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CAREERLINE GOES GREEN



Careerline has been sent home to students and parents for more than 15 years. Times have changed, and starting with the October issue, families can access **Careerline** online on the Western Wayne website. If families do not have access to a computer or Internet services, they can request a printed copy of Careerline by contacting the guidance office. Other important information can also be found in the guidance section of the Western Wayne website. Click on the **Parents and Students** tab at the top of the opening page of the Western Wayne website. On the left side, you will see the heading of **department**, click on the **Guidance Department**, then **High School guidance**. This brings you to the guidance site of the website. You will find many sources of information. Students can request their transcript for their college applications and scholarships. There are numerous career, college, and scholarship resources. SAT and ACT testing information is also posted. Feel free to contact the guidance department with questions and concerns.

Careerline

REMEMBER

SENIOR Reminders for



- ✓ Last minute SAT takers...Sign up to take your senior SATs. Applications are available in guidance or complete them online at www.collegeboard.com.
- ✓ **APPLY** to college. Check colleges for application deadlines.
- ✓ Update your resume on the Career Cruising program by logging on with the user name (wwhs) and password (wildcats). Press the Career Cruising start button. On the left side enter your user name and password in the portfolio box. If you forgot it, just stop in guidance and get it. Once you are logged in, go to the tool bar on the left. At the top of the tool bar, you will see the tab "resume builder". Update your resume and print it.
- ✓ A **Financial Aid Information Night** sponsored by the Western Wayne Guidance Department is scheduled for NOVEMBER 15th at 7:00 p.m. at the High School.
- ✓ **Seniors are being called in by their guidance counselors to work on finalizing career and college plans. Parents are welcome to contact their child's guidance counselor with questions and concerns.**
- ✓ **Visit** colleges. Attend open houses at different colleges. Attend college fairs.
- ✓ If you apply online, make sure you tell your guidance counselor. Your transcript must be sent in order to make your application complete. Transcript Request forms are available online. Log onto the Western Wayne website. Click the **Parents and Students** tab, then **Guidance**, and **High School Guidance**. This is the opening page for the High School Guidance page. The Transcript Request is on the left. Your **first** transcript is sent certified mail at no cost to you. If you need additional transcripts for other applications, you are charged \$5.00 a piece. (Cash, check, or money order: payable to Western Wayne School District)
- ✓ Prepare your application carefully. Follow the instructions, and **PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO DEADLINES!** Be sure to ask your counselor and teachers at least two weeks before your application deadlines to submit the necessary documents to colleges (your transcript, letters of recommendation, etc.).
- ✓ Make a list of all deadlines for admission, housing, scholarships, and financial assistance. **Verify by phone, email, or in writing that all parts of your application have been received.**
- ✓ See your guidance counselor about taking a CLEP (College Level Examination Program) test. Earn college credit for what you know.
- ✓ **If you plan to live on campus at any college in Pennsylvania you must have meningitis shot. Contact your physician or college you plan to attend for details.**
- ✓ Male students turning 18 are required to register with the **Selective Service**. Register at www.sss.gov.
- ✓ If you want to participate in Division I or Division II sports in college, start the certification process. **NCAA** applications are available in guidance.

JUNIOR Reminders

- ✓ Volunteer for activities that matter to you and reflect your personality. Volunteering looks great on a college application and adds to your quality of life. Need ideas for volunteering? See Ms. Tagle in the guidance office or check on the Western Wayne website (www.westernwayne.org) Click on "high school" then "guidance" and "volunteer".
- ✓ Do the SAT question of the day. (www.collegeboard.com).

SOPHOMORE Reminders

- ✓ Get involved in activities outside the classroom. Work towards leadership positions in the activities that you like best. Become involved in community service and other volunteer activities.

FRESHMAN reminders

- ✓ Get involved with extracurricular activities.

ALL STUDENTS

- ✓ The publication **SCHOLARSHIPS AND OPPORTUNITIES** is available each month from September to April. This listing includes information on scholarships, jobs, volunteer work, prep programs, summer opportunities, and guidance services. You will find it on the Western Wayne website. Look for it in the Guidance section.
- ✓ Check **SchoolBook** for academic progress.
- ✓ Tutoring is available during school and after school. See your guidance counselor for details.
- ✓ Working papers are available in the guidance office. See Mrs. Marquette.

