

Three Things Juniors Need To Do

1. Take the PSAT October 19, 2016

- This year, the IDOE will pay for all juniors to take the PSAT.
- Students receive tailored score reports and FREE online study plans on www.khanacademy.org for the SAT. This is great practice for the SAT exam.
- Results are used to identify students for the National Merit Scholarship Program.
- Used for admission into high school and college dual credit/ dual enrollment courses.
- Students who need accommodations for testing per an IEP or 504 should see their TOR (Teacher of Record), counselor, and check the College Board website for policies and guidelines. The deadline for students & parents to submit an accommodations request and documentation for the school is noon on August 30. This will allow the school to complete the online application by the College Board of August 30.
- www.collegeboard.com for more information

2. Take the SAT and/or ACT during junior year

- Required testing by colleges for admission
- Both tests are accepted by all colleges.
- Colleges will select the highest score students earn from either test. It is recommended that both tests are taken and each more than once.
- Registration method for each test is online. (SAT = www.collegeboard.com and ACT = www.act.org)
- Check the websites for more specific details about each test.
- Use your MJCPL library card for free official on-line SAT/ACT practice exams at www.learnatest.com/library or www.khanacademy.org.
- Fee waivers are available from your counselor for Twenty-First Century Scholars, AVID, JAG, or students receiving free/reduced textbooks and lunches.
- Students who need accommodations for testing per an IEP or 504 should see their TOR (Teacher of Record) or counselor, and check the SAT/ACT websites for policies and guidelines. Deadlines to request accommodations differ from registration deadlines. Typically, it is a 7-week lead time.

3. Begin College Search

- Explore colleges you are interested in attending
- Meet with college/university representatives during lunch in the cafeteria (in the fall)
- Schedule campus visits with college Admission Offices
- Attend the Regional College Fair on September, 29th from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at Hanover College
- Develop a resume of high school activities, award/achievements, community service, and work experience