

Ronald Reagan High School

Senior Bulletin

November 2011

It has been great seeing seniors in the Counseling Office looking for college information and scholarship applications! The Reagan counselors started meeting with seniors last week, but if you have any questions before your counselor calls for you, complete a “Request to See the Counselor” form, and your counselor will send for you. As the Reagan counseling staff receives updated materials on scholarships and college admissions, we will share this information with you through the senior bulletin.

By now, all seniors should have received an updated copy of their transcript in the mail. This transcript includes your six semester class rank and cumulative grade average. Please check your transcript thoroughly; if you notice any errors, **see your counselor immediately!**

As you begin the college application process, please remember to request a transcript at least one week before it needs to be sent, request letters of recommendation two weeks before they need to be sent, and return completed scholarship applications at least one week before the postmark deadline. Plan ahead, and let us know if you have questions!

The Ronald Reagan Counseling Staff

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH IS THE DEADLINE
TO REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS/FORMS & LETTERS OF
RECOMMENDATION
TO MEET THE DECEMBER 1ST
DEADLINE FOR COLLEGE APPLICATIONS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

SAT TEST DATES

Ronald Reagan CEEB Code: 446-207
Register on the web at www.collegeboard.org

U.S. registration dates and deadlines

| 2011-12 Test Dates | Test | U.S. Registration Deadlines | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | Regular \$49.00 | Late (a fee applies) + \$26.00 |
| December 3, 2010 | SAT & Subject Tests | November 8, 2011 | November 20, 2011 |
| January 28, 2011 | SAT & Subject Tests | December 30, 2011 | January 13, 2012 |
| March 10, 2011 | SAT only | February 10, 2012 | February 24, 2012 |
| May 5, 2011 | SAT & Subject Tests | April 6, 2012 | April 20, 2012 |
| June 2, 2011 | SAT & Subject Tests | May 8, 2012 | May 22, 2012 |

ACT TEST DATES

2011-2012

Register online at ww.actstudent.org

| Test Date | Registration Deadline | (Late Fee Required) |
|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| September 10, 2011 | August 12, 2011 | August 13-26, 2011 |
| October 22, 2010 | September 16, 2011 | September 17 – 30, 2011 |
| December 10, 2011 | November 4, 2011 | November 5 – 18, 2011 |
| February 11, 2012 | January 13, 2012 | January 14 – 20, 2012 |
| April 14, 2012 | March 9, 2012 | March 10 – 23 2012 |
| June 9, 2012 | May 4, 2012 | May 5 – 18, 2012 |
| ACT plus Writing | \$49.50 | Late Registration Fee: \$21.00 |

SAT Prep Classes

Trinity University SAT Prep Classes

Dates: Session I – Sept. 19, 21, 26 & 28, 2011 (Mon. & Wed.)
 Session II – Sept. 20, 22, 27 & 29, 2011 (Tues. & Thurs.)
 Session III – Oct. 24, 26, 31 & Nov. 2, 2011 (Mon & Wed.)
 Session IV – Nov. 16, 21, 28 & 30, 2011 (Mon. & Wed.)

Class Hours: 6:30 – 9:30 pm

Fee: \$125.00

Location: Holt Conference Center, 106 Oakmont Court (corner of Shook & Oakmont)

Registration forms are available in the counseling office. Registration will be taken on a first-paid basis. Class size is limited to 42 students

Call (210) 999-7601 for additional information.

Mary Margaret Hunt's Test Prep and Tutoring

Go to <http://marymargarethunt.com/> for info on San Antonio dates and costs

The Tutoring Group SAT Preparation

To prepare for the Dec SAT –Basic Strategies

October 23rd through November 27th*

Sunday afternoons, 1:30 - 4:30

Regular registration is \$295

To prepare for the Dec. 3rd SAT -Complete Prep

September 10th through November 26th*

Saturday afternoons, 1:30 - 4:30

Regular registration is \$795

or

September 12th through November 30th*

Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:30

Regular registration is \$795

For more info and to register, call 494-4SAT

Or go to www.SATpreparation.net/SanAntonio

Courses held at 2105 Ventura Plaza, 434 N Loop 1604 W

THEA Exam

All public and some private universities in the state of Texas require the **THEA** (Texas Higher Education Assessment) for placement purposes. This test must be taken before a student enrolls in classes. **Entering freshmen may be exempt from taking the THEA if they meet at least one of the following standards:**

1. Earn an SAT I total score of 1070 or more, with a score of at least 500 each on the verbal and math portions of the test
2. Earn an ACT composite score of 23 or more, with a score of at least 19 each on the English and math portions of the test
3. Earn an Exit level TAKS (11th grade) score of at least 2200 on the English Language with at least a “3” on the writing subsection **and** at least a 2200 on the Mathematics section

Students can register for the THEA online at www.thea.nesinc.com. Please refer to the website or come to the counseling office to inquire about THEA test dates.

