



Nordonia High School

SENIOR NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2025

A Friendly Reminder...

There are LOTS of exciting events coming up for seniors! Let's make sure we have all our boxes checked before we celebrate.

- ~Passing all Graduation Requirement Classes for the Year~
- ~Turning in Community Service~
- ~Completing Online Courses~
- ~Finishing Seals~

~Paying Fees~

All financial obligations need be met prior to graduation to avoid any withholding of diplomas and official records. Final fee notices will be mailed home with 3rd quarter report cards soon. Please read through the information carefully for all possible payment options. Personal checks WILL NOT be accepted for seniors as of May 1st.

Why Your Soon-to-be College Student is "Soiling the Nest"

"Is your student picking fights, talking back, leaving messes, and generally putting stress on your relationship with them?"

This is a completely NORMAL phase of growing up!

This is a great article to help explain what "may" be happening with your students as they prepare to leave home.



[Job Shadow Information for the Class of 2025](#)
[Senior Letter & Graduation Information](#)





Save the Date

NHS AWARDS CEREMONY SEASON!

APRIL 15

Military Signing Day @ 9am

APRIL 23

Compass Awards @ 6pm

APRIL 24

Senior Academic Awards @ 9am

APRIL 28

Freshman Academic Awards @ 9am

APRIL 28

Junior Academic Awards @ 12:45pm

APRIL 29

Sophomore Academic Awards @ 9 am

MAY 1

Senior Scholarship Night @ 6:30pm

MAY 7 & 8

CVCC Senior Rec. Ceremonies @ 1pm

MAY 20

Freshman Pride Awards @ 1pm

*Individual Invitations will be sent out for each event
with further details*





Important Senior Dates

- **April 8** - DK Classes need to be completed for seniors
- **April 9** - Speech & Performance Audition with Mrs. Spellman in Room 508
- **April 7-11** - Prom & After-Prom ticket sales
- **April 15** - Military Signing Ceremony @ 9am in the Auditorium
- **April 16** - Athletic Signing Day - All sports other than Football
- **April 18** - No School - Schedule Campus Visit or Community Service Activity
- **April 21** - No School - Schedule Campus Visit or Community Service Activity
- **April 24** - Senior Academic Awards @ 9am (invites sent mid-April)
- **April 25** - Last day for seniors who WILL be doing job shadowing/Locker Clean-Out
- **April 25** - Senior Picnic /Signing Event - wear a shirt to represent your future plan
- **May 1** - Senior Local Scholarship Night @ 6:30pm (invitations sent mid-April)
- **May 3** - Prom & After-Prom
- **May 5-16** - AP Exams
- **Week of May 12** - Senior Exams
- **May 19** - Junior/Senior Field Day @ 9am
- **May TBD** - Last day to order a yearbook. <https://nordoniayearbook.weebly.com/>
- **May 21** - MANDATORY Graduation Rehearsal Large Gym 9-10:30
Cap & Gowns, Graduation Awards & Tickets will be distributed,
Class Photo following
- **May 22** - MANDATORY Commencement Rehearsal, meet in the large gym to go to EJ Thomas Hall 9:00-12:15
- **May 22** - Graduation Ceremony at **7:00 p.m.** Grads arrive at 6:00 p.m., doors open at 6:00 p.m.
- **August 1** - Yearbook pick-up at Fun n' Stuff from 4-6 p.m.





Scholarships



Private Scholarship Resources

Students may also find it valuable to research any private scholarships that may be available to them through organizations/agencies that they or their parents are members. The websites listed below can also be valuable tools for searching for private scholarships that they may be eligible to receive. Students should follow all directions and deadlines to apply for each scholarship that they find offered privately outside of schools. Many of these websites allow you to enter information about yourself and then pair you with scholarships that you may be eligible to receive, which can be a huge time saver as you go through this process.

