- Nov 8;
 - check the website to schedule an individual or group visit
- **School of Mines & Technology University:** Go To Mines Open House- Nov 2;
 - check the website for more details/dates
- **University of Sioux Falls:** Campus Preview Days- Nov 8;
 - visit the website for more details/dates
- **Mount Marty University:**
 - visit the website for more details/dates
- **Southeast Technical College:** Campus Visit Days- Nov 1; Feb 7; March 7; Career Exploration Events- Dec 18; May 14
 - visit the website for more details/dates
- **Lake Area Technical College:** Weld-Off - December 4; Ready, Set, GO! Build Dakota Day - January 16, 2025; visit the website for more details/dates
- **Mitchell Technical College:** Exploration Days- Nov 7; Jan 23; March 26; Tech Camp- Nov 21; Career Expo- Set 23;
 - visit the website for more details/dates
- **Western Dakota Technical College:** Visit Days- Dec 3; April 12
 - visit the website for more details/dates

To register, go to the University website and select the event and date that works for you.



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Valuable Resources & Websites

Test Prep ACT Information Financial Aid Websites
College & Beyond Websites Resume Tips WUE/ WICHE details

Huron HS Scholarship Database

Scholarships are added and updated constantly. Check often!

Scholarship Tips

Federal Financial Aid: Let's Talk Details

Financial Aid- What Comes Next

Student Loans-Basic Info

Forward Thinking

DI, DII, DIII, NAIA Requirements/Eligibility

To College or Not To College

Calculating the Cost of Post-Secondary

Seniors: Month-by-Month Guide

FAFSA 101

Errors to Avoid

FAQ

Checklist

Think About Your Future

Careers

What Should I Be Doing?

What Comes Next?

Apprenticeship Opportunities

South Dakota: 2-year & 4-year College Master List

Advice for Parents



**Click the links above for more information*