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PRINCIPAL

March 2020

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

SAT SUITE OF ASSESSMENTS – SAT, PSAT 10, PSAT 8/9

Beginning with the 2016-17 school year, the Illinois State Board of Education replaced the ACT with the SAT as the assessment of college readiness that will be used in the State of Illinois. Additionally, the Board of Education approved the adoption of the SAT Suite of Assessments, which includes the PSAT 8/9 and PSAT 10. Consistent with past use of similar ACT assessments, the SAT Suite of Assessments can provide data throughout each student's high school experience about students' academic achievement and growth, college readiness status, effectiveness of the District's curriculum and instruction.

Current juniors are scheduled to take the SAT plus Writing on Tuesday, April 14. Current sophomores will take the PSAT 10 on Wednesday, April 15. Lastly, current freshmen will take the PSAT 8/9 on Wednesday, April 15.

If you would like additional information on the SAT Suite or your student's anticipated assessment, please contact your student's counselor at 847-755-4630.

ILLINOIS SCIENCE ASSESSMENT

In compliance with federal testing requirements, the state of Illinois will administer the Illinois Science Assessment to students enrolled in Grade 11. The assessment will be administered in April in an online format and is aligned to the Illinois Learning Standards for Science incorporating the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), which were adopted in 2014.

Sincerely,

Timothy J. Little, Principal



OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

On Thursday, April 2 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. the SHS Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is organizing a job fair for all Schaumburg High School students. Over 20 local businesses are looking for Schaumburg High School students for part-time and summer work employment. Committed businesses include Bike Connection, AMC Woodfield, Corrigan Moving, Culvers, Home Depot, Jewel Foods, Kohl's, Northwest Special Recreation Association, Schaumburg Library, to name a few.

For additional information, please contact:

- **Dan Alberth**, PAC Opportunity Knocks Co-Chair at dan.albert@athenaprivatewealth.com,
- **Tim Little**, Schaumburg High School, Principal at tlittle@d211.org.

2020 CENSUS-EVERYONE COUNTS!

Census Day is April 1, 2020. By this date, every home will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. Once the invitation arrives, respond for your home in one of three ways: online (portal opens on March 27), by phone, or by mail. When responding to the Census, tell the Census Bureau where you live as of April 1, 2020. Learn more about the 2020 Census and why it's important to participate at: <https://2020census.gov>. **Everyone Counts!**

PROM 2020

Prom will take place on Saturday, May 2nd at the Westin Chicago Northwest Hotel in Itasca from 6:00 – 11:00 p.m. This year's theme is "A Red Carpet Affair." Post prom will be hosted by the VIP Parent Boosters and students will have the option to purchase tickets to Medieval Times immediately following the dance. You must attend prom in order to attend post prom.

The juniors and seniors will be receiving a prom packet during their PE class before spring break. If they do not have a PE class, they can pick up a copy of the prom packet in the attendance office. **Prom and post prom tickets will be sold online only and will require the use of a debit or credit card to purchase.** Tickets will be sold from April 1st - April 8th .

Prom tickets are \$80 per person and post prom tickets are \$55 per person. The prom packet has detailed instructions on how to purchase both prom and post prom tickets. The SHS webpage also has a digital copy of the prom packet.

If a student will be bringing a guest that does not attend SHS, a guest form will need to be turned in to Mrs. Napier's office before they are able to purchase a ticket to prom or post prom. Guest forms will be provided in their prom packets and available online.

Thank you for your help in making Prom 2020 a safe and memorable evening for all students.

SUMMER SCHOOL '20

Summer school brochures will be mailed to families in early March. Please refer to the summer school brochure for specific registration dates for both, summer school courses and Athletic and Activity Camps. Registration and payment can be done through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. Below are the summer school dates:

- 1st Semester: June 2 – June 23
- 2nd Semester: June 24 – July 15

Fees are listed in the summer school catalog and must be paid in full at time of registration. If paying by check, please make check payable to "Township High School District 211."



If you require assistance while visiting our school, please contact the principal's office at (847) 755-4600.

For individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, please access the following TTD/TTY telephone number: (847) 755-4654.

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dates to remember

April 16-18	Musical Auditorium – 7:00 p.m
April 21	Student Late Start 8:50 a.m.
May 2	Prom Westin – 6:00 p.m.
May 15	Early Dismissal 11:50 a.m
May 20	Graduation Sears Centre – 7:30 p.m
May 20-22	Finals
May 25	Memorial Day (No School)

2019-2020 WINTER ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Students who received M.S.L. All Academic Senior Athletic Awards at the Winter Sports Awards Night. These athletic and activity participants have maintained a minimum 3.0 G.P.A. for the past three years:

3.0 MSL Academic award recipients:

Jackson Bahn, Veronica Campbell, Jacqueline Drs, Rebecca Herman, Mary Hilgart, Autumn Kalady, Arnav Karnik, Namleen Kohli, Nicole Kolodziej, Jades Luu, Alyssa Martinez, Jennifer Marzillo, Jessica Niemiec, Hunter O'Hara, Madisen Parla, Kevin Parucho Melo, Luke Phelps, Aaron Roskin, Michael Sanchez, Jared Schoo, Kathryn Smith, Lance Stachowiak, Talia Torosian, Catherine Trinka, Adam Wolf, Eric Wong

