



Quarter 1

Olathe West Senior Bulletin

We will be sending quarterly senior updates through our senior bulletin. These bulletins will include upcoming announcements, deadlines and need to knows. We are excited to kick off the year with the Class of 2024!

CommonApp & Xello

This year we have linked the CommonApp and Xello for transcript upload and letters of recommendation. Students learned how to do this during advisory, 8/22. Need a refresher- [click here](#).

College Credit Opportunities

Johnson County Community College

Students in eligible OW classes can earn college credit through College Now with JCCC. Students in eligible classes attended an enrollment presentation with Ms. Frankel on 8/21 during their eligible class(es).

Please visit the [JCCC College Now page](#) for more information and to view the [enrollment guide](#).

The College Now Enrollment deadline is September 15.

Please contact Madeline Frankel, mrfrankel@olatheschools.org, with questions.

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Transcript Requests

If you are applying to college directly through the colleges website, you will request transcripts through Xello. Instructions can be found [here](#). Transcripts for JCCC placement should also be sent through Xello.

Advanced Placement

Students taking Advanced Placement (AP) classes are can take AP tests at the end of the year for the opportunity to earn college credit for their scores. Student will sign up for testing through the AP Classroom in their eligible classes.

For more information about AP testing please visit the [College Board website](#).

The AP testing registration deadline is November 6.

Please contact Brian Frick, bdfrick@olatheschools.org, with questions.

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Kansas Promise

Is your student interested in a career in a high wage, high demand, critical need career? The Kansas Promise Scholarship will pay for community college or technical school training for students wanting to pursue careers in eligible fields.

[Click here for more information and to view eligible program.](#)

Quarter 1 Dates to Know

Aug. 21: Fall JCCC College Now Enrollment Opens

Sept. 9: ACT Test

Sept. 11: Signs of Suicide (SOS) Day

Sept. 11 - 15: Suicide Prevention Week

Sept. 11: KC Metro College Fair @ ON

Sept. 13: Deadline to sign up for Accuplacer testing if needed for College Now Courses

Sept. 15: College Now Enrollment Deadline

Sept. 22: Registration deadline for 10/28 ACT

Sept. 27: NCAA Information Night @ OW

Oct. 6: JCCC Quick Step Plus College Algebra Enrollment Deadline

Oct. 12: End of Quarter 1 (25% of the way through senior year!)



KANSAS PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP

Check your Kansas Promise eligibility [here](#).

Looking for scholarships?

The OPS counseling department keeps the Xello scholarship portal updated to make the search process easier and more efficient.

How to find scholarships:

1. From their Xello dashboard, under **Plans**, students click **College Planning**
2. Under **Local Scholarships**, students click **Search for Local Scholarships**.
3. If students interested in applying or tracking the scholarship, they click **Add**

Students can later access their list of saved scholarships. From **College planning**, they click **View my scholarships**.

Olathe West College Advising

We are very fortunate to have a college adviser serving at Olathe West through the Kansas State College Advising Corps. Rachel Rafferty will be continuing with Olathe West this year to help the Class of 2024 with their post-secondary planning.



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Please reach out to Rachel with questions related to college exploration, applications, scholarships, financial aid and more! Rachel will be meeting individually with all seniors to make sure nobody leaves the owl's nest without a plan for what's next!