

College Counseling Crier

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Upcoming Standardized Test Dates

ACT Test Dates and Deadlines*

April 14, 2018 (registration deadline has passed)

June 9, 2018 (registration deadline: May 4)

July 14, 2018 (registration deadline: June 15)

SAT Test Dates and Deadlines*

May 5, 2018 (registration deadline has passed)

June 2, 2018 (registration deadline: May 3)

*If you will be taking these tests with accommodations, please contact **Mrs. Anzelone**

SAT Subject Test Update

When students and families consider standardized testing they are most often thinking of the SAT and the ACT. Additionally, there are colleges and universities that either require or recommend SAT Subject Tests (sometimes known as SAT IIs). As of today only **three** colleges require SAT Subject Tests for all students; **seven** others require it for certain majors and **twenty** others recommend them.



In a recent blog post titled "Are SAT Subject Tests A Sinking Ship" from *The Princeton Review* raises questions about the use of Subject Tests in the future.

SAT Subject Tests

Wrapping Up with College 101

Our final College 101 sessions are scheduled for later this month. Before Spring Break our students had the opportunity to see the NCAA Division I and II requirements from an academic and standardized testing standpoint *or* pose questions to our current senior class about navigating the college process.

For our fifth and final session, students and counselors will talk about the following:

- The importance of teacher recommendations and how to go about asking for them
- Preparing for the upcoming Washington Area Independent School (WAIS) Fair on Wednesday, April 18
- Understanding the importance of our upcoming Mock Admission Program on **Thursday**, April 26

As a reminder, it is our **goal** for each and every junior to take at least one ACT and/or SAT by the end of their junior year. If they have not already created accounts for the ACT (www.actstudent.org) and SAT (www.collegeboard.org) we implore them to do so as soon as possible.

Save the Dates

Washington Area Independent School (WAIS) Fair @ Georgetown Prep for Juniors and Families

Wednesday, April 18, 2018 6:30 p.m. – 9 :00 p.m.

Mock Admission Program for Juniors and Families

Thursday, April 26, 2018 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. When registering, please use the student's legal name and Bullis email address. If these accounts have already been made (even if a different email address was used) **do not** create another account. Additionally, we encourage students to use the spreadsheet in Haiku or one of their own to save usernames and passwords for these accounts.

For any student who tests with accommodations, please check with Mrs. Anzelone before registering for standardized tests.



Upcoming College Fair

On **Wednesday**, **April 18** juniors and their families will have the opportunity to meet and interact with over 150 colleges and universities throughout the United States and around the world. In College 101 we will talk more in depth about the types of questions students should be asking; how to make a positive first impression; and what kind of information to provide to the representatives at the fair. More information will be sent specifically to junior families later this month.

Celebrations Continue!

To date, our seniors have **517 acceptances** to colleges and universities all over the country and internationally. At this point, the vast majority of admission decisions have been released, with the possibility of some shifting if a student has been placed on a Wait List.

With the National Candidates Reply Date, May 1, quickly approaching, we are excited to help our seniors with their final choice. Each must submit **one and only one** deposit to their school of choice on or before May 1, 2018.

As a reminder to our seniors, please let us know of <u>all</u> admission decisions and scholarship awards.

We want to celebrate with you and provide good advice and counsel.