



Counselor's Corner

September, 2022

Dates to Remember

9/5: Labor Day (no school)
9/7: UWA lunch visit
9/14: UA lunch visit
9/16: Deadline for Oct ACT
9/21: UA College Fair

Scholarship of the Month!

The Coca-Cola Scholars Program scholarship is an achievement-based scholarship awarded to students in their final year of high school. Students are recognized for their capacity to lead and serve, as well as their commitment to making a significant impact on their schools and communities.

Amount: \$20,000

Deadline: Oct 31

Website: <https://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/apply>



**COCA-COLA
SCHOLARS
FOUNDATION**

Now that some of the dust has settled, its time to buckle down and focus for a successful school year!

Seniors, if you haven't already begun thinking about what you will do after high school, you better start now! You have three options: enroll in a post-secondary school, enlist in the military, or join the workforce. Each requires planning.

- Enroll: Make a list of 5-10 schools you are interested in. Create a spreadsheet of application deadlines and requirements to keep yourself organized.
- Enlist: Research each branch of the military. Contact a recruiter. If you need to take the ASVAB, come see me!
- Employ: See if there are apprenticeship opportunities available. Make an appointment with our career coach!

Juniors, use this year to start narrowing down your options for life after high school. Are your credits on track to graduate? Are planning to graduate early? Remember, if you choose to go to college this is the last year to get your GPA as good as you can get it. Your cumulative GPA up to your junior year is what you will use to apply!

Sophomores and Freshman, use this year to explore your options for life after high school. Focus on your academics. Remember, it is harder to build up your GPA than it is to tank it completely.



The SVHS Junior-Senior Info Book is on its way!

This over 50 page book gives you a breakdown of preparing for life after Sipsey.

Like the
SVHS Social
Worker/Counselor
Facebook page!



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Curious about College?

Many seniors choose to continue their education at the post-secondary level. Applying to college can be challenging, but we will have many opportunities for assistance throughout the year!

College Fair

On 9/21, all seniors will attend the West Alabama College Fair held at the University of Alabama. Many colleges from around the area will be present. This is your chance to talk face to face with college representatives.

Shelton State Visits

Every 4th Thursday from September to May, representatives from Shelton will be available in the library to help you with applications, FAFSA, scholarships, and much more!



College Application Week

10/17-10/21

During this week many Alabama colleges will waive their application fees! We will have many events set up to help you take advantage of this opportunity and send in those applications!

Lunchroom visits

Throughout the year, representatives from colleges will visit during lunch. They will be available on the stage in the cafeteria to answer your questions and hand out information. Here are some of our upcoming visits!

9/7: UWA

9/14: UA

10/12: Montevallo

Curious about Careers?

If you ever had trouble answering the question “what are you going to do when you grow up?” or even if you always had an answer, use these resources to help you figure it out!

Career Coach

Sipsey Valley is fortunate to have Mrs. Lewis as our career coach! She will be on campus most Wednesdays to help you with your career needs.

If you’ve wondered how to get into a certain industry or how to get an apprenticeship or playing sports in college or applying to college or anything else career related, Mrs. Lewis is here for you!

Mrs. Lewis will also be in many of our classrooms to further help you narrow down your career options.

Scan the QR code to schedule an appointment.



Worlds of Work

This year the freshman will get the opportunity to attend West Alabama’s Worlds of Work in October. This isn’t your typical job fair! Freshman will be able to explore a variety of career options they may not have ever considered.

Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors are also invited to attend the Varsity session.

You will be entered to win a \$1,000 Shelton Scholarship if you attend!

For more info:

<https://worldsofwork.com/about/>



Testing!

Administered at School



Test	Grade	Date
PreACT	10 th	Oct 5
ACT WorkKeys	12 th	Oct 5
ACCESS for ELLs		Feb 15
ACAP Alternate		Mar 1
ACT with Writing	11 th	April 11

2022-2023 ACT Test Dates

Testing Date	Regular Deadline	Late Deadline
Sept 10	Aug 5	Aug 19
Oct 22	Sept 16	Sept 30
Dec 10	Nov 4	Nov 11
Feb 11	Jan 6	Jan 20
April 15	Mar 10	Mar 24
June 10	May 5	May 19
July 15	June 16	June 23



To register for the ACT, visit act.org

Things to look forward to...

September

5th: Labor Day (no school)

7th: UWA lunchroom visit

14th: UA lunchroom visit

21st: UA College Fair

October

5th: PreACT (9th grade)

5th: ACT WorkKeys (12th grade)

12th: Montevallo lunchroom visit

13th: W. O. W. Varsity

14th: W. O. W. (9th grade)

17th-21st: College Application Week