

# Junior Parent Meeting

## September 21, 2016

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### Junior Year Testing Timeline

#### **PSAT/NMSQT      October 19, 2016**

- Mandatory for all juniors
- Qualifying test for National Merit Scholarship Program
- Practice SAT
- Multiple-choice test that measures critical reading skills, math problem-solving skills, and writing skills
- Personalized feedback given on test performance
- Extended time or other accommodations must be approved by the College Board.
- Registration not required
- Cost included in student fee bill
- PSAT score CANNOT be used for college admission.

#### **PRACTICE ACT      January 21, 2017**

- Actual retired ACT test
- Consists of four multiple-choice tests in English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science that measure skills emphasized in junior English, math, and science courses
- Personalized feedback given on test performance
- Score reports sent home with test books from New Trier Test Center
- Online registration on RevTrak; \$20 cost
- Practice ACT score CANNOT be used for college admission.

#### **SAT REASONING & SAT SUBJECT TESTS      June 3, 2017**

- Usually taken in spring of junior year
- SAT Reasoning Test measures critical reading, math problem-solving skills, and writing skills.
- SAT Subject Tests are one-hour tests in a specific subject area that are required by some colleges.
- Students with a 504 Plan or IEP MUST contact Peg Stevens, Testing Coordinator, six weeks before desired test date to apply for extended time and/or other accommodations.
- Extended time or other accommodations must be approved by the College Board.
- Online registration for SAT and SAT Subject Tests at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)
- SAT and SAT Subject Test scores CAN be used for college admission.

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**ACT            February 11, April 8, and June 10, 2017**

- Usually taken in spring of junior year
- Consists of four multiple-choice tests in English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science that measure skills emphasized in junior English, math, and science courses
- Optional ACT Plus Writing includes a 40-minute essay that some colleges may require
- Students with a 504 Plan or IEP MUST contact Peg Stevens, Test Coordinator, for registration instructions.
- Extended time or other accommodations must be approved by ACT.
- Online registration for ACT tests with standard time at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
- ACT scores CAN be used for college admission.

**STATE SAT            April 5, 2017**

- Mandatory for all juniors; state graduation requirement
- Multiple-choice test that measures critical reading, math problem-solving skills, and writing skills
- Extended time or other accommodations must be approved by the College Board.
- No registration or fee required
- SAT score CAN be used for college admission.

**DISTRICT ACT TEST            April 19, 2017**

- Mandatory for all juniors
- Consists of four multiple-choice tests in English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science that measure skills emphasized in junior English, math, and science courses
- Includes writing section that some colleges may require
- Extended time and other accommodations must be approved by ACT.
- No registration or fee required
- ACT score CAN be used for college admission.

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTS            May 1-5 & May 8-12, 2017**

- Usually taken by students in AP courses, but any student may take an AP test.
- Approximately 30 AP tests offered
- Students with a 504 Plan or IEP MUST contact Peg Stevens, Testing Coordinator, to apply for extended time and/or other accommodations. All applications for accommodations must be submitted by February 24.
- Extended time and other accommodations must be approved by the College Board.
- Online registration at New Trier begins in January; fee paid at time of registration
- Cost of each AP test in 2017 is \$93.00.
- AP scores CAN be used for placement or credit at some colleges.