In addition, the following students also received I.H.S.A. Achievement Awards at the Winter Sports Awards Night. These juniors and seniors have maintained a minimum 3.5 G.P.A.:

3.5 IHSA Academic award recipients:

Maryam Al Share, Hiroshi Avila, Veronica Campbell, Jacqueline Drs, Emma Heiser, Mary Hilgart, Sarah Husain, Autumn Kalady, Arnav Karnik, Namleen Kohli, Ian Much, Jessica Niemiec, Madisen Parla, Kevin Parucho Melo, Emma Raupp, Daniella Reyna, Donna-Rose Reyna, Grant Saam, Jared Schoo, Kathryn Smith, Julie Tang, Armen Torosian, Andrea Janelle Torres

CONGRATULATIONS TO . . .

Participants in the Illinois Music Educators Association All-State Musicians include:

Rhys Barlow – sophomore – horn

BJ Czech – senior – bass trombone

Ian Fusick – junior – double bass

Matthew Nowlan – senior – violin

(3rd time at All-State)

ST. BALDRICK'S



On March 13th SHS will have its sixth St. Baldrick's Event for students and staff to participate in. We started this tradition in 2010 when one of our students was diagnosed with cancer. This year we are aware of three students who have younger siblings in treatment for pediatric cancer.

St. Baldrick's has become one of the most energizing school service events we do. St. Baldrick's is an organization that raises money to fund research specifically for pediatric cancer. Participants get donations for either shaving their head or donating their long locks to an organization that makes wigs for children with hair loss.

The SHS community has been generous with their donations to individual students, our event as a whole, and by partaking in some of our community Dine to Donate events. If you would like more information about St. Baldrick's check out our event site: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/events/SHS2020> or go to our school website where you will see a St Baldrick's link.

Another way you can support our St. Baldrick's fundraising efforts is by attending our remaining "Dine to Donate" events! We still have events on Monday, February 24th from 4-8PM at Raising Cane's (Higgins and National Parkway-- mention the fundraiser when you order); Thursday, March 5th from 11AM-11PM at Moretti's (Hoffman Estates and Schaumburg locations-- mention the fundraiser when you order); Tuesday, March 10th from 11AM-1AM at Village Tavern (you MUST bring the flyer on the SHS website); and Thursday, March 12th from 12-9:30PM at Menchie's Frozen Yogurt (Schaumburg Town Square--mention fundraiser to cashier). Please see the SHS homepage for the flyer required for Village Tavern and additional information on all of our fundraising efforts!

Help support an end to pediatric cancer by donating to a high school student who is willing to give their hair so someone who has lost theirs can be cured!

SENIOR 2ND SEMESTER FINAL EXAM EXEMPTION

District 211 will again allow graduating seniors to exempt from their second semester final exams if they meet the following criteria:

- have at least a "C" average in the course
- have less than six absences from the class
- have no trancies from the class
- have not been suspended from the class
- are not incomplete on required assignments

Seniors not qualifying for the exemption will be allowed to participate in graduation ceremonies but will not receive a diploma on that day. Senior finals will be administered on May 20, 21 and 22. Diplomas will be given following the processing of final grades.

SIX SIGNS OF A SCHOLARSHIP SCAM

1. "The scholarship is guaranteed or your money back."

No one can guarantee that they'll get you a grant or scholarship. Refund guarantees often have conditions or strings attached. Get refund policies in writing – before you pay.

2. "You can't get this information anywhere else."

There are many free lists of scholarships. Check with your school or library before you decide to pay someone to do the work for you. There are many free scholarship searches on the Internet.

3. "We'll do all the work for you."

Don't be fooled. You must apply for the scholarships and grants yourself.

4. "May I have your credit card or bank account number to hold this scholarship?"

Don't give out your credit card or bank account number on the phone without getting information in writing first. It may be a set up for an unauthorized withdrawal.

5. "The scholarship will cost some money."

Don't pay anyone who charges for a scholarship. Free money shouldn't cost anything.

6. "You've been selected" by a 'national foundation' to receive a scholarship or "You're a finalist" in a contest you never entered.

Before you send money, investigate the company by contacting your counselor or by calling/ emailing the Federal Trade Commission, (1-877-FTC-HELP)/<http://www.ftc.gov>

GUIDEPOST 2020

CAREER ADVISING

It's never too early to research a career. Now is the time to start thinking about where your talents and interests might take you. See Mrs. Sadiku, Career Advisor, in Student Services or contact her at 847-755-4657, or via E-mail: bsadiku@d211.org

College Planning – When to do What.....

