

Changes in the 2009-10 College Readiness Testing Program for Students

In the past few years, CHS has offered the **PSAT** (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) to a select group of tenth-graders and any freshmen or juniors who wished to take it. The test serves as the **qualifying test for JUNIORS for consideration for National Merit Scholarship Corporation recognition and possible scholarships.**

For any underclassmen who sit for the exam, the PSAT merely serves as a practice test for future SAT tests. **For the 2009-10 school year, the PSAT will be given to any 9th – 11th grader who signs up at the Student Services desk on the first floor of the 3-story building by the deadline: September 15. The cost of the exam, which will be administered during the school day on Wednesday, October 14, is \$15.00.** Checks may be made payable to Charlotte High School. All juniors who wish to be considered for the National Merit Scholarship Competition should take the test. Senior students cannot sign up for this test; but, if they are college-bound, they should be taking the ACT or SAT.

In November, the ACT/PLAN test will be administered during the school day to all sophomore students at no cost to the students. The PLAN test will allow students to take a test very much like the ACT college entrance test. When the test results arrive, students will receive their original test booklets back as well as an item analysis showing them their correct and incorrect answers. There is also a career inventory administered in connection with this test which gives students valuable feedback about their career areas of interest.

Sophomores who are interested in taking Edison State College dual enrollment classes in math, history, and/or biology in their junior year, should definitely plan to take the ACT test on the national test exam Saturday in February in order to have scores available for counselors when registration takes place for next year.

Information about registration deadlines and testing sign-up is available at www.actstudent.org.