

# Junior News

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*A Note From Your Counselor—Mrs. Correll*

## Your Fall Checklist

- ✓ Meet with me to ensure you are on target with your core academic requirements, especially those who failed a class or transferred here since 9<sup>th</sup> grade.
- ✓ Stay or get active in your extra-curricular activities. Seek leadership positions.
- ✓ Consider volunteering for a community activity or event.
- ✓ Do the practice tests for the PSAT Testing at [collegeboard.com/psatextra](http://collegeboard.com/psatextra) and the Questions of the Day on Twitter.
- ✓ NCAA – If you plan/hope to play Division 1 or 2 sports in college, you must register at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org). Carefully look over the academic requirements. Cost is \$75.



## PSAT Testing

When: Wed., October 15, a.m.  
Where: To be announced  
Bring: Pencils and calculators  
Cost: \$14 to Mrs. Geise in guidance (Make checks payable to SWAHS) by 10/3. Limited tests available so the sooner the better.

Visit [www.collegeboard.com/psat](http://www.collegeboard.com/psat) for additional practice on critical reading, math, and writing skills, plus strategies, hints and other information. While you're on this website, sign up for the Questions of the Day—easy practice via Twitter. This year you can earn a National Merit Scholarship! Juniors who qualify for free/ reduced lunches, see me for help with the cost of the PSAT.

## Counselor Information

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## College Rep Visits

*This is your first year to attend college visits....You must come down for a pass in guidance by 2:45 the day before the visitation. You are responsible for work missed. Listen to announcements for additional visitations:*

### September

18 — Messiah College  
25 — Wilson College, Albright College, Elizabethtown College  
26 -- Wilkes University, Lackawanna College

### October

2 – Mansfield Uni., St. Francis Uni.  
3 — Cazenovia College  
8 — Lycoming College  
9 – Penn State University  
14 — University of Pittsburgh@ Bradford  
16 – Cedar Crest College  
17 — Juniata College  
30 — Penn College of Technology

### November

4 — Grove City College  
4 — Millersville University

## Military Visits

*As a junior, if you wish to attend military visits you will need to bring me a permission slip from a parent ("Please allow my junior son/daughter to attend military visits..."). Listen for visitation dates and get a pass by 2:45 the day before the visit.*

National Guard – September 16  
Air Force – November 8  
ASVAB test—November 18

find colleges with the right characteristics.

- Attend College Night on September 26!!
- Attend select college rep. visitations.
- Improve your grades. Admissions reps. really look at your junior year!!
- Did you job shadow?
- Visit colleges on weekends and holidays.
- Talk to college students and employees/employers.

## Financial Aid Night

How will you pay for college? Plan ahead to join us on Thursday, January 15, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.



## Email, Twitter & Facebook

Potential employers and college admissions offices are looking at you! Make sure your email address is professional and that you do not have anything on Twitter or Facebook that you wouldn't want on the front page of the Sun-Gazette!

**School/CEEB Code--395325**

## Upcoming Tests

PSAT	Oct. 15 (opt.)
ASVAB	Nov. 18 (opt.)
Keystones	Jan. 7-21
	May 13-27
AP World History	May 14

College-bound juniors should take the SAT tests which are held March 14, May 2, and June 6, 2015. Each time you take the SAT, and most take it 2-3 times, it will cost \$52.50. You must register online at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com), not through the guidance office.

ACT tests are an alternative to the SAT for college admission. The ACT measures grammar, science reasoning skills, and higher math skills. Spring ACT scores are February 7, April 18 and June 13, 2015. The cost is \$38 without the writing portion and \$54.50 with writing. Register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

Students who qualify for free or reduced lunches should see me for SAT and ACT fee waivers.

## Scams

You will get many offers in the mail guaranteeing scholarships. These

companies are charging a fee to guarantee that you will get a scholarship. Don't be taken advantage of; there are many free scholarships opportunities out there.

## Get Involved!

Colleges want to see students who are well-rounded, which means being involved in a variety of activities both in and out of school. Strive for leadership positions.



# Class of 2016

## Graduation Requirements

**English** (4 required)  
**Social Studies** (4 required)  
**Math** (4 required)  
**Science** (3 required)  
**Physical Education** (.5 required)  
**Health** (required)

Students must also satisfactorily complete:

- 1) graduation project
- 2) Keystone Exam proficiency or local assessment (If you did not pass the Biology or Algebra Keystone exam, you should be in remediation. See me with any concerns.)
- 3) a minimum of 24 credits (23--2-year CTE, 22--3-year CTE)

### How Are You Doing?



At the beginning of your junior year, you should have completed the following subjects.....

2 years of English  
2 years of Math  
2 years of Social Studies

2 years of Science  
Gym class  
Health

If have not completed these classes already, they should be on your junior schedule. If not, see me right away.

Also, if you have not passed your Biology or Algebra Keystone exams, you should be scheduled for a remediation class.

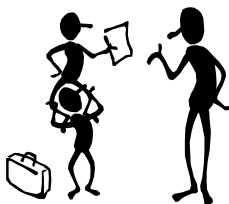
### Mounties' Website!

Keep track of your assignments, contact teachers, and keep up on the latest "Mountie" news by logging onto..... [www.swasd.org](http://www.swasd.org)

If you're absent or forget your assignments, go to the website above then click on high school, then individual teachers. Your teachers are also available by email:

Math	<a href="mailto:jbloom@swasd.org">jbloom@swasd.org</a>
Chemistry	<a href="mailto:meisley@swasd.org">meisley@swasd.org</a>
World Cultures	<a href="mailto:jkennedy@swasd.org">jkennedy@swasd.org</a>
English	<a href="mailto:keck@swasd.org">keck@swasd.org</a>
Spanish	<a href="mailto:sfay@swasd.org">sfay@swasd.org</a>
French	<a href="mailto:cryan@swasd.org">cryan@swasd.org</a>
Learning Support	<a href="mailto:efrey@swasd.org">efrey@swasd.org</a>

Other email addresses are available on the website.



### Get Informed

I am setting up an email database for the Class of 2016 to keep you up-to-date. Over the next two years, you can receive information about scholarships, job opportunities, and other valuable information via email. Remember to have **appropriate, professional** email addresses.



#### Career Search

[www.collegetoolkit.com](http://www.collegetoolkit.com)  
[www.educationplanner.org](http://www.educationplanner.org)  
[www.pacareerzone.com](http://www.pacareerzone.com)

#### College Search

[www.princetonreview.com](http://www.princetonreview.com)  
[www.collegenet.com](http://www.collegenet.com)  
[www.mapping-your-future.org](http://www.mapping-your-future.org)

#### SAT/ACT Info. & Tips

<http://ineedapencil.ck12.org/>  
[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)  
[www.act.org](http://www.act.org)  
[www.princetonreview.com](http://www.princetonreview.com)

#### College Comparisons

[www.usnews.com](http://www.usnews.com)  
[www.overview.com/colleges](http://www.overview.com/colleges)

#### Planning for College

[www.adventuresineducation.org](http://www.adventuresineducation.org)  
[www.collegeispossible.org](http://www.collegeispossible.org)

#### Financial Aid Resources

[www.ed.gov/finaid.html](http://www.ed.gov/finaid.html)  
[www.students.gov](http://www.students.gov)  
[www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)  
[www.pheaa.org](http://www.pheaa.org)  
[www.nasfaa.org](http://www.nasfaa.org)  
[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)  
[www.educationplanner.org](http://www.educationplanner.org)