



# Junior Bulletin



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## The SAT Subject Tests

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### Why Take the Tests

Many colleges use the SAT Subject Tests for admissions, course placement and for advising students about course selection. Some colleges specify the SAT Subject Tests that they require for admissions or placement, while others allow students to choose which tests to take. Together with other information—high school transcripts, SAT scores, teacher recommendations, etc—the SAT Subject Tests provide another valuable piece of information about a student.

### Which Tests to Take

Students should consider

taking SAT Subject Tests in subjects in which they have an interest or excel. They should also find out how the colleges that they're considering use SAT Subject Tests scores. Specifically, students should look to see whether the schools require these scores for admission and, if so, how many tests and in which subjects.

### When to Take Them

Most students take SAT Subject Tests toward the end of their junior year or at the beginning of their senior year. It's recommended that students take the SAT Subject

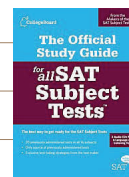
Tests as soon as possible after completing course work for that sub-

ject.

### Subject Tests

Mathematics Level 1; Mathematics Level 2; Biology Ecological/Molecular; Chemistry; Physics; Literature; U.S. History; World History; Chinese with Listening; French; French with Listening; German; German with Listening; Italian; Japanese with Listening; Korean with Listening; Latin; Modern Hebrew; Spanish; Spanish with Listening

(www.CollegeBoard.com)



### Special points of interest:

#### PSAT

- ✓ On December 16, 2009, we will meet with all students who took the PSAT in October to review their test scores
- ✓ Students will meet in small groups during periods 1-4
- ✓ Significance of PSAT scores in comparison to the SAT and ACT will be discussed.

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## Open Houses and College Fairs

**Gwynedd-Mercy College**— Gwynedd Valley, PA— Sunday, November 15, 2009— 9:45 a.m. Registration— Julia Ball Auditorium— Email: [admissions@gmc.edu](mailto:admissions@gmc.edu) to register.

**Landmark College**— Putney, VT— Spend a Saturday at Landmark! 2009-2010 Dates: November 21; February 13; March 6; April 17; May 8; June 19— Registration at 8:30 a.m. Program: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Lunch Included)—

Register online: [landmark.edu/admissions](http://landmark.edu/admissions)

**Philadelphia National College Fair**— Sunday, November 15, 2009— 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.— Pennsylvania Convention Center— Hall B



## Summer and Other Educational Opportunities

**AmeriSpan**– DonQuijote offers a wide range of Spanish immersion programs for participants of all ages throughout Spain and Latin America. Choose among adult programs, teenager summer camps, college credit courses and much more! Visit <http://www.amerispan.com> for more information!!!

**Summer School-Phillips Exeter Academy**– July 4- August 7, 2010– Five weeks of academic exploration and discovery at one of America’s outstanding independent schools– Visit [www.exeter.edu/summer](http://www.exeter.edu/summer) for more information!

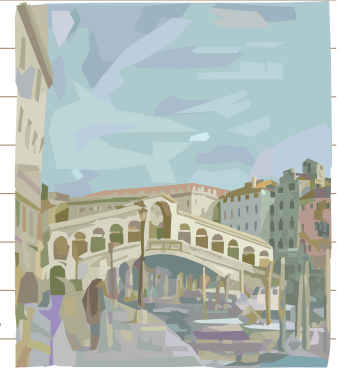
**Pennsylvania School for Global Entrepreneurship-Lehigh University**– June 27-July 31, 2010– [www.iacocca-lehigh.org](http://www.iacocca-lehigh.org) Application deadline is February 15, 2010. Information available online and in the guidance office.

**The Cambridge College Programme**– Academic and Leadership Programmes at University of Cambridge– Cambridge, England– This program is a unique educational opportunity for high achieving high school scholars. For additional information and to enroll contact:

*Note: New Hope-Solebury School District Does Not Endorse Any Program Offered Outside of the School District*

[www.cambridgecollegeprogramme.org](http://www.cambridgecollegeprogramme.org)

**Academictreks**– Summer Expeditions– [www.academictreks.com](http://www.academictreks.com)  
Or call 888-833-1908 for more information!