NCAA

National Collegiate Athletic Association

www.eligibilitycenter.org

When should students register? Students may register at anytime but it is recommended that they register during their junior year. The Eligibility Center will evaluate a student’s academic credentials once the following information has been received, and the student has had their status requested by an

- NCAA member institution;
- Completed online registration;
- Fee payment;
- SAT OR ACT test score on file from the respective testing agency;
- Transcript(s) from all schools or programs attended.

Official Test Scores

Test scores must be reported directly to the Eligibility Center from the ACT or SAT companies. Test scores will not be taken off transcript or from a student score report. When a student registers for the SAT or ACT, remind them to include the Eligibility Center code of 9999 so the test comes directly to the Eligibility Center at no extra charge. Remember that if a student takes the SAT or ACT multiple times, NCAA rules require that all scores must be reported to the Eligibility Center.

The Texas Common Application

All public universities in the state of Texas accept the Texas Common Application for Freshman Admission. Paper copies of this application are available in the Counseling Career Center; however, all universities prefer that students apply online at www.applytexas.org.

The Common Application

The Common Application is a standardized undergraduate college application form that is accepted at more than 400 accredited, independent colleges and universities nationwide. Most schools that use this application require both teacher forms (recommendation) and counselor forms (school report form) which are available on the <http://www.commonapp.org> site. The student is responsible for downloading and turning in the proper forms to the teacher and transcript clerk or informing them of the online process.

Ordering a Transcript

When a student applies to a university, he or she must also send an official transcript. This transcript must be sent directly from Reagan to the university. Your transcript is a record of all courses taken in high school and all semester grades received in those courses. Your class rank and high school grade average also appear on your transcript.

Transcripts may be ordered from Mrs. Miller in the Counseling Office. The cost is \$5.00 per transcript (the first official transcript sent is free). Transcripts that are needed for scholarship applications are free. Mrs. Miller must have a **minimum of 5 days'** notice before sending a transcript. Transcripts cannot be faxed or mailed via overnight services. Official copies of transcripts **cannot** be given to students or to parents to be delivered to another school or individual. **PLAN AHEAD SO THAT YOUR TRANSCRIPTS WILL ARRIVE BY THE PUBLISHED DEADLINE.**

ACT/SAT test scores must be requested from the testing agency by the student for college admission or scholarship. We do not print ACT/SAT scores on your transcript.

You must have a release form on file in the Counseling Office to order a transcript!!!

FINANCIAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Many of the following programs and services require students to establish their eligibility, or financial need, by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The

FAFSA forms must be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. These forms can only be completed once your parents' 2010 income tax returns have been completed.

- **Scholarships** are available to those who show evidence of outstanding academic performance. Some scholarships may also require that you show financial aid eligibility.
- **Grants**, like scholarships, do not have to be repaid. The demand for grants is great, and there is limited funding available. Therefore, students with the highest financial aid eligibility are likely to receive this type of award.
- **Employment** through the federal or state Work Study Program is available to students who show financial aid eligibility and who want to work part-time during the academic year. Most employment opportunities are on campus.
- **Long Term Student Loans** are available at low interest rates through the Federal Family Educational Loan programs. Some loans do not accrue interest, and none require repayment until you have been out of school for six months. Remember that loans must be repaid.

Each college or university has a Financial Aid/Scholarship Office. Contact your university for assistance with scholarships, grants, employment and loan opportunities.

THE PIPER FOUNDATION prints a booklet entitled the **Compendium**. This book lists all Texas colleges, their entrance requirements, deadlines, tuition, room and board costs and financial aid available. Additionally, the book contains an extensive listing of general scholarships. The Compendium will be available in the Career Center in September and is also available via the web at www.window.state.tx.us/scholars/mspmain.html.

