

## Senior Newsletter-November 13, 2017

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**TSI Exemptions:** ACT 23 or higher composite with a 19 minimum in English & Math

SAT 480 or higher in Reading (evidence-based) & 530 or higher in Math

If you have these scores, you are considered college-ready and do not need to take the TSI. If you took the TSI, but did not pass one or more sections and have the scores, you are still TSI exempt. You do not need to retake the TSI.

**Still Need the TSI?:** There are 70 computers at the LCC assessment center. The closer to Xmas vacations, the more crowded the testing center becomes as most people tend to wait until the last minute to test for spring semester. If you are testing to comply with the requirement but not planning on dual enrollment for the spring, either test in November or wait until late January. We will be having on-site testing here at SAHS in early February primarily for sophomores and freshmen, but we will accommodate seniors as well.

**Are you being asked to send a certification letter?** Please see the attached form. Fill this out and send to any public university in Texas. It is possible that the private universities may ask you to send this as well. If you are in doubt, ask me.

**Letters of Acceptance:** Please forward me your acceptance e-mails or bring by a copy of all acceptance letters as soon as possible. I need to keep track of those! Also, I need a copy of any and all scholarships you receive-especially those Financial Aid Award Letters.

**Need to Send Transcripts?** SAHS has **Parchment** if your school does not accept downloads through electronic portals. Log into [www.parchment.com](http://www.parchment.com) and create an account. Follow online instructions to have your transcript sent. If your school does not accept transcripts sent electronically, then you will have to mail them. You will feel better if you mail them with a tracking number. Usually it takes a couple of weeks for the office of admissions to process that information and there may be a delay on your "My Status" page. If you have a tracking number, then you know for sure that the office received the transcript.

**School of Diplomacy & International Relations:** If you are interested in these areas, you might consider Seton Hall University (New Jersey) because they have several programs including a 3+3 program which would give you a Bachelor's Degree and Law Degree specializing in Diplomacy & International Relations including a semester internship in Washington D.C. See me for more information or google their site.

**Discover Scholarship:** Sign-up at CollegeCovered.com to enter for a chance to win a \$2,500 scholarship which will be randomly selected. December 31<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for this.

**College out of state and pay in-state tuition?** Look at this website for information on the Academic Common Market [www.sreb.org/academic-common-market](http://www.sreb.org/academic-common-market). For more than 35 years, SREB's Academic Common Market has enabled students to pursue out-of-state college degrees at in-state tuition rates, through agreements among the states and colleges and universities.

**Schools with “no loan” policies:** If your family income does not exceed \$60,000, there are a number of schools with no loan policies in their financial aid award letters. All the “Ivy League” schools plus many others have policies such as these. To see the list and find out more about this, visit [www.edvisors.com/plan-for-college/money-saving-tips/no-loans-colleges/#list-of-](http://www.edvisors.com/plan-for-college/money-saving-tips/no-loans-colleges/#list-of-)

**Are you interested in fashion design?** There is an opportunity to win a paid internship. Log into this website for more information. FAMEANDPARTNERS.COM/IT-GIRL

### Draft of Spring 2018 Testing Schedule

Test	Grade Level	Registration Deadline	Test Date
ACT (on campus)	11 <sup>th</sup>	Feb. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	February 27th
ACT(off campus)	11 <sup>th</sup>	Jan 12 <sup>th</sup> (online)	February 10th
PSAT	8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup>	N/A	March 6th
SAT(off campus)	11 <sup>th</sup>	Feb 9 <sup>th</sup> (online)	March 10th
TSI (on campus)	9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup>	Jan. 30th	February 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6th
SAT (on campus)	11 <sup>th</sup>	March 20 <sup>th</sup>	April 10th
ACT(off campus)	11 <sup>th</sup>	March 9 <sup>th</sup> (online)	April 14th
SAT (off campus)	11 <sup>th</sup>	April 6(online)	May 5th
AP Spanish Literature and Culture/AP Chem	11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup>	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	May 7th
AP Spanish Language and Culture	10 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup>	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	May 8th
AP English Literature and Composition	12 <sup>th</sup>	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	May 9th
AP Biology	12 <sup>th</sup>	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	May 14th
AP English Language and Composition	11 <sup>th</sup>	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	May 16th
AP World History	10 <sup>th</sup>	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	May 17th
SAT (off campus)	11 <sup>th</sup>	May 3 <sup>rd</sup> (online)	June 2nd
ACT (off campus)	11 <sup>th</sup>	May 4 <sup>th</sup> (online)	June 9th
ACT(off campus)	11 <sup>th</sup>	June 15 <sup>th</sup> (online)	July 14th