## ACT Testing

The ACT is a measure used by many colleges and universities to assess candidates, and is in fact more widely accepted than the SAT. The scoring on the ACT is based on accrued points from correct answers; students are not penalized for incorrect answers (wrong answers on the SAT result in a 1/4 point deduction from the student’s raw score).  
(<http://smartpreponline.com>)

### Reasons to Take the ACT

- Students often score very well on this measure
- The ACT tests students on math, reading, writing, social studies and science rather than math and reading on the SAT I
- Often times a student will not need SAT II scores if they take the ACT with Writing

(check with individual colleges for details)

### ACT Dates

Test Date: February 6, 2010–  
Registration Date: January 5, 2010  
Test Date: April 10, 2010–  
Registration Date: March 5, 2010  
Test Date: June 12, 2010–  
Registration Date: May 7, 2010  
([www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org))

**College Visits In November** – Please stop by the guidance office to sign up for a meeting with a college representative. Students must sign up one day in advance for an appointment.

Virginia Commonwealth University - Beth Tartaglia - 11/9/2009 1:00 PM

University of Phoenix - Dominic Cuniglio - 11/11/2009 11:30 AM



**College Visits are a Great Way to Start the College Admissions Process!**

Kings College - Meghan Ball - 11/12/2009 8:30 AM  
University of Conn. - Rachel Forker - 11/12/2009 11:30 AM  
Warren Wilson Col-

lege - Keri Whittaker - 11/13/2009 9:00 AM  
Ursinus College - Dianna Clavins - 11/13/2009 10:00 AM  
Regis College - Jacob Kravitz - 11/18/2009 12:00 PM  
Southern Vermont College - Rob Kaercher - 11/20/2009 11:35 AM

## Open Houses and College Fairs (continued from page 1)

**St. John's University**– Queens, NY and Staten Island, NY– Sunday, November 15, 2009– Register for either campus at [www.stjohns.edu/open\\_house](http://www.stjohns.edu/open_house)

**LECOM (College of Osteopathic Medicine School of Pharmacy)**– Erie, PA and Bradenton, FL– On Campus Days! November 10th and January 14th from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Please contact the Office of Admissions by phone at 814-866-6641 to register.

**SUNY Cobleskill**– NY– Open House! November 14, 2009– visit [www.cobleskill.edu/](http://www.cobleskill.edu/) for more information.

**SCAD**–Savannah, GA– Attend an admission information session to find out why SCAD is the university for creative careers– Philadelphia, PA– Saturday, November 21st at the Urban Outfitters Headquarters– Navy Yard– 12:30 p.m.

**Wagner College**– Staten Island, NY– Fall 2009 Campus Visit Day– Saturday, November 14th– Registration at 9 a.m., Wagner College Union– Program: 9:30 a.m.– 1 p.m. To RSVP please call 1-800-221-1010

**Wheelock College**– Boston, MA– Offering undergraduate programs in Early Childhood, Elementary, and Special Education, Social

Work, Child Life, Juvenile Justice and Youth Advocacy and Liberal Arts– Fall Open House on November 14th; Saturday Information Session on December 5th– Please call 617-879-2206 to register or for more information.

**Drew University**– Madison, NJ– 2009 Open House Days– “Inside Drew” Saturday, November 21st– For information, please call the Office of College Admissions at 973-408-Drew. Register online at [www.drew.edu/cla/visit](http://www.drew.edu/cla/visit)



## Summer and Other Educational Opportunities (continued from page 2)

**Broadreach**– Scuba Diving; Sailing Voyages; Marine Biology; Wilderness Adventures– Visit [www.gobroadreach.com](http://www.gobroadreach.com) for more information or call 1-888-833-1907

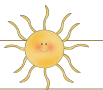
**National Student Leadership Conference**– If you would like to be nominated to attend this conference, please visit your guidance counselor today. Information about the program can be

found on the following website: [www.nslcleaders.org/foreducators.html](http://www.nslcleaders.org/foreducators.html)

**NSLI for Youth**– National Security Language Initiative for Youth is offering scholarships to study language abroad. An informational flyer is in the guidance office and you can visit <http://exchanges.state.gov/youth/programs/nsli.html> for more information.