HELPFUL FINANCIAL AID WEBSITES

College Board – everything from online SAT to college search engines to financial aid calculators – www.collegeboard.com

Scholarship Search – Register on www.fastweb.com

Information for Student Athletes – www.ncaa.org

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) – www.fafsa.ed.gov

College for Texans Website – Offers information about applying for college, degree Offerings, financial aid, college location maps and much more
www.collegefortexans.com



Scholarship News

The following pages will list a variety of scholarships available via the internet or through completion of an application on file in the

Counseling Office. Seniors, be sure to check weekly for any new scholarships that arrive and listen to the daily announcements for additional information.

The Scholarship Application File is located in the rear of the Counseling Office. Your counselor can assist you in locating the specific application in which you are interested.

ATTENTION: Many scholarships require transcripts or letters of recommendation. Order your transcripts well before the scholarship deadline!!



Scholarship forms must be complete and to Mrs. Miller at least one week before the mailing deadline if they require a transcript and at least two weeks before the mailing deadline if your counselor must write a letter of recommendation.

Scholarship applications and/or transcript requests brought to the Counseling Office on the day they are to be mailed will not be processed on time. DO YOUR PART AND PLAN AHEAD!!!

Lastly, if your counselor will be writing letters of recommendation for you, please bring a copy of your resume and your completed senior questionnaire to the Counseling Office. Questionnaires are available in the Counseling Career Center.



University Scholarships

University of Texas at Austin

Information about freshman scholarship applications are available online at <http://www.texasscholarships.org/apply/freshman/FSA.html> and must be completed **by December 1, 2011.**

Texas A & M University

Freshman scholarship applications are available online at https://scholarships.tamu.edu/tamu_scholarships/freshman.aspx and must be completed by **December 1, 2011**. Other deadlines vary from November 1 to February 1 depending on the scholarship. Samples of the applications and information on the different scholarships are available in the counseling office.

University of Texas at Dallas

Freshmen are considered for scholarships by submitting an admission application prior to March 1, 2011. Details regarding their scholarships are available at <http://oue.utdallas.edu/aes/>.

University of Texas at San Antonio

Freshman scholarship applications are available online at <http://www.utsa.edu/scholarships> and must be completed by **February 2012**. Specific date TBA.

UTSA Terry Foundation Scholarship Program

Sixteen (16) new awards for fall 2008 averaging \$46,000 over a four-year period. Information and the application are available at www.utsa.edu/terryscholars/. Application deadline is **February 1, 2012**.

UTSA Honors College Scholarships

Twenty (20) Presidential Honors Scholarships are available for fall 2008 of \$6,000 over a four-year period. Students must meet one of the following: 1) top 10 % class rank, 2) minimum SAT score of 1100, 3) minimum ACT score of 24 and must enroll in the Honors College. The application is available at <http://utsa.edu/honors/scholarships.cfm> deadline is **February 15, 2012**.

Baylor University

When you apply for admission, you will automatically be considered for merit scholarships. Freshmen will be considered on the basis of SAT/ACT scores and high school class rank. If you wish to be considered for need-based financial aid, you will need to complete the FAFSA form after Jan. 1. For more information, visit www.baylor.edu.

Texas Tech University

Information about financial aid available at <http://www.fina.ttu.edu>.

University of the Incarnate Word

Financial aid information -- <http://www.uiw.edu/finaid/index.htm>

Our Lady of the Lake University

Scholarship and financial aid information--

<http://www.ollusa.edu/s/1190/ollu.aspx?sid=1190&gid=1&pgid=1073>

Trinity University

Scholarship and financial aid information--

http://www.trinity.edu/departments/financial_aid/mz3/index.shtml.

Texas State University

Freshman scholarships: <http://www.finaid.txstate.edu/contact/contact/faasb.html>

St. Mary's University

Freshman scholarships:

<http://www.stmarytx.edu/admission/?go=fasFreshmanScholarships>, priority consideration deadline is **January 15, 2012**.

Army ROTC Scholarships

These full-tuition scholarships are tied to a 4-6 year military commitment upon graduation. Apply for a scholarship at www.armyrotc.com.