Websites and Apps

www.scholarships.com (App for IOS & Android)

www.fastweb.com (App for IOS & Android)

www.collegeboard.org (App for IOS & Android)

www.cappex.com

www.petersons.com

www.raise.me (App for IOS & Android)

www.goingmerry.com (App for IOS &

www.scholarshipowl.com (App for IOS &

www.myscholly.com (App for IOS & Android)

<https://scholarsapp.com/>

Twitter Scholarship Accounts

Following accounts on Twitter that post scholarships can be a quick and easy way to come across scholarships that you may be eligible for. Here are a couple of accounts to consider following:

@Scholarshipscom

@PayingForSchool

@Scholarships360

@MyBigFuture

The Ohio Department of Higher Education

- ✓ Ohio War Orphans Scholarship
- ✓ Ohio Safety Officers College Memorial Fund
- ✓ Ohio College Opportunity Grant

www.ohiohighered.org

Scholarship Websites!

www.bold.org

www.fastweb.com

www.scholarships.com

www.collegenowgc.org



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\$100,000 for your students!

We're excited to announce Oberlin's new Midwest Merit Scholarship, which recognizes the academic and musical excellence of top students from our region by granting \$100,000 to all admitted students from Oberlin's home state of Ohio, as well as 11 additional Midwestern states: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. Starting in fall 2025, all new enrolling students from these states will automatically receive \$25,000 each year, for a total of \$100,000 over four years.

[CLICK HERE for MORE INFO!](#)



Summit Federal Credit Union

Located in Akron & Salem, Ohio

Summit Federal Credit, the credit union servicing the staff, students and families of your school, is now accepting applications for our annual Memorial Scholarship. Each year we award up to (3) \$1000 scholarships to individuals that are furthering their education. The scholarship can be for a graduating senior or any staff member that is seeking educational advancement.

[Click Here to Apply](#)



PADRIAC ROUTA MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Please see our scholarship page for the scholarships that our Foundation will be providing this Spring.

As you'll see, we are giving 2 x \$5,000 scholarships to an Ohio student pursuing the creative arts or entrepreneurship that may need financial assistance. Applicants need to create an account on Bold.org and then apply. Please send along to any graduating senior that would be interested:

<https://bold.org/scholarships/padriac-routa-memorial-scholarship/>

Here is the link to our Foundation's web page if they are interested in learning more about our Foundation:

<https://patroutamemorial.org/about-us>



ears to you

About the ETY College/Trade School Scholarship:

The ETY College/Trade School scholarships will be awarded to Ohio High School seniors, current college students OR trade/professional school students living in/from the following counties: Medina, Cuyahoga and Summit. You MUST have graduated from a HS in one of these three counties to be eligible. The number of scholarships offered and the exact amounts are determined after our spring gala, but will be no less than \$500.

Please complete all required

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**Student
Insights**

Market Research for Higher Education

136 Justice Dr. Valencia PA 16059 724-903-0439 www.studentinsights.com

January 8, 2025

Dear Guidance Counselor:

Student Insights is once again sponsoring a scholarship contest for high school seniors. We greatly appreciate your help in communicating this scholarship to students at your school.

Student-View™ Scholarship Program

The 2025 Student-View Scholarship Program is offering over \$13,000 worth of scholarships to high school seniors who plan to attend a four-year college, community/junior college or career school. The program includes:

- *One \$10,000 scholarship*
- *Two \$1,000 scholarships*
- *Three \$500 scholarships*

It's quick and easy to apply:

- *No minimum SAT/ACT score or grade point average*
- *No essay required*
- *No lengthy application forms or application fees*

Simply log on to **www.student-view.com** and complete a 15-20 minute application survey about colleges in your area.

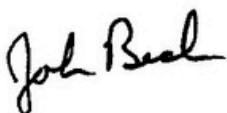
The scholarship will be awarded via a random drawing of all completed applications. The scholarship winner will be announced in May, 2025.

The scholarship deadline is April 23, 2025.

*Student Insights is a market research firm helping colleges and universities communicate more effectively with high school seniors. For more information about the company, log on to **www.studentinsights.com**.*

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at 724-903-0439 or **contact@studentinsights.com**.

