

# Montour High School Counseling Department

## January E-Newsletter

### PSAT RESULTS

The school counselors will meet with Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors in January to review PSAT results. Students will be given valuable information about their PSAT score reports and how to use them for preparing for the SAT. As part of the classroom lesson, students will log on to College Board, and create an account, upload their scores and begin working with KHAN Academy. **KHAN Academy** is an easy-to-use, online, personalized college and career planning kit available free of charge to all students who take the PSAT/NMSQT.

### SAT and ACT TESTING SCHEDULE:

We recommend Juniors take the SAT and ACT for the first time in the spring. Below is the testing schedule for 2019:

#### **SAT Testing Schedule 2018-19 school year**

Test Date	Test	Regular Registration Deadline	Score Release
March 9	SAT only	February 8	March 22
May 4	SAT & Subject Tests	April 5	May 17
June 2	SAT & Subject Tests	May 3	July 11

Register at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

#### **ACT Testing Schedule 2018-19 school year**

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Score Release
February 9	January 4	February 19 - March 5
April 13	March 8	April 23 – June 7
June 8	May 3	June 18 – August 2
July 13	June 14	July 23 – August 26

Register at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

**All SAT and ACT testing dates are offered at Montour.** Students are required to upload a photo at the time of SAT and/or ACT registration and must have an additional photo ID on SAT and /or ACT test day. Photo ID's can be obtained at the Driver's License Centers, or see your counselor for an official SAT and/or ACT ID.

### JUNIORS TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL COLLEGE FAIR

Counselors will distribute information about the upcoming **Pittsburgh National College Fair** during the January classroom lessons. Students will pre-register during class. The college fair is Thursday and Friday, February 7 & 8. We will be taking all interested juniors on **Thursday, February 7**. Watch for permission forms. You can obtain more information about the College Fair and a list of exhibitors at [www.nacacnet.org](http://www.nacacnet.org)

### PLT SESSIONS

- The counseling department offers post-secondary visits during PLT. Check flex time manager and sign up for opportunities that you would like to attend.
- Students who need support with research and writing can visit the Research and Writing Lab Monday - Thursday, during Spartan PLT.

### **END OF FIRST SEMESTER NINE WEEKS & ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE**

The first semester is quickly coming to an end. **Mid-term exams are scheduled for the week of January 14th and second semester begins January 21st.** Students in need of academic help can sign up for peer tutoring during PLT and will be assigned to a peer to assist them in the specific content area. Also, students should sign up for their teacher's PLT for academic support as well.

### **COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS TASKS**

- Each nine weeks students in grades 9-12 will be assigned tasks to assist in post-secondary planning. The counselors will assign the tasks with their students during our scheduled classroom lessons. Below is a list of current tasks per grade level:

#### **Grade 9**

- PSAT/Khan Academy
- Career Interest Profiler
- Career Cluster Finder

#### **Grade 10**

- PSAT/Khan Academy
- Do What you Are
- MI Advantage

#### **Grade 11**

- PSAT/Khan Academy
- National College Fair
- Super Match College Search

#### **Grade 12**

- Colleges I am Applying to
- Transcript Requests
- Letter of Recommendation Requests
- Scholarship Search

**Please contact your child's counselor with any questions/concerns.**

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