From your EFHS GEAR UP Coach and the Counseling Department

EFHS Events: Stay Connected with Our Activity Calendar: Estrella Foothills Activity Calendar

Career and College Knowledge Fun Fact of the Week:.

✓ **College Application Checklist:** Check list to help prepare for College Applications Application Checklist

✓ **Top Scholarship Websites for High School Seniors:**

- Scholarships.com – Offers a vast database with personalized matches for students.
- Fastweb – Provides over 1.5 million scholarships and personalized recommendations.
- BigFuture (College Board) – 6,000+ programs searchable
- RaiseMe – Earn micro-scholarships for achievements like good grades, extracurriculars, and leadership roles. Each university has a deadline for when the profile needs to be created to be considered for micro-scholarships
- Sallie Mae – $2,000 no-essay and more
- College Ready AZ – A resource for Arizona students to find local scholarships and college planning tools.
- College Depot at Phoenix Public Library – Offers free, full-service college planning assistance, including scholarship resources and workshops.
- Quest Bridge – National nonprofit organization that connects high-achieving, low-income students with top colleges and universities, offering full four-year scholarships.
- FAFSA – ✅ Opens doors—don't leave money on the table!
  - ✅ Access federal grants (like Pell Grant)
  - ✅ Qualify for work-study programs
  - ✅ Unlock institutional and state-based aid
  - ✅ Required by many scholarship applications
- Schoolinks- Scholarships and college/career planning
- **University/Community College/Trade School websites** – most scholarship money comes directly from the school you plan to attend.

Letters of Recommendation: Pick the right people. The best people to write recommendation letters for you are **the people who truly know you as a student, as a leader, and as a person**. Recommendation letters can come from current or past teachers, counselors, coaches, activity leaders, or trusted adults. Recommenders will need a resume from students and/or complete a recommendation form provided by Mrs. Pond or Mrs. Fox

Seniors: Get Started on Your Next Steps!

- **Order Your Transcript:** Access **Parchment**
- **Create Your FSA ID:** Senior and parent/guardian create **Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID.**
- **Create Your Common Application Account:** Set up your account to begin your college applications.
- **Connect Common Application to Schoolinks:** Be sure to link your Common Application account with SchooLinks to complete the integration process.

SIGN-UP TODAY for the ASVAB & PSAT

📣 Attention Seniors and Juniors! 📣 ASVAB (juniors and seniors): Sign up here

📣 Attention Sophomores and Juniors! 📣 PSAT Registration

Need Math Help?

The Pythagorean Society hosts peer tutoring for anyone and everyone that needs help.

- When:
  Every Wednesday after school in Rm 405.
- What you need:
  Nothing but yourself.
- What it costs:
  Nothing.

All you need to do is show up.

- NO JUDGEMENT ALLOWED BUT <u>RIDES AREN'T PROVIDED!!!</u>

Your academics are important. We know that, so let us help.