Thank you.



John Becker
President
Student Insights





Scholarships



Akron Amateur Softball Commission

www.summitcountysoftballhof.com

The Akron Amateur Softball Commission is pleased to offer two (3) \$1000 college scholarships for Summit County High School Senior softball players.

Eligibility:

Players who meet the following criteria are eligible for the scholarship.

The candidate:

- Must be a High School Senior within a Summit County High School
- Has earned 2 Varsity letters in softball
- Must have a GPA of a 3.0 or higher
- Plan to attend an accredited 4-year College/University, Community College or Trade School

Application Process:

Application materials must be received by **May 10, 2025** in order to be considered.

The following materials should be submitted through one of the following options:

E-mailed to bfactor@neo.rr.com or mailed to:

Bernie Factor: 466 S. Firestone Blvd., Akron, Ohio 44301:

1. Completed application form
2. Two (2) letters of recommendation from a teacher, coach, or community leader
3. A typed essay (Minimum of 500 words) addressing the following topic:

What impact has playing softball had on my life?

Selection Process:

Recipients will be selected by the Akron Amateur Softball Commission based on the application materials provided. Payment will be made to the 4-year accredited College/University, Community College or Trade school once the recipients have provided confirmation of registration.

Purpose of Scholarship:

To provide financial assistance to a softball player with an interest in pursuing continued education in any field.

Any questions please contact Bernie Factor at [330-858-8176](tel:330-858-8176) or bfactor@neo.rr.com



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Akron Amateur Softball Commission www.summitcountysoftballhof.com

Akron Amateur Softball Commission Scholarship Application Form

Please complete this form. Information must be typed or printed directly on this form.

Name: _____ Age: _____

High School currently attending: _____

Accredited 4-year College/University, Community College or Trade School name:

Accredited 4-year College/University, Community College or Trade School Admissions Office telephone #:

Home Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____ Phone # _____

How many years have you played High School Softball: _____ Softball Varsity Letters: _____

Softball Honors: _____

Other Activities/Sports: _____

Jobs/Volunteer Work: _____

Community Involvement: _____

Scholastic Record (To be completed by Principal or Counselor)

Applicant currently ranks _____ in her senior class of _____ students.

Her Grade Point Average is _____.

Signed: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

All application materials must be received by May 10, 2025 in order to be considered.



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LOLLIPOP CO-OPERATIVE PRESCHOOL

1280 E AURORA ROAD MACEDONIA, OHIO 44056 – (330) 467-6849

LOLLIPOP CO-OP PRESCHOOL ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP

A \$250.00 scholarship will be awarded to a Senior High School student who is an alumni of Lollipop Preschool and who shows characteristics of being a well-rounded individual: the student shows determination to succeed in school, has aspirations for the applicant's future after high school, and is involved in the applicant's community.

FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP, THE APPLICANT:

Must be a Lollipop Preschool Alumni.

Must write a 500 – 1500 word essay describing the applicant's aspirations for the future after high school and why. (This may include future schooling, career choices, additional community involvement, etc.) This essay must be typed.

Must complete the attached Lollipop scholarship application.

Must include 1 teacher recommendations emailed to the email address below.

Please email the completed application, essay, and letters of recommendation to:

Ashley Gomula - Secretary@Lollipoppreschool.com

All applications MUST be received by Friday April 4, 2025. The scholarship winner will be notified at the beginning of May 2025.

If there are any questions, please email Ashley Gomula - Secretary@Lollipoppreschool.com

LOLLIPOP CO-OPERATIVE PRESCHOOL – 1280 E AURORA ROAD MACEDONIA, OHIO 44056 – (330) 467-6849

LOLLIPOP CO-OP PRESCHOOL ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

High School you are graduating from: _____

College, Trade School, or continuing education you are planning to attend: _____

Phone Number (Home or Cell): _____

E-mail address: _____

What year(s) did you attend Lollipop? _____

Do you have any Lollipop memories to share? (Teachers/Friends/Activities, etc): _____

Essay Portion: Write a 500 to 1500 word essay describing your aspirations for your future after high school and why.

