#### THE EAGLE EYE

**May 2025** 



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Mercer County HS Counseling Office



# Counselor's Information

#### Mark Your Calendars

May 5 AP Bio 8am

AP Euro 12:00pm

May 6 AP Chem 8:00am

May 7 National Honor Society Inductions 2:30pm

Awards Night 6:00pm

May 9 AP Art Portfolios Due

May 12 AP Calc 8:00am

May 18 Graduation 2:00pm

May 27 Last Day of School (End of 4th Qtr/Sem 2)

May 29 Top 10 Dinner 6:00pm

#### 2025 AP Exams

Students who are currently taking AP European History, AP Chemistry, AP Biology and AP Calculus will be taking their AP exams in May at the MCHS Library. The AP Bio exam will be May 5th starting at 8am, please arrive by 7:45 am. The AP Euro will be May 5th at 12pm, please arrive by 11:45am. The AP Chem exam will be May 6th starting at 8:00 am please arrive by 7:45am. The AP Calc exam will be May 12th at 8am, please arrive by 7:45am.

AP Art submissions are due on May 9th. Any questions, please see the counseling office.

## MCHS Senior Awards Night 2025

Awards night will be held at the high school on Wednesday, May 7th at 6:00 pm in the auditorium for Seniors (Class of 2025) only. Students who will be receiving an award and or scholarship will be sent an invitation letter.

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Please stop by the counselor's office with any questions or concerns you may have about Post-Secondary plans.

## Seniors Planning to Attend BHC

Seniors who plan to attend Black Hawk College (BHC) should register for the Accuplacer Placement Test by calling BHC at 309-796-5352 or 796-5100. The Accuplacer is an untimed, computerized test that helps colleges evaluate your skills and places you into appropriate courses. Accuplacer offers tests in Reading, Writing, Math, Writing Essay, and English as a Secondary Language. Students will receive their Accuplacer test results immediately upon completion of testing, and your score report will include a placement message informing you of what courses you should take and how to register.

# Top Ten Percent of the Senior Class

The top ten percent of the Senior class may receive two consecutive years of free tuition at Black Hawk College immediately following high school (including summer) if renewal criteria is met. Students must submit the following information before May 15th.

**Complete BHC application** 

Enroll at BHC full-time

Complete a BHC Academic Achievement Award Form



## Scholarships for 2025 Graduates

The following scholarships are due in May. Please check details on the Guidance scholarship page on the school website.

May 1 Mellinger Education Foundation

Other scholarships still available:

June 1 Nursing Exams.org Student Scholarships

American College Foundation Visionary

June 2 \*New\* Schoolhouse Scholarship

June 30 "No Sweat" Scholarship

July 15 Gold Star FS Scholarship & Work Program

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## **Attention Juniors & Seniors**

Things to think about over the summer for Junior & Seniors:

Juniors need to start thinking about their post high school plans. If a student is planning on attending a two or four year college/university we encourage them to start looking into their options. We would encourage all juniors to narrow down their choices to no more than five before the start of the school year.

If possible, take a visit to one or two over the summer. Seniors should try to narrow down their college/university selections to around 3 by the beginning of their senior year. Take the summer to research what the guidelines are for these colleges/universities and visit them if possible.



ACT No Writing—\$69

ACT Plus Writing-\$94

(late fee required-\$38)

The following ACT test dates are available for all high school students who wish to take the test:

<u>Test Date</u>	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Deadline
June 14, 2025	May 9	May 26
July 12, 2025	June 6	June 20

Students may register on-line at www.act.org and use a credit card for payment. RE-MEMBER to include Mercer County High School's code 140008 on the registration information so the school has your ACT scores for your transcript. Keep in mind that the ACT can be taken multiple times & colleges do not care if scores go down on retakes. Colleges will not pull the highest scores from multiple dates but do take the highest scores from one single test date regardless of the number of times the test has been taken. \*\*Fee waivers are available if you qualify.



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