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COLLEGE AND CAREER NEWSLETTER

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COLLEGE INFORMATION

QuestBridge's College Scholar program is a partnership between 40 top universities across the country to recognize and honor top performing juniors to develop a strong college application that shares students' unique stories. The College Prep Scholars Program equips high-achieving high school juniors from low-income backgrounds with the knowledge, confidence, and resources to apply to top colleges. Awards may include scholarships to summer programs, laptops to help with applications, and campus visits to partner colleges. Qualified juniors include:

- Those with a 3.75 GPA while taking rigorous courses
- PSAT scores of 1220 or higher
- Family income of \$65,000 or less (family of 4)

If you are interested, please visit the [Questbridge website](#).

CAREER SPOTLIGHT: SURGICAL TECHNICIAN

Description: Assist surgeons in the operating room and by preparing patients, rooms, and equipment for surgeries

Median Salary: \$21.63 hourly (\$43,260 annually)

Job Outlook: 15% - Higher than Average

Requirements: Certificate or Associates Degree

Local Programs: [Ivy Tech Community College](#)

PAYING FOR COLLEGE

4 Things To Do After Filing Your FAFSA

- **Review Your FAFSA Confirmation Page.** This is not your financial aid offer. You'll get that separately from the schools you are accepted to.
- **Review Your Expected Family Contribution (EFC).** Cost of attendance minus your EFC is your financial "need".
- **Be on the Lookout for Your Aid Offer.** Each school has a schedule for awarding and paying out financial aid. Contact the school's financial aid office, not the "FAFSA people" for details about when they send out aid offers.
- **Make FAFSA Corrections if You Need To.** Note that parents cannot initiate a FAFSA correction. Students begin the process and can create a Save Key they can share with their parent.

UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

- * **3/3:** SAT School Day @ NWHS
- * **3/7:** College Goal Sunday—Free FAFSA help
- * **3/8:** Registration begins for ACT School Day @ NWHS
- * **3/13:** SAT @ area schools—Concord & Warsaw
- * **4/1:** End of 6 Weeks
- * **4/8:** Registration deadline for 5/8 SAT @ NWHS
- * **4/27:** ACT School Day @ NWHS
- * **5/8:** SAT @ NWHS
- * **5/24-5/25:** Final Exams @ NWHS



Dordt University has a school of Agriculture with many majors available, including Ag Business, Ag Supplies Retailing & Wholesaling, Ag Operations, Animal Sciences & Plant Sciences



Location : Sioux Center, IA
(9:45 Drive)

Enrollment: 1,450 Undergraduates

Type: Private, Christian, Liberal Arts

Average Net Price: \$20,771

Percent Receiving Grant Aid: 100%

Graduation Rate: 73%



Feeling overwhelmed by the Financial Aid Award Letters? Use the "Compare Your Aid Awards" tool on the College Board website to help you figure out the final cost of your child attending the college of their choice. You can find the site [here](#).

Graduates boast a 99.7% employment rate within 6 months of graduation



"It's just a very welcoming community, especially if you come from a small town, and even if you don't. It's a nice area, nice community, awesome people, good education. I like that it's small. That could just be me, but I like that it's a small school and very Christ-centered." - student at Dordt College

Testing Information

CEEB: 152495

ACT Test Center Code: 210390

SAT Test Center Code: 15605

APPLICATION DEADLINE: ROLLING; FINANCIAL AID PRIORITY DEADLINE: APRIL 1