(This may include future schooling, career choices, additional community involvement, etc.)



Student Engagement Seal

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT SEAL

DIGITAL SUBMISSION PROCESS



DO YOU WANT TO EARN THE STUDENT ENGAGEMENT SEAL?

LOG IN TO SCHOOLINKS, FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES AND STEPS BELOW!

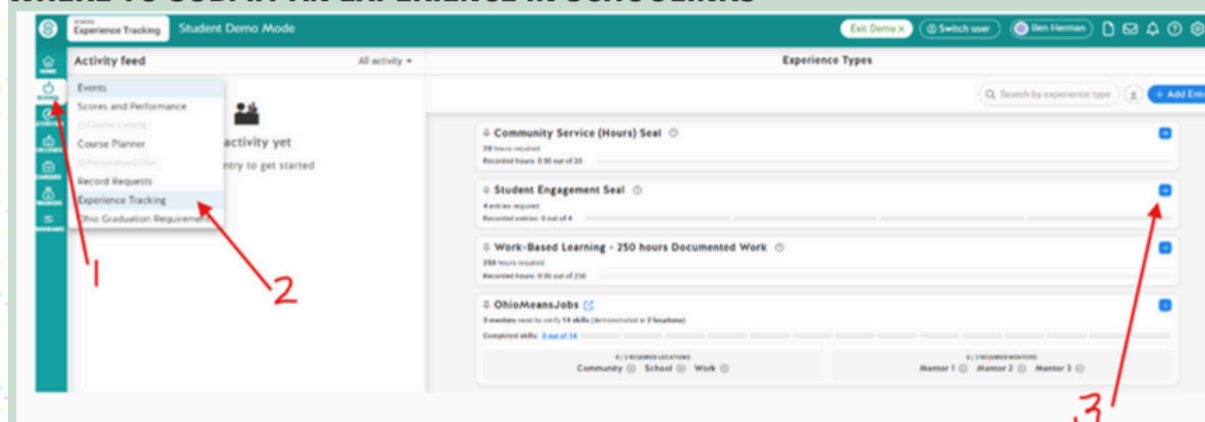
- Only use Experience Tracking to enter a Nordonia High School activity (club, sport, class officer/leadership)
- Each SEASON or SEMESTER of an activity, must be submitted in SchoolLinks SEPARATELY. The Student Engagement Seal will automatically be assigned once 4 submissions have been verified and approved separately.
- DO NOT enter COURSES or their activities (Band and Choir). Completing 1 year of either course and their activities will automatically award the Student Engagement Seal.
- Ask your advisor for their correct email before entering. Otherwise, your activity will not be verified. All NHS sports should use Mr. Eckenrode's email as the advisor: (rob.eckenrode@nordoniaschools.org)



GATHER BEFORE YOU SUBMIT

NHS ACTIVITY NAME
SUPERVISOR'S NAME
SUPERVISOR'S EMAIL
MONTHS OF ACTIVITY

WHERE TO SUBMIT AN EXPERIENCE IN SCHOOLINKS





Community Service

NEW! COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS DIGITAL SUBMISSION PROCESS



STUDENT FRIENDLY!

- EASIER & FASTER!
- NO MORE LOSING PAPER COPIES!
- CHECK YOUR HOURS ANY TIME!
- SEE YOUR PROGRESS TOWARDS THE COMMUNITY SERVICE SEAL!
- PREVIOUS HOURS ARE ALREADY TRANSFERRED OVER!
- DOWNLOAD REPORT OF YOUR HOURS FOR RESUMES AND SCHOLARSHIPS!



