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Dear Senior,

It's that time of year! If you are going to college after high school, you need to apply for your college or university's scholarships. Most schools have one application for the common scholarships. Also look for additional opportunities in your college email or school website. **Most deadlines are in March don't delay.**

I added several scholarships to the website today! Pay close attention to deadlines and application instructions. Let me know if you have questions or need a copy of your transcript. <https://johodnett44.wixsite.com/website/senior-newsletters>

Furthermore, if you have not started the financial aid process, you really need to get it done. You and your parents must complete the FAFSA application. You can apply online at www.fafsa.ed.gov; by applying online, this will speed up the application process. Remember, if you or your parents need assistance with the FAFSA, the LEARN representative can help you. Let me know if you need an appointment with her.

If you need people to write recommendation letters for you, be sure to ask them at least a week in advance and provide them with a list of your organizations, activities, awards, honors, achievements, volunteer service, work experience, etc.. Good recommendation letters do make a difference in college acceptances. Email me if you need a transcript to upload to an application. I also have a place to sign up to send transcripts and TSI score in my office.

Please remember that final senior GPAs will be calculated at the end of the 5th six weeks. This does not mean that you cannot fail a class or lose credit if you do not get your work done. It simply means that your final GPA will be calculated. Credit will not be awarded until you graduate and complete your courses.

Last but not least, if you have not gotten your meningitis shot, and plan on attending college, you need to do so before you graduate.

Mrs. Hodnett