JUNIOR YEAR

- Take college admissions test (ACT, SAT). Usually recommend waiting until 2nd semester.
- Meet with your counselor
- Participate in the College Workshop Circuit which is hosted by Mr. Kostalek

- Begin your college search
 - *Visit the Student Services website @ https://sites.google.com/d211.org/shsstudent_services/college-career-resources/college-planning
 - *Talk with your parents
 - *Identify needs and parameters
 - *Visit with college reps that come to high school
 - *Use computer searches – Xello/Big Future by College Board
 - *Attend First Generation College Night and District 211 College Night in the fall
 - *Attend College Planning Night for Junior in February
- Begin college visits
 - *Meet with college Admissions Counselor
 - *Take a tour with a student
 - *Meet with a professor in your academic area
 - *Sit in on a class
 - *Talk with coaches, music directors, or other activity people
- Take rigorous college preparatory classes

SUMMER BEFORE SENIOR YEAR

- Continue college visits
- Ask friends about their first year of college
- Organize and read college literature you have received

SENIOR YEAR

- Continue college prep classes and involvement in College Workshop Circuit
- Retake ACT or SAT if necessary.
- Request recommendations, if needed.
- Narrow college list to 4-6 schools
- Apply to colleges early
 - *Acquire applications
 - *Complete essays
 - *Check Internet for application
 - *Keep copies of completed applications
- Investigate scholarships that may be available at selected colleges.
- Apply for local scholarships that are available on the Student Services Website
- Do a scholarship search on computer
- Complete the FAFSA beginning October 1st.
- Select your college by May 1st
- Send necessary deposit(s) and secure housing
- Notify schools not selected



FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS TEST IN APRIL
Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors Test in April

SAT

The Illinois State Board of Education's required high school level assessment, The College Board Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT), will be administered throughout Illinois on Tuesday, April 14, 2020. This state-funded SAT fulfills the requirement of the Illinois School Code that students take the state's required assessment to be eligible to receive a regular high school diploma, unless eligible to take the alternative assessment or otherwise exempt from testing. The assessment measures student knowledge related to state standards with respect to examination purposes. This state-funded SAT can be used as a college or university entrance exam score.

Students can choose to take an additional SAT on a national test date to improve test scores. This option may be discussed with your child's school counselor to determine the benefits of additional testing and to receive information about national SAT tests the dates and costs. You can find detailed information about the SAT online at <http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat>. Fees charged by College Board for testing on national test dates are the responsibility of the individual students and/or parents. Fee waivers are available for qualifying students through the student services department.

<i>SAT Test Dates</i>	<i>Registration Deadline</i>	<i>Late Registration</i>
May 2, 2020	April 3, 2020	April 14, 2020
June 6, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 19, 2020

PSAT 10

Sophomores will be administered the PSAT 10 on Wednesday, April 15, 2020, to measure their progress in reading, writing, language, and math. You can find additional information about the PSAT 10 online at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>.

PSAT 9

Freshmen will be administered the PSAT 8/9 on Wednesday, April 15, 2020, to measure their progress in reading, writing, language, and math. You can find additional information about the PSAT 8/9 online at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-8-9>.

Performance on these assessments helps District 211 improve curriculum and instruction to ensure that all students are college and career ready upon graduation from high school. The PSAT 9 and PSAT 10 identify areas to strengthen prior to the State-required junior year assessment. Students dismissed following exam. Please mark your calendars. Bus transportation will be available for those who normally use bus service to school and back according to their schedule.

	<i>Freshmen</i>	<i>Sophomores</i>	<i>Juniors</i>	<i>Seniors</i>
Tuesday, April 14, 2020	Do not report to school	Do not report to school.	SAT administration, junior students report to school. Students will be dismissed approximately at 12:30pm/1:15 pm	Do not report to school
Wednesday, April 15, 2020	PSAT 9 administration, freshmen students report to school. Students will be dismissed approximately at 11:15am/12:00pm	PSAT 10 administration, sophomore students report to school. Students will be dismissed approximately at 11:15am/12:00pm	Do not report to school	Do not report to school

March 12, 2020 Illinois Science Assessment (ISA)

Change in school day schedule. The Illinois Science Assessment (ISA), a state required science assessment, will be administered to all juniors on March 12, 2020. In order to accommodate the facility and staff requirements for these tests, freshman, sophomore and senior students will attend a late start schedule on March 12, 2020 (10:00 a.m. – 2:45 pm/10:40 – 3:30pm). Freshman, sophomore and senior students should report to their bus stop at 9:10am/9:55am on March 12. The ISA is aligned to the Illinois Learning Standards for Science incorporating the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). Visit <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Illinois-Science-Assessment.aspx> for more information.

	<i>Freshmen</i>	<i>Sophomores</i>	<i>Juniors</i>	<i>Seniors</i>
March 12 Modified Schedule	Late start (10:00am-2:45pm/10:40-3:30pm) Report to bus stop 9:10am/9:55am.	Late start (10:00 a.m. – 2:45 pm/10:40 – 3:30pm) Report to bus stop 9:10am/9:55am.	Students report to school at normal start times.	Late start (10:00 a.m. – 2:45 pm/10:40 – 3:30pm) Report to bus stop 9:10am/9:55am.