AFTER SCHOOL

TUTORING & HOMEWORK HELP

Time: 3:00 - 5:15 PM (unless otherwise indicated)

SUBJECT	Room	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
MATH & (SAT Prep) Mr. Lodini	Math Lab		✓		✓
HISTORY & General help Mr. Butler	109			✓	
ENGLISH Mrs. McLaughlin	809				✓
SCIENCE Mrs. Brewer Until 4 p.m.	812	✓		✓	
MUSIC Mr. Stedenfeld	BAND ROOM				✓
Open Session- Applications Ms. Tagle	401 Sign up in Guidance				

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Western Wayne High School is offering tutoring sessions and homework help after school during the 2011-12 school year. In order to stay after school for tutoring, your child must have a permission slip on file in the High School Office. Tutoring will begin at 3:00 PM and run until 5:15 PM, unless otherwise noted. In most cases, students will be able to take the 5:30 PM late bus home from the school. If you wish to pick your child up early, we ask that you please come to the room and let the teacher know that your child is leaving with you. If a student commits to a tutoring session, they must agree to remain for the full session as students will not be allowed to leave early unless someone is there to pick them up. Cancellations will be announced in school as soon as they become available. Attached you will find a listing of available teachers, dates and times.

_____ Has my permission to remain after school for tutoring/homework
(Student's Name)

help on the following dates: _____

Tutoring/Homework help is requested with _____
(Teacher's Name)

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

Please return this form to the main office. Thank you.

Juniors/Seniors: ASVAB Testing Scheduled for November 2, 2011



Interested Juniors and Seniors can sign up in the guidance office to take the ASVAB Test on November 2, 2011.

What is the ASVAB?

The ASVAB is a nationally- normed multi-aptitude test battery developed and maintained by the Department of Defense. Over half of all high schools nationwide participate in ASVAB testing. The ASVAB consists of the following eight individual tests:

- Word Knowledge
- Paragraph Comprehension
- Mathematics Knowledge
- Arithmetic Reasoning
- General Science
- Mechanical Comprehension
- Electronics Information
- Auto and Shop Information

Students are provided with scores on each of these individual tests and three Career Exploration Score composites: Verbal Skills, Math Skills, and Science and Technical Skills.

What is the ASVAB Career Exploration Program?

The ASVAB Career Exploration Program is a tool to help students identify and explore potentially satisfying occupations and to develop effective strategies to realize their career goals. In addition, students learn career exploration and planning skills and decision-making skills that will last them a lifetime. The program provides students with: *Exploring Careers: The ASVAB Career Exploration Guide*, which includes a self-scoring interest inventory and the OCCU-FIND. The interest inventory provides students with interest codes that they can use to identify potentially satisfying occupations. The OCCU-FIND organizes and presents relevant information about occupations of interest to help students identify tentative career choices. A Web site with an automated OCCU-FIND linked to occupational information for approximately 500 civilian and military occupations. The Web site also provides students with downloadable exercises that will guide their career

exploration and planning. For example, a Coursework Planner helps students evaluate the appropriateness of their current high school program of study, determine what they need to do to graduate, and enhance their career-related skills while still in high school.

This program helps students whether they are planning on immediate post-high school employment or going on for additional training or education. For more information, visit www.asvabprogram.com or contact your high school counselor.

Applying for Civil Service Jobs

The following steps describe the basic process required to apply for civil service employment.

Review the General Job Opportunities section the PA State Civil Service Commission www.scs.state.pa.us website. This listing is updated daily and lists test announcements of jobs that are open for application and deadline dates for submitting an application.

Complete a [civil service application for employment www.scs.state.pa.us](http://www.scs.state.pa.us) for each test announcement for which you are interested. The test announcement may specify what other documents to submit with the application (e.g. college transcripts, application supplements, etc.).

After applying online for some job titles, you will be automatically directed to select a date, time, and location to take your civil service test. For other job titles, you will be notified when you can select a date, time, and location for testing. If you complete a paper application, you will be notified by letter of your scheduled date, time, and location for testing. If the test consists of a rating of your training and experience, your test score will be based on the information you provide on your application and supplement if required.

The Commission will send you the results of your examination or rating. If you meet the minimum requirements and pass the test, your name is placed on the list of eligible candidates (eligible list) for that job title according to your score. Positions in the merit system are filled from this pool of eligible candidates.

When a job vacancy occurs, the hiring agency requests an eligible list from which to interview for that job title. Hiring is normally done from the highest ranking candidates on an eligible list. If you are ranked high enough on the eligible list, you will be contacted to report for a job interview

If you are interviewed and not selected for the position, your name remains on the eligible list to be considered for future vacancies for a specified period of time. Your standing on the eligible list may change as more persons are tested and added, and as appointments are made. If you are selected for the position, the agency will notify you and establish a start date.

