

# Senior Newsletter – January 2018

## SAVE AND SHARE !!!!!

### PLEASE SAVE YOU ACCEPTANCE AND AWARD LETTERS FOR POST HIGH SCHOOL

**PROGRAMS AND SCHOLARSHIPS.** The school counseling office would like to make a copy of them for our awards program information. **No individual personal information or individual dollar awards will be published.** In order to recognize the achievement as part of the group, proof of the award must be shared with us. We collect proof of ALL your program offers, not just the one you choose to attend/accept.

\*\*\*\*\*This included agreements with the military, job training programs, technical schools, colleges, etc!\*\*\*\*\*

**NOTE –** The Renaissance Program may be interested in displaying acceptance letters as part of a student recognition program. If you DO NOT want your letter displayed, please notify our staff when your letter is copied.

## TWO more simple steps to earn the Tennessee Promise Scholarship!!!!

*If you applied by November 1 AND completed your FAFSA by January 26:*

**1** Complete - In the Spring:

- Apply for community or technical college
- Mandatory meeting with TN Achieves and mentors on 4/9/2018, 5:30 PM at BHS\* (see below)
- 8 hours of community service completed and reported by July 1 at <https://tnachiev>

**2** Enroll - By Fall:

Enroll in a TN community college or technical college (TCAT) that accepts the TN Promise. (Some universities accept the grant under certain conditions. See Promise Handbook for school list. Contact post-secondary school for guidelines.)

For more information visit [www.tnpromise.gov](http://www.tnpromise.gov)



### \*Excuse Policy for the TN Promise Mentor Meeting

The short answer . . . excused absences are VERY LIMITED. Page 8 of the TN Achieves Handbook fully explains the policy and the process if there should be an issue

([https://tnachieves.org/lib/file/manager/2018\\_tnAchieves\\_Student\\_Handbook.pdf](https://tnachieves.org/lib/file/manager/2018_tnAchieves_Student_Handbook.pdf))

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FAFSA Issues: 1 - 800 - FED - AID (1-800-433-3243)

### **CREDIT CHECK!!!!**

*Credit checks were completed AGAIN by counselors in the last couple of days for all seniors. Please see your counselor ASAP if you have any final questions regarding graduation credits or college requirements.*

## College News

**For ALL college applications:** Most institutions give you access to a portal or school email account that provides you with important information and deadlines. If they don't have their own, then you should have submitted one to them so that they can contact you . . . .

**Check it REGULARLY!!!!!!!!!** You should be getting regular communication from schools to which you have applied and /or have been accepted.

**Housing** – Housing deadlines are approaching for many schools! Check your portal or college email account to stay current and get a better dorm assignment!

**DEADLINES and APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES CAN BE FOUND ON EACH SCHOOL'S WEBSITE.**

**IMPORTANT!** You must request your transcripts at: <https://sumnertn.scriborder.com/>. This includes transcripts for all college applications, college athletics (NCAA, NAIA), job applications and scholarships. Even though a school may offer a transcript service such as SendEdu, **you must use the Sumner Scrib Order service instead.**

**New scholarships posted at:**

<http://beechhighschoolcounseling.com/scholarships>

**Scholarships are posted upon receipt on our Facebook page:**

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**SPRING DATES - ADD  
THEM TO YOUR  
CALENDAR!!!**

TN Promise Team Meeting - April 9, 5:30 PM at BHS  
Senior Awards Ceremony - May 4  
Prom - May 5  
Graduation Practice and Breakfast - May 18  
Graduation - May 19

## Award Opportunity: Tennessee Scholars

**Deadline for application to be received in the counseling office is  
March 1, 2018.**

**Online survey (on the website) deadline is March 1.**

Go to [www.tnscholars.org](http://www.tnscholars.org) to print application, community service log and academic checklist

**A certificate and a medal that can be worn at the graduation ceremony will be awarded to each recipient.** According to the website, other benefits are:

1. Up to \$1500 per year Union University scholarship
2. \$500 Bryan College scholarship
3. \$300 TN College of Applied Technology scholarship
4. East TN State Univ. – inquire at ETSU
5. Student should always ask the college/university to which they apply if extra dollars are available to Tennessee Scholars.

## Requirements for Tennessee Scholars

*All state graduation requirements must be met (with no substitutions). Special Notes:*

Math: Bridge Math does NOT count as a 4<sup>th</sup> Math for TN Scholars, SAILS math does count.

Science: Two of the three credits must be Biology and Chemistry.

## Additional Workforce Development Requirements

No Out of School Suspensions

95% attendance for 4 years (No more than 36 total days missed in 4 years)

Maintain a C or above average in all classes. (If an F was earned, the class should have been retaken to meet the requirement.)

Perform 80 hours or more **volunteer service hours to help your community.** These hours must be done before school or after school and cannot be counted as a grade or for pay. Mission trips can be counted as 8 hours per day you work for a maximum of 40 hours. Please make sure you keep a log of your hours. See [https://www.tennesseescholars.org/?page\\_id=364](https://www.tennesseescholars.org/?page_id=364) for volunteer information.