

Senior Parent/Financial Aid Night 2020

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Yearbook/Senior Pictures/Cap and Gown

- What is the deadline to take pictures with Prestige for the yearbook?
The window to make an appointment is October 20-22
- Prestige is asking for an 8-digit code to register for a session. Do we have one?
The link that needs to be used to make the appointments with Prestige (and will not ask for a code is
<http://www.prestigeportraits.com/sanantonio>
- Can students take their senior pictures on another day?
At this time, we are allotted the October 20-22 dates, there may be make up dates but those have not been scheduled yet.
- Can they hold the cap, or does it have to be worn on their heads?
The cap will need to be worn on their heads for the picture
- Do the yearbook ads make the price cheaper to purchasers or go to the school (rather than company...)?
Proceeds from ad sales go to the journalism department and help to cover the cost of producing the yearbook.
- What was the deadline for the yearbook submissions?
The deadline for ad submissions is 12/18/2020.
- What if a family cannot afford the cap and gown fee? Are there any alternatives?
Yes, if a family cannot afford the cost of the cap and gown, they can contact their counselor or the family specialist for help. The family specialist is Diana Esquivel-Guajardo desqui1@neisd.net

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Senior Dues/Free & Reduced Lunch

- Are the lee senior dues mandatory?
NO Senior dues are not mandatory. If they do not pay them, then they will not participate in the senior socials, will not get a senior shirt or water bottle. They will still get to participate in Senior movie day and Senior Field day though...They won't receive the extra stuff we given out that day.
- Who do we make senior due checks out to?
LEE High School for LEE dues, STEM Academy for STEM dues.
- Where can checks be turned in?
STEM dues can be turned into STEM office or you may pay by credit card via STEM website, link will be provided at a later date. LEE dues can be online at www.neisd.net/lee or in person in room S208 with cash, check or money order.
- Do all LEE students get free and reduced lunch or is it income based?
They get free breakfast/lunch thru December, but it's not the same as qualifying for it, to qualify for it you must fill out the application <https://www.neisd.net/Page/295>

SAT/ACT/College Applications/Financial Aid/Rank

- Does anyone know if the ACT will be offered on LEE campus?
The ACT is not offered at LEE, here is the website to view all testing center locations :
<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration/test-center-locator.html>

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- Do students just show up on Oct 14 for SAT or do they have to sign up?
If students are interested in taking the SAT School Day we ask that they sign up using this google form so that we have an accurate count <https://forms.gle/yfx3nZwJoNXxPJBE8> , they can also email Mrs. Schramm for information and questions cschra@neisd.net
- Will teachers know that students are taking the SAT school day?
Yes, teachers will know who will be taking the SAT school day and those students will not be marked absent.
- How correct are the District's posted SAT dates? Some have been said to be cancelled but are still posted?
The dates posted for SAT are current as far as we know. All dates are subject to be cancelled due to covid.
- What precautions are being taken for SAT school day?
Tests are being given in larger areas to accommodate the 6 feet social distancing rule. Desks/tables will be cleaned prior to testing, students are asked to arrive early to accommodate seating and social distancing.
- Are the students aware of the SAEP seminars?
Yes all information is in their senior google classroom as well as their STEM senior moodle. In addition, all information can be found on our website.
- Does SAEP scholarship take into consideration financial need?
Yes, one of the requirements is to submit the Student Aid Report (SAR) from the FAFSA application and the TASFA application to determine the financial need. We then utilize the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) that is provided on the FAFSA/TASFA application.

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- What is a 3rd essay?

In the Apply Texas Application they require students to complete the two required essays or the 3rd one as an optional essay. We encourage the students to do all 3 essays.

- I already have an FSA ID with my older son who's in college. Do I need to set up a new one for my senior?

No, if the parent has already created an FSA ID because of an older son/daughter attending college then you will be able to use that same FSA ID, the system will not allow you to create a new account only recover the password as it is only one account per person/social security number.

- If my senior does not qualify for free/reduced lunch, can the district provide them college fee waivers considering breakfast and lunch are free until December?

Even though students are receiving free breakfast and lunch, they must qualify through the application process to be eligible for the fee waiver for College Board

- What is the top 25%?

The top 25% of this graduating class is about 139 students, keeping in mind that rank is based on the overall weighted GPA of a student.

Other Questions

- Where would we fax Dr. notes or college visit forms for absences?

Please email notes to cgurro@neisd.net or rcantu5@neisd.net or Fax to 210-442-0325

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- How will issues with logging in effect that absence count?
If students are having trouble logging into zoom there could be an issue with authentication, click [here](#) for authentication help. Students are expected to log into their classes via zoom, they must also keep in communication with their teachers if they are having issues.
- How does a student make up hours if they have exceeded the number of absences they can have?
Students can receive local credits to recover absences by attending tutoring or completing work outside of the school day (10:00am-3:25pm).
- Please tell me how my daughter can add me as a guardian to the senior google classroom when she is not an owner of it?
If a parent wants to be invited they can send their email to tdelva@neisd.net or c-estrel@neisd.net or mpedra1@neisd.net and we can send them the invite.
Parents can be invited to join the page but will only be able to receive announcements weekly, not actually see the page itself.
- What if my students' transcript is not showing in the portfolio folder in skyward?
Please contact your student's counselor.
- When will we find out what cords my senior will be receiving? **In January they will get their final rank based on overall GPA, this will indicate honor grad status. The counselors will inform the students of honor grad status.**
- If our student is in Dual Enrollment and has already passed the TSI will they have to take it again if they do not take the SAT?
TSI scores are good for 5 years, so your student will not have to take another TSI.

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- For transcripts, what do students need to do if they took an On Ramps class and got credit for college?

Students who take OnRamps classes and get the college credit will need to order transcripts from UT Austin.

STEM Specific Q & A

- Will STEM stoles be provided for photos, and/or can we purchase somewhere?

No, the stoles will not be provided at the time of pictures. However, one may be borrowed from Ms. Muire, it is a little different from the same one they will wear at graduation.

- Do you have their t-shirt sizes for the STEM shirt?

We will be asking for the shirt size at the time of paying senior dues.

- So we can write a check to STEM for \$80?

Yes, STEM will distribute LEE dues to LEE.

- Are GPAs on a 5.0 scale for STEM?

GPA's are calculated based on the 100-point system. Some colleges ask for a conversion. The students may use this table for converting their GPA to a 4.0 scale.

<https://pages.collegeboard.org/how-to-convert-gpa-4.0-scale>