Career Cruising



Career Cruising is an Internet-based career exploration and planning tool used to explore career and college options and develop a career plan. Career Cruising can be accessed from school, from home, or wherever you have access to the Internet. Log onto www.careercruising.com, enter the User name *wwhs* and the password *wildcats*. This will give you access to the most of the features in the program. If you want to save items to your portfolio you need to use the user name and password given to you in class. If you lost it, just come to guidance and we will re-issue it to you.

Email Most students in grades 9, 10, 11 and 12 have opened up their “portfolio”. If you entered your email address, you will be receiving announcements from the guidance department. They may be reminders or announcements. Please make sure you entered your Western Wayne email. So don’t forget to check your email. If you forgot or lost your user name and password for your portfolio, just stop in guidance and get the information.

Financial Aid Information

Career Cruising's financial aid database includes details on thousands of scholarships, grants, awards, fellowships, and other assistance programs. Using our Financial Aid Selector, you can find financial aid programs that you qualify for based on factors such as gender, background, academic record, educational plans, and more.

Scholarship profiles include:

- Award and donor/sponsor descriptions
- Award criteria
- Application process and requirements
- Contact information

College Data

- ◆ The undergraduate school profiles in the *Explore Schools* section now include some new data on financial aid, entrance exam scores, and graduation and retention rates to help students make informed college choices.
- ◆ **Undergraduate Institutional Financial Aid:** Data has been added on the kinds of financial aid students can receive at a given institution and the average amount that is awarded for each type of aid. This data can be found in the "Expenses & Financial Aid" section of the undergraduate school profiles.
- ◆ **Entrance Exams Data:** In the “Enrollment” section of school profiles, there is a new graph and score information for the writing portion of the SAT exam. Also added is the mean score, 25th percentile score, and 75th percentile score for all sections of the SAT as well as the ACT exam.
- ◆ **Academic Information:** Graduation and retention rates have been added to the "Academic Information” section.

Career Cruising offers:

Interest and Skills Assessment - a world-renowned career assessment tool to help people identify suitable career options based on their interests and skills

Career Profiles - thorough and up-to-date information about hundreds of different occupations, including direct links between careers and related college programs

Multimedia Interviews - interviews with real people in each occupation, which add depth and realism to career profiles

College and Financial Aid Information - comprehensive college and financial aid information, with a number of useful search tools to help you find the right college and the right scholarships.

Electronic Career Portfolio - available online, so you can develop your education and career plans from wherever you access Career Cruising

Resume Builder - integrated with the portfolio to help you format and print professional-looking resumes quickly and easily.

Log onto www.careercruising.com

User name: *wwhs*

Password: *wildcats*



HOBY Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership Program

SOPHOMORES ONLY

HOBY will soon celebrate 50 years as the country’s top youth leadership development organization. Founded in 1958 by veteran actor Hugh O’Brian, HOBY’s mission is to provide lifelong leadership development opportunities that empower individuals to achieve their highest potential. O’Brian set out to help young people make a difference and become positive catalysts for change—in the home, school, workplace, and community. Now, with more than 355,000 alumni leading the way, HOBY is respected worldwide for its youth leadership programs.

Beginnings in an African Jungle

In the summer of 1958, actor Hugh O’Brian received the invitation that would change his life. O’Brian, then 33, had already made a name for himself as an actor portraying the legendary lawman Wyatt Earp on television and appearing in numerous films when a cable arrived from French Equatorial Africa. The cable reported that Dr. Albert Schweitzer would welcome him at any time for a visit.

O’Brian had long admired the German doctor-missionary-theologian-musician. “I’d read so much about him,” O’Brian reflects. “He was a great humanitarian who could have done anything he wanted in the world, and there he was in the middle of Africa taking care of people.” Within two weeks O’Brian was on his way, by commercial airliner, bush plane and canoe, to the famed hospital that Schweitzer had founded in 1913 on the banks of the Ogooue River in Lambarene.

There he was met by a very old man with a huge, white walrus mustache, wearing white pants, shirt and pith helmet. “That was his uniform,” says O’Brian, recalling his first sighting of Schweitzer. The actor spent nine days at the clinic complex where Schweitzer and volunteer doctors and nurses, working without electricity or running water, cared for patients including many with leprosy. O’Brian spent his days assisting the volunteers in the hospital and his nights with Dr. Schweitzer discussing global peace and world politics.

Schweitzer, then 83, who had received the 1952 Nobel Peace Prize for his efforts in behalf of the “Brotherhood of Nations,” was concerned about global peace prospects and was impressed that the young American had taken the time to visit him. The doctor led the actor through history over those evenings. Schweitzer was convinced that the United States was the only country in the world with the ability to bring about peace.

