

School Counseling Department News

March 13, 2017

Grade 10 PSAT

The PSAT 10 will be administered to students in Grade 10 who registered for the exam on Thursday, March 23. The PSAT is administered during the school day starting at 7:30 a.m. In order for students to better prepare for this exam, counselors sent an informational sheet describing rules and expectations the students will need to adhere to during the test, as well as what students can expect from the test itself. Click [here](#) to view the document.

Junior Planning Parent Presentation

The Junior Planning Parent Presentation was held Wednesday, March 1 at 6:00 p.m. School counselors shared information related to the college exploration and planning process, including student and parent responsibilities, the SAT and ACT, college search tools and resources, college selection criteria, letters of recommendation, the Common Application, and more. Junior Planning Parent Presentation packets were handed out which included a copy of the presentation, testing information, as well as forms necessary for teacher letters of recommendations. Students should stop by the School Counseling Office to pick up a packet if you were unable to attend the presentation. The information is also available on our webpage.

Junior Future Planning Meeting

Please contact Barbara Hart in the School Counseling Office at bhart@rsd6.org or by phone 860-567-6646 to schedule your student's individual Junior Future Planning Meeting. During this meeting you will have the opportunity to discuss plans for after Wamogo, whether it is a four year college, two year college, technical school, military, work, or a GAP year. The School counselors look forward to helping you through this process. Meetings are typically 45 minutes to an hour long. Ms. Brousseau is the School Counselor for students with the last names A-L, and Mrs. Fernandes is the School Counselor for students M-Z.

SAT Information--Frequently Asked Questions for Students and Families

For SAT Information, please click here:

http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/lib/sde/pdf/student_assessment/sat/FAQfamilies_english.pdf

Reminder: National College Fair/Juniors:

Any junior planning to travel to the Convention Center in Hartford on April 6 for the National College Fair, should turn their permission form, scannable bar code, and bus fee to Mrs. Hart as soon as possible. Forms were mailed home to all Junior parent/guardians and are also available in the Counseling Office. See Mrs. Hart with any questions.

AP Exams

An AP Exam fee remittance form, AP Exam dates, and information was mailed home to the parents/guardians of all current AP students. With the exception of World History and Latin, AP Exams are mandatory per Region 6 Board of Education Policy. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Hart in the School Counseling Office.

Course Registration

Course Registration for high school students took place during the week of February 13. The registration process was completed in English classes and facilitated by the School Counseling Department.

School Counselors will be meeting with students individually in the coming weeks to review their course selections and answer questions as needed.

Scholarships

Scholarships are being added regularly to our database in Naviance. In addition to the scholarships in Naviance, there are many other websites and resources available to all our students to access. Students must log on to their Naviance account, click on Colleges, scroll down to the Scholarship List link. Visit <http://www.college-scholarships.com> as an example of one of the many resources available. Scholarships come in all shapes and sizes; students need to be proactive and devote time to researching these opportunities.

**** The Application for Region 6 Scholarships was distributed to all Seniors on March 8 and 9 in their English class. All completed applications are due to Mrs. Hart in the Counseling Office by April 1! Region 6 Scholarships are NOT available through Naviance.***

QuestBridge

Attention Juniors! QuestBridge is a non-profit program that links high-achieving, deserving students with educational and scholarship opportunities at leading U.S. colleges and universities. QuestBridge provides the College Prep Scholarship for high school juniors and the National College Match program for high school seniors. For more information visit <https://www.questbridge.org> or see your school counselor.

UConn Exploring Expertise

May 13, 2017 - University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT Exploring Expertise is a conference for students in grades 8 through 12 and their parents. They invite talented, motivated adolescents to spend a day with them, learning about the university and its many offerings. Experts in a wide variety of disciplines will share their specialties and answer questions in panel discussion sessions. Parents can learn about college preparation and talent development opportunities, including the resources that will be available to students in college at UConn and other universities. Registration: February 27 through April 28, 2017. Registration costs: \$99 per parent/student pair (includes lunch); \$30 per additional family member (includes lunch). Spaces fill quickly; please register early. To register for this event go to <http://exp2.uconn.edu/>.

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