

## Gateway High School College & Career Success November News Blast

### College Information

- ★ Registration for Spring 2017 classes at the Community College of Aurora is starting now. If you are new to CCA classes and wish to apply please see your counselor for details on registering and taking the Accuplacer Test. The next test will be Tuesday November 28th. Students must be registered to take this test by Monday October 13th. New students are also required to attend a New Student Orientation before registering for classes.
- ★ The Free Applications for Federal Student Aid will now be available for prospective college students to fill out starting on October 1, 2017. Parents will use their 2016 taxes to fill out this important Financial Aid piece. Parents can get started at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)
- ★ If you need help with the FAFSA, a representative from CCA will be at Gateway's Parent Teacher Conferences Thursday November 9th. He will be able to help students and families complete the FAFSA or provide information.

### Upcoming College Visits/Fairs

#### ★ College Rep Visits at Gateway

Chadron State College	Thursday November 9th	9:00 AM & 4-7:30 PM
Colorado State University	Thursday November 9th	2:00 PM
CU Denver	Thursday November 9th	4-7:30 PM
Colorado State University, Pueblo	Thursday November 9th	4-7:30 PM

*Check for upcoming visits and sign up for visits through your Naviance account*

### College & career Coordinator's corner

#### **FAFSA Season**

Now is the time to be filling out your FAFSA. The free application for federal student aid allows college students to get awarded several types of financial aid to help pay for college. Students are not required to accept the awards they are offered, in fact they can't accept anything until they have been awarded money from the college they plan to attend.

Here are a few types of federal aid. Pell grants are free money that students do not have to pay back. Work study money can be used for students to get a job on the college campus they attend and can be used toward tuition or living expenses. Federal loans are a great way to pay for college. Loans through the federal government are less risky than private loans and students do not have to repay them until they complete their college degree.

Some colleges may even award students scholarships based upon their academic achievement and FAFSA information. Finally, some scholarships are beginning to ask for FAFSA information, so it's better to fill out the FAFSA now.

Get started on your FAFSA here [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov) website

## Scholarship Information

Remember!!! Please check NAVIANCE for new and due scholarships. Pay extra attention to due dates, and be sure to allow at least two weeks for requested letters to be written.

### **Daniels Fund Scholarship**

**11/30/17 By 4:00 PM.** No exceptions! - This scholarship can be used at any 2 or 4-year not-for-profit accredited college or university in the U.S.

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

To be eligible for the Daniels Scholarship Program, students must satisfy the following requirements at the time of application:

- Demonstrate **financial need**
- Be a **citizen or permanent resident of the United States**
- Be a **resident of Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, or Wyoming**
- Be a **high school senior** graduating from a school in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, or Wyoming
- Earn **ACT scores of at least 17 in each category** (Math, English, Reading, Science); or an **SAT Math score of at least 400 and Critical Reading score of at least 440**. Writing scores are not required. All test scores must come from a single test and must be submitted by the application deadline. Super scoring is not accepted.

### **How does the Daniels Scholarship Program determine financial need?**

The Daniels Fund assesses financial need by evaluating a number of factors such as the income and assets of the applicant's parent(s) or legal guardian(s), the income and assets of the applicant, and individual circumstances.

**Students do not need to be Pell eligible** to be financially eligible for the Daniels Scholarship Program.

The first step in applying is completing the 2017/2018 FAFSA, which can be completed [here](#) starting October 1, 2016. After completing the FAFSA, it will take 3-5 days to receive the scholar's Student Aid Report (SAR), which will indicate their Expected Family Contribution (EFC). This information is required to proceed with the application.

Applicants must complete the Daniels Scholarship Program Eligibility Questionnaire requiring information from their SAR and additional financial information from the applicant and his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s). Applicants who do not satisfy the eligibility requirements will not be able to proceed to the application. Applicants who meet the eligibility requirements, will be required to submit documents that will be used to verify their eligibility, such as their SAR; official ACT/SAT scores; citizenship and residency documentation; and financial documents. *Deadline to Apply is November 30th, 2017 By 4:00 PM.*

## Volunteer and Community service Opportunities

**Pinnacle Hospice Care  
2220 S Fraser St. Unit 2  
Aurora, CO 80014  
303-344-0051 Office  
303-597-2879 Fax**

### *Benefits to volunteering in Hospice:*

- ✓ **Learning about the specialization of Hospice**
- ✓ **Gain volunteer hours**
- ✓ **Looks great on a resume**
- ✓ **Giving back to the community**
- ✓ **A chance to make a difference in someone's life**
- ✓ **Very rewarding & fulfilling personally**
- ✓ **Experiencing multiculturalism**
- ✓ **Team building atmosphere**

### *Requirements:*

- ✓ **A caring heart**
- ✓ **A desire to assist in bringing comfort to another individual**
- ✓ **Complete the application process/ provide all necessary documentation**
- ✓ **Pass a background check**
- ✓ **Attend a minimum of 8 hours of competency training including an online training program**
- ✓ **Honesty, reliability, flexibility**

*What our volunteers can offer:*

- ✓ **Companionship**
- ✓ **Music therapy, pet therapy or other alternative therapies**
- ✓ **Bereavement assistance**
- ✓ **Running errands**
- ✓ **Patient outings**
- ✓ **Office and Community outreach**
- ✓ **Respite care**
- ✓ **Any approved special talents they possess**

***Please call 303-344-0051 to apply now!!!!!!!!!!***

***Or apply online at [www.Pinnaclehospicecare.com](http://www.Pinnaclehospicecare.com)***