University of Nebraska

Jeffrey Raikes School of Computer Science and Management

The Raikes School pays the cost of a student's room and board. Additional information is available online at <http://raikes.unl.edu>. The deadline to apply is **November 15**.

Washington University in St. Louis

Scholarships have deadlines as early as October 15, 2011 and some require students be nominated by their school counselor. For more information visit

<http://admissions.wustl.edu/scholarships/programs/Pages/default.aspx>.

Ball State University (Muncie, IN) Acting, Musical Theatre and Dance Scholarships

To find out more about dates of auditions and application deadlines, visit:

www.bsu.edu/theatre

Willamette University (Salem, OR) Music Scholarship Auditions

<http://www.willamette.edu/cla/music/contact/index.php>

Westminster University (Salt Lake City, UT)

Information on Scholarship Programs available in Career Center. Westminster offers a wide variety of scholarships including full tuition for National Merit Scholars.

http://www.westminstercollege.edu/financial_aid_undergraduate/

Boston University

Scholarship information--<http://www.bu.edu/admissions/apply/costs-aid-scholarships/scholarships/>

Davidson College (NC)

Bryan Scholarships and Davidson Scholars offer \$20,000-30,000 annual awards to top incoming scholar athletes. The John Montgomery Belk Scholarship recognizes and rewards students of demonstrated outstanding intellectual personal achievement and significant leadership ability. Students must be nominated by their home school. If you have an interest in Davidson and would like to be considered, please contact your counselor. <http://www3.davidson.edu/cms/x32703.xml>

Colorado College

Scholarship Information: <http://www.coloradocollege.edu/financialaid/Prospective/>

Indiana University

Please visit <http://www.scholarships.indiana.edu/scholarships/index.php>. November 1st is priority date for admission and maximum scholarship consideration.

Emory University

Emory Scholars Program is one of the most prestigious merit-based scholarship programs in American higher education. Please contact your counselor if you are interested in Emory University in Atlanta, GA. Nomination materials and your completed application must be to Emory by **November 15, 2011**. Visit http://www.emory.edu/admission/financial_aid/merit_scholarships/emory_scholars.html for more information.

Northwood University

Freshmen Academic Merit Scholarships

Visit <http://www.northwood.edu/tx/financialaid/fundingyoureducation/default.aspx> for details.

The College of New Jersey

Application fee waivers are available in the Reagan Counseling Office. Contact your counselor for details. Deadline is February 15, 2012.

University of Notre Dame Hesburgh-Yusko Scholars Program

A merit based scholarship and leadership development program which awards \$25,000 per year towards cost of attending Notre Dame and summer enrichment programs. If you are interested, please contact your counselor. Details are available at www.hesburgh-yusko.org. The deadline is November 15, 2011.

Scholarships

November Deadlines

Texas Christian University (TCU) Texas Youth Entrepreneur of the Year Awards

Students who operate their own business can participate, and this is not limited to seniors. One \$5,000 and four \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to any university—the scholarships are doubled if the student attends TCU! Check it out online at <http://www.neeley.tcu.edu/txyouth/>. Applications are due **November 1, 2011**.

FIRE's "Freedom in Academia" Essay Contest

The Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE) is pleased to announce its fourth annual "Freedom in Academia" essay contest. High school seniors graduating in 2012 from across the U.S. are invited to write an in-depth essay explaining why free speech and First Amendment rights are crucial to higher education and how abuses of these rights harm education. First Place receives a \$5000 scholarship. Details are available at <http://thefire.org/takeaction/students/essaycontest>. Deadline is Nov. 5, 2011.

December Deadlines

Savannah College of Art and Design Jewelry Design Scholarship Contest

The SCAD Challenge jewelry competition calls for works that employ sustainable design thinking in wearable and forward-thinking jewelry pieces. Submitted works must mostly be composed of recycled materials—computer hardware, broken ceramics, old zippers, etc.—and should be functional and fashionable. Visit www.scad.edu/scadchallenge for more details. The deadline is December 2, 2011.

AXA Achievement Scholarship

To qualify, you must demonstrate ambition, determination, respect and the ability to succeed in college. Go to <http://www.axa-equitable.com/axa-foundation/AXA-achievement-scholarship.html> to learn more about the scholarship programs. Apply by **December 1, 2011**.