LOGIN TO SCHOOLINKS AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS

- [How to Record and Edit Community Service Hours in SchoolLinks](#)
- [How to Download Community Service Hours from the Experience Tracker](#)



INFO TO GATHER BEFORE YOU SUBMIT

ORGANIZATION
ADDRESS
PHONE #

SUPERVISOR'S EMAIL

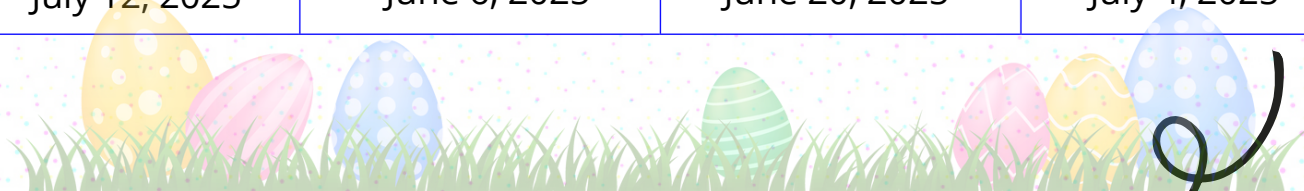
DATE & TIME

WHAT DID YOU DO?



ACT Test Dates 2024-2025

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	Photo Upload Standby Deadline
September 14, 2024	August 9, 2024	August 25, 2024	September 6, 2024
October 26, 2024	September 20, 2024	October 7, 2024	October 18, 2024
December 14, 2024	November 8, 2024	November 22, 2024	December 6, 2024
February 8, 2025	January 3, 2025	January 20, 2025	January 31, 2025
April 5, 2025	February 28, 2025	March 16, 2025	March 28, 2025
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025	May 26, 2025	June 6, 2025
July 12, 2025	June 6, 2025	June 20, 2025	July 4, 2025



SAT Test Dates 2024-2025

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	SAT Online Score Release
August 24, 2024	August 9, 2024	August 13, 2024	September 6, 2024
October 5, 2024	September 20, 2024	September 24, 2024	October 18, 2024
November 2, 2024	October 18, 2024	October 22, 2024	November 15, 2024
December 7, 2024	November 22, 2024	November 26, 2024	December 20, 2024
March 8, 2025	February 21, 2025	February 25, 2025	TBD
May 3, 2025	April 18, 2025	April 22, 2025	TBD
June 7, 2025	May 22, 2025	May 27, 2025	TBD



College Applications

Students can easily access the following College Application documents in Google Classroom.

[Fall Classroom Guidance Presentation on College Applications](#)

[Procedures for Completing College Applications for Students](#)

What You Should Do Now?

- Finish career exploration/determine higher education needs
 - Meet with Mrs. Monaco if you need support in finding a career path (deb.monaco@nordoniaschools.org)
- Finish campus visits and create list of schools to apply to
- View applications, deadlines, and procedures for prospective colleges and begin!
- Get familiar with applications, Common App (if applicable), and SchoolLinks
- Register and re-take ACT and/or SAT (SAT Subject Tests) if necessary
- Complete the Brag Sheet in SchoolLinks if require letters of recommendation
- Review "Important Dates for Seniors"



Financial Aid

FINANCIAL AID! WHAT SHOULD YOU BE DOING FOR THE FAFSA

Everyone Needs an FSA ID!

- ✓ This will serve as your legal signature on federal financial aid documents and the FAFSA.
- ✓ Go to www.studentaid.gov.
- ✓ Click on Create Account and create an FSA ID (federal student aid ID) for student **AND** anyone who is contributing to the FAFSA.
- ✓ You will need a permanent email and mobile-phone number.
- ✓ Create your FSA ID now, **don't wait until December!**



To be ready to complete the FAFSA as soon as it's available, consider the following steps:

1. Students should create a StudentAid.gov account
2. Learn about the documents they may need.
3. Determine their dependency status and whether their parent(s) will need to provide information.
4. If they are a dependent student, use the Who's MyFAFSAParent? wizard to identify the required contributors.

To stay up to date, students should make sure their email addresses are current in their StudentAid.gov account so they can receive these updates.

FINANCIAL AID EVENING PRESENTATION

- [Financial Aid and College App Evening Recording](#)
- [Financial Aid Night Presentation](#)

[The FAFSA Hub](#)

[Federal Student Aid](#)

