

# COMPASS NEWS

**Friday, February 28, 2025**

## Lovejoy's Letter

Dear Students and Parents,

As we approach the end of the 3rd quarter, I want to commend everyone for their hard work and dedication. Here are a few important updates:



**SAT Testing** – Scheduled for next Wednesday. Please make sure your chromebooks are charged. Best of luck to all students taking the test!



**E-Learning Day** – Students (9th, 10, 12,) will have an E-Learning day next week March 5, 2025. Please ensure assignments are completed on time.



**Senior Success** – Grades are looking strong and a large number of our Seniors are preparing for Graduation. Keep up the great work!



**Spring Break** – We'll be on break from March 17th until **March 31st**. Enjoy your time off and return refreshed!

Thank you for your continued effort and support. Let's finish this quarter strong!

Best,  
**Mr. Lovejoy**

## DATES TO KNOW...

Wednesday, March 5—SAT testing for Juniors

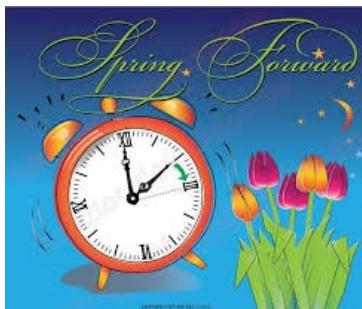
Thursday, March 6—IU at Indianapolis visit

Sunday, March 9—Daylight Saving Time begins, spring clocks forward 1 hour

Friday, March 14—End of CEC 3rd Quarter

March 15-30—Spring Break

March 27—Community Care Event with the Southport Chick-fil-A



## Martzall's Minute

SAT Testing will be on March 5th . All juniors will be participating. All other grades will have eLearning on this day. More information to come. Enjoy the long weekend!

### Craig's Comment

Based on student feedback, we are looking forward to sharing a newsletter about mental health resources and strategies. Please let me know if there is a particular topic you'd like to have more information on, and we will include it in an upcoming issue.

We will also be hosting another non-perishable pantry shopping opportunity the week of March 10-March 14. Families will be able to come in and shop our non-perishable food supplies as well as hygiene supplies. This opportunity will be available each day during school hours.



### Upcoming dates to know, from Mrs. Springer

March 6 - IU at Indianapolis tour

March 13 - FAFSA

April 3 - FAFSA

April 8 - 21st Century Scholars

April 24 - Vincennes Aviation Technology Center tour

## Springer's Stake

### IUI Field Trip :

24 Seniors and Juniors will be attending the downtown Indiana University Indianapolis tour from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30a.m on Thursday, March 6th. This is a chance for your student to explore the thriving campus as well as discover the many different degrees that IUI has to offer. If your student has C9 in the afternoon, they will be excused from attending C9 this day. If your student is one of the individuals attending the tour, please encourage your student to look online and talk to you about some of the degrees and programs they are interested in exploring before this date. If they have a specific academic path in mind, we can cater the tour to cover these interests!

All available slots have been filled and we look forward to this exciting tour!

### FAFSA Application Day:

Our next FAFSA enrollment date is March 13th at 8:00 am and 12:00 pm. Parents are welcome to join their seniors during this application day.

There are many students who have incomplete applications. Please ask your student to login into StudentAid.gov and, if needed, complete and submit the needed information.

Things that you can do before this date are:

Log in to your StudentAid.gov account (FSA ID)

Create a student login

Determine dependency status. Note: Most students will be considered dependent students.

Students who are considered "dependent students" will be required to include their parent's (they're called "contributors" on the FAFSA) financial information on the FAFSA. See who is considered a contributor.

Parents will also need to create a StudentAid.gov account username and password.

Then, log in at StudentAid.gov to make sure you're all set.

We require all seniors to file the FAFSA so that all doors are open no matter what the student decides to pursue in the 2025-2026 school year.

# Graduation Information

Hello!

It's that time of year to order your graduation cap and gown and tassel. This is a package and this the minimum you need to get in order to participate in graduation. please look at the information based on your homeschool.

## Southport High School:

Families are also able to order online at [Jostens.com](https://www.jostens.com) . There are a lot of items available to purchase, but the **ONLY thing you MUST order** if you plan to participate in the graduation ceremony is the cap, gown and tassel. This is called the "Cap & Gown Unit" which costs \$39. All students need to wear the Jostens red cap and gown with the 2025 tassel in order to participate in the SHS graduation ceremony on Friday, May 30th. All other items from Jostens are optional for you to order.

If you have any questions about ordering or payment, please reach out to our Jostens representative, Mr. Brad Long, at 317-501-8853 or [brad.long@jostens.com](mailto:brad.long@jostens.com) . Mr. Long even shared this brief video to remind you about ordering.

[https://view.vidreach.io/viewer/reach/ea528bb5-6689-4dc2-8dd0-afcd43ca5f49/ea6b0b6f-cd73-4a18-a9a5-52d3d072b940/5a2423de-9298-42a5-bb82-13df0d95a08c?pk\\_campaign=ea6b0b6f-cd73-4a18-a9a5-52d3d072b940](https://view.vidreach.io/viewer/reach/ea528bb5-6689-4dc2-8dd0-afcd43ca5f49/ea6b0b6f-cd73-4a18-a9a5-52d3d072b940/5a2423de-9298-42a5-bb82-13df0d95a08c?pk_campaign=ea6b0b6f-cd73-4a18-a9a5-52d3d072b940)

## Perry Meridian High School:

The gown is a rental and will be returned immediately after commencement, but the cap/tassel you keep forever.

You may order directly from the website at: [PERRY MERIDIAN HIGH SCH | Herff Jones](https://www.perrymeridianhighsch.org/herffjones)

Remember, the only items you must purchase for graduation are the cap/gown/tassel.

The total cost with tax is \$49.22 (the website will say \$46 because that is before taxes are added) . You will have an opportunity to order a variety of different packages/graduation items. If you only want to order the required items, click on "Graduation" then "Grad Gear and Apparel" (top right) and scroll to the picture below which says,

If you have any questions about your graduation order, please contact our Herff Jones representative:

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317-532-7795

