



## 2020-2021 RESOURCE CENTER INFORMATION SESSIONS\*

LEAF Resource Center Information Sessions are free, but reservations are required.

All sessions take place virtually on Google Meet. Reserve your seat at [leaf-ohio.org/resource-center-sessions/](https://leaf-ohio.org/resource-center-sessions/) or call the LEAF office at 440.525.7095.

### **Seniors: *Ace your Admissions Application***

**Wednesday, September 16, 2020, 6:30 p.m.**

A panel of college admissions representatives will provide the do's and don'ts for the college application process. Topics will include the Common Application process, essay requirements, recommendation letters, admissions timelines, scholarships, and more.

### **Juniors: *Let the College Research Begin***

**Wednesday, October 14, 2020, 6:30 p.m.**

Learn how to investigate colleges using internet tools. Discover online sites to assist in the college search process based on location, size, major, and more.

### **Seniors: *Scholarships 101***

**Wednesday, November 4, 2020, 6:30 p.m.**

How do I find money for college? Learn about how to research scholarships at universities, national databases, and at local level. Get helpful hints on scholarship application processes.

### **Juniors: *Navigating Free Tools for SAT/ACT Test Prep***

**Wednesday, December 2, 2020, 6:30 p.m.**

Discover free online preparation tools for both ACT and SAT tests. Learn about common testing timelines and about methods to build vocabulary. Acquire test stress tips and websites for free online practice tests with instant feedback.

### **Juniors: *Get a Jump-start on College Planning***

**Wednesday, January 20, 2021, 6:30 p.m.**

Juniors, it's time to plan for the road ahead! Hear about the college application process, timeline, how and when to apply for admissions and financial aid. Learn what questions to ask and who to talk to when visiting a college campus in person or virtually. Strategize how to make the most of virtual visits and online information sessions. Learn how to take a few steps each month between now and next year.

### **Freshmen/Sophomores: *Prepare for the College Process***

**Wednesday, February 17, 2021, 6:30 p.m.**

Underclassmen, it's great to be proactive about the college search! Learn what high school freshmen and sophomores do to prepare for college. Get tips on how to make the most of your high school experiences and begin the process of finding a good fit for your future.

### **Seniors: *Making Sense of College Financial Aid Offer Letters***

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021, 6:30 p.m.**

I got in, but how much will it cost me? Which college is a better deal? What loans should I take? The admissions process may be over, but the decision may or may not be final due to finances. How do you compare college costs once you've been admitted? An expert will walk you through the terminology so that you can see your bottom line of a 4-year college cost.

### **Seniors: *Making Sense of College Loan Options***

**Wednesday, March 10, 2021, 6:30 p.m.**

Subsidized vs. unsubsidized loans? Parent PLUS vs. private loan? I got in, I'm excited, but now how do I pay? Once you receive your college financial aid offer letter, you know the bottom line cost. Often, there is a gap between the aid and the bill - loans can be used to fill that gap. Learn more about available loan options and their impact on your future.

### **Juniors/Seniors: *Skilled Trades - Alternative to a 4-year College***

**Wednesday, April 14, 2021, 6:30 p.m.**

If college isn't for you, and you love working with your hands, learn about career opportunities in the skilled trades, apprenticeships, and other vocational postsecondary options that will get your future started.

### **Juniors/Seniors: *Military Enrollment - Alternative to a 4-year College***

**Wednesday, April 28, 2021, 6:30 p.m.**

If college isn't for you, learn about career and educational opportunities in the United States military branches that will get your future started.

### **Juniors/Seniors: *Manufacturing - Alternative to a 4-year College***

**Wednesday, May 12, 2021, 6:30 p.m.**

Did you know many local manufacturers will pay for tuition reimbursement and training? Get your future started in the new high-tech world of manufacturing. A virtual tour of a manufacturing facility with Alliance for Working Together (AWT).

\*Schedule subject to change. Check [leaf-ohio.org](https://leaf-ohio.org) for updates and registration.