**University of Pittsburgh Health Career Scholars Academy**

Applicants are asked to demonstrate academic achievement, especially in the sciences, an interest or potential in health care and a record of leadership and service activities. Application materials can be found at [www.hcsa.pitt.edu](http://www.hcsa.pitt.edu) Application deadline is February 10, 2010



## Some Useful Websites



**College Express**  
[www.collegeexpress.com](http://www.collegeexpress.com)

**Campus Tours**  
[www.campustours.com](http://www.campustours.com)

**Students Review**  
[www.studentsreview.com/](http://www.studentsreview.com/)

**Learning Disabilities**  
[www.ldonline.org](http://www.ldonline.org)

**Aviation Colleges**  
[www.uaa.aero](http://www.uaa.aero)

**Canadian Schools**  
[www.campusstarter.com](http://www.campusstarter.com)

**College Plan**  
[www.collegeplan.org](http://www.collegeplan.org)

**College Essays**  
[www.essayedge.com/college/essayadvice/samples/](http://www.essayedge.com/college/essayadvice/samples/)

**Pathways to College**  
[www.pathwaystocollege.net](http://www.pathwaystocollege.net)

**College Fairs**  
<http://www.nacacnet.org/EventsTraining/CollegeFairs/Pages/default.aspx>

**Study in the U.K.**  
[www.britishcouncil.org](http://www.britishcouncil.org)



**New Hope-Solebury  
School District**



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Attn: Guidance Office  
182 West Bridge Street  
New Hope, PA  
18938

Phone: 215-862-8171  
Fax: 215-862-1446  
Email: [mpaolini@nhsd.org](mailto:mpaolini@nhsd.org)  
(Maria Paolini-Guidance)

We're on the web!  
<http://www.nhsd.org/hs/HIGHSCHOOL/Guidance%20Department.shtml>

**Open Houses and College Fairs (Continued from  
pages 1 and 3)**

**Wheaton College**– Norton, MA– Choose one of their visit programs, tour the campus Monday– Saturday during the fall, or register for an information session, interview, class visit and more. Fall Visiting Day– November 11, 2009; Overnight Visit– November 10, 2009; Math and Science Visiting Day– November 11, 2009.  
[www.wheatoncollege.edu/admission/visit](http://www.wheatoncollege.edu/admission/visit)

**Rider University**– Lawrenceville, NJ– Financial Aid Workshops for students and their families– Saturdays: December 5, 2009 and January 16, 2010– Visit [www.rider.edu/admissions](http://www.rider.edu/admissions) to register

**University of the Sciences**– Are you interested in medicine, pharmacy, healthcare, chemistry or forensic science? Visit an open house at the University of the Sciences– Saturday, November 21st

Visit [www.usp.edu/fallvisiting](http://www.usp.edu/fallvisiting) for more information



**What Are You Thankful For? Some Quotes From Our Juniors...**

- “I am thankful for my best friend, Brittni”
- “I am thankful for my best friend, Paige”
- “I am thankful for my family, the fact that I live in a safe place and for my friends”
- “I’m thankful for the opportunity to be a part of a team”
- “I’m thankful for my amazing friends! They are always there for me when I need them and I’m so glad for that”
- “I’m thankful for the support of my family and I’m thankful for the great school environment that we have and friends”
- “I am thankful for the people in my life who love me”
- “I’m thankful for living in a safe environment full of family and friends who love me”
- “I’m thankful for health”
- “I’m thankful for my car that will get me wherever I want”
- “I am thankful for my house”
- “I am thankful for New Hope-Solebury’s caring and loving guidance counselors”
- “I am thankful for my beliefs”
- “I am thankful for *Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2* : -)”