Optimist International Essay and Oratorical Contests, Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Deadline is **Dec. 31, 2011**. Visit <http://www.optimist.org/e/member/scholarships1.cfm> for details. To enter, you must contact your local Optimist Club

Young Entrepreneur Award Scholarship

\$1,000 to \$10,000 to graduating senior who owns and operates their own business. Apply online at <http://www.NFIB.com/YEA>. **Deadline is Dec. 15, 2011**.

San Antonio Legal Secretaries Association Scholarship

A \$750 scholarship will be awarded in April 2011 to a student pursuing a career in the legal field. Student must have a grade point average of 3.0, have financial need, and submit a complete application by **December 16, 2011**. Applications are available in the Counseling Office.

"Make The U" (Ha La U) Scholarship Program

11 grants will be awarded students of Hispanic heritage. Sponsored by Colgate-Palmolive Co. and the Hispanic Scholarship Fund. Details available at www.colgate.com/hazlu. Deadline is **December 31, 2011**.

I Was Born in 1994, 1995, or 1996 Scholarship

Essay topics for scholarship are available at www.scholarshipexperts.com/apply.htx

January Deadlines

Lowe's Scholarships

One hundred forty \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded. Applications will be available Jan. 1, 2012. Please visit the website for details.

http://careers.lowes.com/college_recruiting_scholarship.aspx.

Gates Millennium Scholars

Visit www.gmsp.org for more details. Outstanding scholarship opportunities for minority and economically disadvantaged students. All paper and online applications must be postmarked/submitted by **January 11, 2012**.

Savannah College of Art and Design Lamp Design Scholarship Contest

High school seniors are invited to submit images of an original illuminated sculpture. Entrants should approach preliminary designing with an idea of the space the finished lamp should occupy; referring to design and interior decorating magazines for inspiration and an understanding of contemporary design is encouraged. Visit www.scad.edu/scadchallenge for more details. **The deadline is Jan.13, 2012**.

Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) Engineers Scholarship Program

Applicants must intend to earn a degree in engineering or a related science (math, chemistry, physics, biology, technologies, computer science). Deadline is **January 15,**

2012. Applications are available at <http://students.sae.org/awdscholar/scholarships/hsseniors.htm>.

Jose Antonio Navarro Distinguished Student Scholarship Award
Two \$1000 scholarships will be awarded. The application and criteria are available in the counseling office or online at www.casanavarro.org. The applications must be turned into the counseling office or postmarked in the mail by **January 29, 2012**.

Texas Student Housing Scholarship

THSA Scholarship is open to students accepted to colleges in Austin, College Station, or Denton, TX, that have not signed off-campus housing leases. Applications are available in the Reagan Counseling Office. Deadline is Jan. 31, 2012.

February Deadlines

Burger King Scholars Program

The awards are \$1,000 each. To obtain information about the eligibility criteria, visit http://www.haveyourwayfoundation.org/bksp_scholarship_eligibility.html.

Applications are available online November through February. Check website for details.

SME Education Foundation Scholarship Program

Various Scholarships for students pursuing a degree in manufacturing engineering, manufacturing engineering technology, or a closely related manufacturing field of study.

<http://www.smeeef.org/programs/scholarships.html> Deadline is February 1, 2012.

Savannah College of Art and Design Accessories and Fashion Design Scholarship Contest

High school seniors are invited to submit an original purse design that demonstrates originality and a unique fashion sense. Entries must be functional as handbags, but may be created from any type of material, ranging from upcycled T-shirts and shredded magazine pages to newly bought luxury fabrics and beading. High school seniors are invited to submit an original garment created from non-traditional materials. Fabric cannot be visible in the garment, although entrants are permitted to use it as a base for holding the garment together. Visit www.scad.edu/scadchallenge for more details. **The deadline is Feb. 3, 2012.**

May Deadlines

San Antonio A&M Club Foundation

The San Antonio A&M Club Foundation will award four scholarships to freshmen entering Texas A&M at either College Station or Galveston campus. Each scholarship will be awarded for four years at \$1000 per year as long as the student maintains the minimum standards set by the foundation. Blank applications may be obtained and printed off www.aggiepark.com. The applications must be received by **May 5, 2012** at the following address:

Jim Whiteaker '70, Scholarship Administrator
San Antonio A&M Club Foundation
6205 West Avenue
San Antonio, TX 78213

Wise Choice Scholarship

\$2500 scholarship for students graduating in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015. Details are available at <http://www.wisechoice.com/scholarship>. Deadline is May 31, 2012.

