

# AUGUST MONTHLY <sup>GOOD</sup> NEWSLETTER

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## GET STARTED ON YOUR GOALS



Do you want to pursue a college education, but you just aren't sure where to start? Did you have a life event that caused you to default on your student loans and you need direction on how to regain your Pell Grant eligibility? Are you a new mom or dad who had to put your education on hold and now you're ready to jump back into the academic arena? No matter where you are on your college and career path, **Educational Partners** is here to help!

Don't let the past setbacks or obstacles in your life stop you from achieving your goals. Our Education Specialists are here to help guide you in the right direction. Whether it's FASFA application assistance, help finding free money to pay for your education, or exploring different career paths - we're here to help you pursue your dreams and accomplish your goals.

If you need college and career assistance, let us help you!

For questions, and to get started, contact your local Education Specialist at 937-223-5074.

## HEADS UP!

Did you know you can increase your SAT score by an average of 39 points with six hours of SAT practice with the **Official SAT Practice**? These hours can be broken down into just 15 minutes a day of SAT practice, and it's a great way for you to get familiar with taking the official SAT test.

The **Official SAT Practice** is a free, online practice SAT test created in partnership with **CollegeBoard** and **Khan Academy**. The practice test is personalized, interactive, has 8 full-length official SAT practice tests, and provides test takers with instant feedback as they progress.

Don't wait until test day, get prepared now!

Visit [collegereadiness.collegeboard.org](http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org) to get started on the Official SAT Practice test.



## SAT DATES

2020 SAT TEST DATES AND DEADLINES

SAT TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
SEPTEMBER 26, 2020	AUGUST 26, 2020
OCTOBER 3, 2020	SEPTEMBER 4, 2020
NOVEMBER 7, 2020	OCTOBER 7, 2020
DECEMBER 5, 2020	NOVEMBER 5, 2020

To register to take a SAT test and to check for testing site closures due to COVID-19, visit: [collegereadiness.collegeboard.org](http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org)

# DON'T WAIT. APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS TODAY.



It's never too early to start applying for scholarships! No matter your background, if you search hard enough, you're sure to find a scholarship that fits you. Let's face it, many potential students avoid college due to the fear of the inability to pay or not wanting to amass large amounts of student loan debts. But, until free public college education is a thing, scholarships and grants are your best friends to help you pay for college. Every scholarship application you submit is another opportunity for you to get one step closer to achieving your goals. So, boost your chances and apply to every scholarship you can. Whether you're a straight A student, an athlete, a single-mom, or if you'll be the first person in your family to go to college - there's a scholarship for you!

We know it can be overwhelming to sift through thousands of scholarships in search of the right one for you. So, we've put together a few tips to help you with your scholarship search.

## HELPFUL TIPS:

1. Be alert! Always do your research. Scholarships are meant to put money in your pocket to help you pay for college. You should NEVER have to pay to apply or to be considered for a scholarship.
2. It's always a best practice to have two email addresses, a personal email and a business email. Your business email should be used to apply for scholarships, colleges, and jobs. Your personal email address is for signing up for subscription services like Abode.
3. Use your resources! If you're involved in any sport, club, church, or community center, ask your coach, pastor, or organizer if they offer scholarships - even if they don't, they might know someone who does.
4. Be persistent. You won't get every scholarship you apply for and that's perfectly OK. Just take a deep breath, reach out if you need help, and keep applying. You'll get there!
5. Speak to your local **Educational Partners** Educational Specialist. We're here to help! The services we offer and our contact information is listed below.

## HERE'S WHAT EDUCATIONAL PARTNERS CAN DO FOR YOU!

**Educational Partners** has been assisting students with the college process for 30 years. Our income sensitive, free services are for those who are interested in attending college for the first time or for those who desire to go back to college to complete their degree.

### Services Educational Partners provides:

- FAFSA Completion Assistance and Scholarship searches
- College and Career Exploration
- College Admission Completion and Essay Help
- Student Loan Default (regaining Pell eligibility)
- SAT/ACT Reading Tutoring  
(Only for Oak Ridge High School College Bound participants)

For questions, and to get started, contact your local Education Specialist at 937-223-5074.

## EDUCATIONAL PARTNERS, INC. LOCATIONS

Our staff is currently working remotely due to COVID-19. For assistance, please contact an Education Specialist at: 937-223-5074.

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Orlando, FL 32839  
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# How to Create a Productive at-Home Work and Study Space

Due to COVID-19, many students and workers have had to transfer their classwork and work responsibilities to online, work-from-home platforms. Although being able to get your work done from the comfort of your home in your pajamas sounds awesome, working from home does come with its own set of challenges. Without the structure of a traditional classroom setting, many students may feel overwhelmed and unmotivated to get their work done at home. However, establishing a purposeful morning routine and taking a little time to set-up a healthy workspace that works for you can definitely help you become more productive and feel accomplished at the end of the day.

## Here's a few easy tips you can do today:

- 1 **Practice electronic wellness and get a good night's rest.**  
Turn off all unnecessary electronics and dim the lighting on your phone about 1 hour before you're ready to go to bed.
- 2 **Develop a healthy morning routine.**  
Hitting the snooze button on your alarm multiple times will only make you more tired! It's better to set a time and stick to it. Try your best to eat a balanced breakfast that will give you the energy you need to focus on your work.
- 3 **Organize your space.**  
You don't need a fancy office to have an effective workspace. Whether you'll be working from your computer desk or your kitchen table, all you need to do is make sure that your space is organized in a way that works for you and is free of clutter.
- 4 **Set your schedule.**  
Even though you're working from home, you still need to maintain a schedule, so you won't fall behind. Don't wait until the last minute to complete assignments, it will only stress you out later!



# Clark State Community College TechCred Program

**Clark State Community College** offers 137 **TechCred** approved programs, including 84 that can be completed entirely online. **TechCred** is a program that works in partnership with local employers to create skill-focused certification programs for in-demand jobs in Ohio. These certifications range from healthcare, information technology, manufacturing, business technology, Microsoft certifications, cyber security, and more. Many of these certificate programs can be used as resume enhancers and can be used as stepping-stones to later help you pursue an associate or bachelor's degree or jump right into the work force. The **TechCred** program is a great opportunity for those who prefer skill-based learning environments and who are ready to start a career with in-demand skills.



For more information, visit: [clarkstate.edu](http://clarkstate.edu)

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