

Junior/Senior  
Parents  
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# Twitter

- [Lerickson@gilmerhscounsel](https://twitter.com/Lerickson@gilmerhscounsel)
  - Follow for important dates
  - FASFA Information
  - Scholarship Information
  - Application Deadlines
  - Career Information

# Check out our website

- <http://www.gilmerisd.org/Counselor.asp>
- Access to College Search Engines
- ACT/SAT Test Dates
- College Applications
- Scholarships
- FASFA
- Life after High School

# Texas OnCourse

- <https://texasoncourse.org/>

The screenshot displays the Texas OnCourse website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Texas OnCourse logo and menu items: ABOUT, WHAT'S NEW, TOOLS, STUDENTS & FAMILIES, and EDUCATORS. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with buttons for Middle School, Early High School, and Late High School. A search bar is located on the right side of the page. The main content area features two primary sections:

- Launch My Career:** This section is titled "JOBS AND CAREERS | FINANCES" and includes the text: "Explore handy charts to compare your choice of school, career, and income to others. Research your college and career options." It features a "Learn more >" link and a "Visit website >" link. Below the text is a graphic with a rocket ship and the text "Not Sure Where To Start?".
- Texas Genuine:** This section is titled "JOBS AND CAREERS | COLLEGE PLANNING" and includes the text: "Texas Genuine enables students to explore future careers and take an assessment to understand their skills and interests. Students can use that information to explore college programs." It features a "Watch Now >" button and a "Take the Assessment >" button.

On the right side of the page, there is a sidebar titled "LAUNCH MY CAREER TEXAS" with a search bar and several "Top Picks For Texas" sections, including "Hot Jobs", "Top Majors", and "Texas's Schools".

# Testing

Military requires ASVAB

4 year colleges require SAT/  
ACT

Community and Junior  
Colleges require TSI or  
exemption based on EOC  
scores

- We will pay for one attempt after that each additional attempt is \$5.

# Check Application Deadlines

- <http://www.collegesimply.com/guides/application-deadlines/>
- December 1 is a common deadline.
- Acceptance date for most schools is May 1<sup>st</sup>.



# GPA and Rank

- Senior Class Meeting
- Students will receive an unofficial transcript as of the end of their Junior year, that will include GPA and rank.
- Juniors
  - Students received their rank and GPA on Thursday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> as of the end of their Sophomore year



# Dual Credit and AP Course Work



Check your student's college  
and major of choice...



Why?

Does it count toward major?  
Will it transfer? If yes, for what?

# Scholarships

- Be sure to check YES for scholarships on Apply Texas and Common App.
- Check your college of choice
- Check our website
- Check in our office
- Check with your churches, clubs, and/or organizations

# Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA)

01

FASFA will now open on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

02

You will be allowed to use the previous year's tax documents for financial aid... (Taxes from 2017)

03

You no longer have to wait until the spring.

04

Texas A&M and University of Texas have a deadline of March 15<sup>th</sup>.

# Military Options

Check with our local  
recruiters

See Major Owens

ASVAB is coming up on  
September 19<sup>th</sup>, sign ups  
are going on now.

- Available to 10<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> graders
- Not just for military interested students

Come see the counselors

# Working after High School

- <http://www.twc.state.tx.us/jobseekers/job-search>
- <http://longviewworks.com/>
- Sign up for the ASVAB (excellent tool for career exploration)

# Important Dates

