Reeths-Puffer High School Senior Class Bulletin October 2015

If you would like to visit a college, vocational, or trade school, arrangements can be made through the counseling office. ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE AT LEAST ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE. For attendance purposes, you are allowed two college visits per school year. Any other visits will be on your own time.

Pay close attention to announcements and watch the overhead screens in the cafeteria for dates and times for visiting colleges and military recruiters. You must sign up with Miss Little in the counseling office, at least 1 day prior to their visit.

Seniors should be applying to colleges. If Muskegon Community College <u>may</u> be your eventual choice next fall, you should apply now. All or most colleges now require applications on line. Also sign up on <u>Parchment.com</u>. This is the electronic transcript site that the high school is using. You can request your transcripts be sent to the colleges you are applying to on this site. If you are applying to an out of state colleges it will cost \$3.00. You may also stop in the counseling office and verbally make a request.

Rocket Seniors.....when you get your acceptance letter from a college, trade school or military, bring it to your counselor and get your "Launched" Rocket t-shirt!

If you think your high school credits may be in question <u>please</u> check with your counselor before it is too late and you end up short of credits or missing a credit and are unable to graduate.

ACT and SAT Testing information is also available in the counseling office. Most colleges accept the ACT test for college admission, however some out of state colleges do require you to take the SAT test. Apply on line at www.sat.org/register for the SAT Test. Reeths-Puffer High School is a testing sight again this year for the ACT Test.

There are websites with ACT/SAT practice tests and helpful information. Visit www.sat.org/practice.

For information on Technical and Vocational schools or Apprenticeship programs, please see your counselor.

Financial Aid

Don't Be Fooled......Beware of organizations that say they will search for scholarships for a fee. The same scholarship information is available to all students FREE.

All students seeking financial aid should also check the Financial Aid section of the various college web sites. Each college has a complete list of their <u>own</u> scholarship and financial aid programs.

Colleges around the country, including Michigan, have special incentive scholarships as part of their recruiting programs. Usually a student's special talents, minority group identification, and/or high academic achievement, are some of the criteria considered. If you are interested in this type of "exploration" please see Miss Little or your counselor.

For the most complete and updated scholarship availability, the internet is your best source. Below are a few sites to visit.

www.fastweb.com www.studentcollegescholarships.com www.michiganscholarships.us www.finaid.org

Scholarships

The AXA Achievement Community Scholarship is for students who have ambition, self respect and determination to set and reach goals. Applications are available on-line @ www.axa-achievement.com. Deadline is December 15.

RARE Everyday Heroes High School Scholarship Competition. You have a chance to win \$2,500 by writing an essay about someone you consider to be an Everyday Hero. For details, official rules and the online entry form please visit www.RAREfoundation.org. Entries must be postmarked by December 1.

Horatio Alger Scholarship Program is available to assist students who have demonstrated integrity, perseverance, have financial need, and a good academic record. Submit application on-line @ www.horatioalger.org/scholarships Deadline is October 25.

The GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship honors the character and legacy of our 40th President, Ronald Reagan. Students must demonstrate leadership, integrity and citizenship. Apply online through www.reaganfoundation.org/scholarships. Deadline to apply is January 7.

Scholarship Competition....tell your story about your Everyday Hero. For details, rules and the online entry form visit www.RAREfoundation.org. Deadline is December 1.

Burger King is offering a scholarship to students with a GPA of 2.5 or higher, who work part time, demonstrate participation in community service and/or extra curricular activities, and have a financial need. Apply on-line www.scholarshipamerica.org/burgerkingsscholars Application deadline is December 15.

The Society of Automotive Engineers is offering University Sponsored Scholarships and SAE Foundation Scholarships to students pursuing a degree in engineering or a related science. There are GPA and ACT requirements. All the information and applications can be downloaded at http://students.sae.org/awdscholar/scholarships/. Deadline is January 15.