Additional Scholarship Opportunities

National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation

This scholarship is for high school seniors who have demonstrated a commitment to both a postsecondary foodservice education and a career in the restaurant and foodservice industry. Awards begin at \$2,500. Deadline is **August 2012**. Visit their website at www.nraef.org/scholarships/highschool/ for details.

Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF) – www.hsf.net

The American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program

Please visit <http://www.legion.org/programs/youthprograms/oratorical> for details.

SkillsUSA Championship Scholarship

www.skillsusa.org/students/scholarships.shtml

College Weekend Visit and Local Information / Event Opportunities

Washington and Lee University

The Witte Museum,

Monday, November 2, 2011, 7 PM

3801 Broadway, S.A., TX

University of the Ozarks

Fall Campus Preview Day

Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011

Register at www.ozarks.edu/preview

Schreiner University Saturday

November 12, 2011-Seniors Only

February 25, 2012- Juniors and Seniors

Register at http://www.schreiner.edu/admission/campus_visits.html#saturdays

University of Nebraska Campus Visit Events

See details and register at admissions.unl.edu/visit at least two weeks prior to event date

Texas State - Saturday Bobcat Days

Visit <http://www.admissions.txstate.edu/visit/bobcat-days.html>.

Louisiana State University- Campus Visit Days

Nov. 21

Register at www.lsu.edu/kickofflsu

Texas Lutheran University

http://www.tlu.edu/prospective_students/prospective_students_visit_tlu

Steven F. Austin State University

Showcase Saturdays – <http://www.sfasu.edu/admissions/visitsfa/showcase.asp>

Austin College (Sherman, TX)
Science and Math Division Preview – Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011
Fall Preview—Nov. 21, 2011
Register online at: www.austincollege.edu/preview.

Kansas State University
Learn more at www.consider.k-state.edu/specialevents
Call 1-800-432-8270 to schedule a campus visit.

University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Learn more at www.admissions.unl.edu/visit.

Norwich University
Leadership Challenge Weekend & Youth Leadership Conference
Norwich is the nation's first senior military college.
Visit <http://www.norwich.edu/admissions/lcw.html> for details.

University of Mobile (Alabama)
www.umobile.edu/visit 800-946-7267

Barnard - The Liberal Arts College for Women in New York City
Register at www.barnard.edu/admiss or call 212-854-2014

Sewanee - The University of the South (Sewanee, TN)
2011 Fall Previews
Multicultural Experience Weekend
Register <http://visit.sewanee.edu/options/events> or 800-522-2234

Mount Holyoke College
www.mtholyoke.edu/go/adments

The University of Chicago
Day of Diversity Open House
To register online, go to <http://collegeadmissions.uchicago.edu/dod.asp>.

Skidmore College
General Campus Open Houses
www.skidmore.edu 800-867-6007

COLLEGES VISITING THE REAGAN CAMPUS

NOVEMBER– All dates are subject to change

- 1 Barnard College**
Auditorium Foyer
12:30 – 1:40

- 7 Texas Tech University**
Auditorium Foyer
11:35 – 2:15

- 29 United States Naval Academy**
Auditorium Foyer
11:30 – 2:15

Attention all 18 year old Males:

You need to register with the Selective Service System. If you do not register, you could lose the right to federal student loans and grants, scholarships, or many federal jobs.

Register at the Post Office or online at www.sss.gov

Congressman Lamar Smith has a deadline of **October 22, 2011** for students who wish to compete for a nomination to one of the four United States Service Academies. (West Point, Naval Academy, Air Force Academy and Merchant Marine Academy) Seniors who who are interested and reside in the 21st Congressional district need to contact the Kerrville office as soon as possible. The application/information is online at <http://www.lamarsmith.house.gov/ConstituentServices/serviceacademynominations.htm> Staff Assistant Anne Overby in Congressman Smith's Kerrville office is available to assist you. If you have any questions, she can be reached at 830.896.0154 or via email at Anne.Overby@mail.house.gov. Selection is based on SAT/ACT scores, class ranking, grade point average, extracurricular activities, leadership potential and motivation.