Dr. Schweitzer told O’Brian that he felt “The most important thing in education is to teach young people to think for themselves,” which O’Brian would never forget. “He said the United States must take a leadership role,” O’Brian recounts, “or we are a lost civilization.” After an inspiring nine days, O’Brian prepared to return to America.

Before saying goodbye, Dr. Schweitzer took O’Brian’s hand and asked, “Hugh, what are you going to do with this?” It was these words combined with his unforgettable visit that compelled O’Brian to form Hugh O’Brian Youth

Leadership (HOBY). Two weeks after returning from his 1958 visit to Africa, O'Brian put together a prototype seminar for young leaders.

Over the next few decades...

From 1958 to 1967, HOBY leadership programs took place annually in Los Angeles. The programs were initially offered only to male high school sophomores from California. In 1968 the scope of the HOBY program grew to include national and international participants, which led to the expanded eight-day global leadership seminar called the World Leadership Congress (WLC) held annually. In 1972, female sophomores were also invited to attend HOBY programs.

In an effort to include more students nationwide, three- and four-day HOBY Leadership Seminars were instituted in 1977, with Delaware, Illinois, New Jersey, New York, and Rhode Island being the first to conduct HOBY Leadership Seminars. By 1982, Leadership Seminars were being conducted annually in all 50 United States in which high schools throughout the country nominated a sophomore to attend a HOBY seminar in their state. In 1991, HOBY added one-day introductory leadership trainings called Community Leadership Workshops (CLeWs) for high school freshmen. CLeWs are initiated and organized by HOBY's own alumni and/or members of the community, and are sponsored by local service clubs or companies that believe in HOBY's mission. HOBY's influence has even extended worldwide with programs developed in such countries as Canada, Mexico, Israel, China, Taiwan, Korea, Bolivia, and Argentina.

Over four decades later, HOBY is still inspiring young people all over the world to develop their leadership and critical-thinking skills to achieve their highest potential. Currently, more than 9,000 students, representing as many high schools nationwide, attend HOBY programs each year. These programs are run by over 4,000 volunteers with community leaders, business executives, educators, and parents involved in every seminar. Volunteers donate their time, talents, and labor by planning, coordinating, facilitating, and serving as mentors to tomorrow's young leaders.

Each program strives to follow the HOBY motto of teaching students, "how to think, not what to think," thus ensuring that Dr. Schweitzer's hope for young people lives on.

...from Dr. Albert Schweitzer... to Hugh O'Brian... to You... to the World...

The leadership program will be held in May of 2010 and typically is held at Millersville University. All expenses except transportation are paid.

To be considered for the HOBY program, complete the ESSAY and return it to guidance by October 14th

ESSAY:

In seventy five words or less, write an essay on the importance of leadership and volunteering as it applies to you. The essay must be typed.



College and Training Programs



Luzerne County Community College offers a Certificate in Computerized Numerical Control Technology

In this CNC Certificate Program students learn the programming, set-up and operation of machine tools, including loading raw stock, start-up procedures, de-bugging of programs, and inspection of parts. Instruction emphasizes hands-on skills as well as related information in the use of computerized numerical control (CNC) technology to program machine tools for drilling, milling, and turning operations. A graduate of this program can be employed as a class C machinist, entry-level tool programmer, CNC Operator, or a mechanical engineering technician. This program provides the student the opportunity to learn machining techniques which are among today's high technological computer based manufacturing environments.

The graduate of this program is able to:

- Set-up and program a Computer Numeric Machine and evaluate tool paths for safety and efficiency.
- Use Computer Aided Manufacturing software to create a machine-readable program.
- Plan and create a tool path that includes holding methods and cut sequences.
- Log onto **www.luzerne.edu** for more information.

Luzerne County Community College Offers a Diploma in Paraeducator

This diploma program in Paraeducator provides students with theoretical and practical experiences leading to competence and mastery of required skills and knowledge as outlined by the Pennsylvania Department of Education in the Credential of Competency for Special Education Paraeducators in Pennsylvania per 22 PA Code Chapter 14.105(a)(1)(iii). Study and field work include exposure to the role of paraeducator in educational setting from early childhood through Grade 12.

This program provides the student the opportunity:

- To acquire the PA credential competencies for Special Education Paraeducators within two semesters (fulltime).
- To complete the Special Education Paraeducator Diploma while employed (part-time).
- To transfer the Special Education Paraeducator Diploma 15 of the 16 credits into LCCC's Early Childhood Education Program.
- To complete and submit to the state the actual Credential of Competency Checklist.



The Wilkes University School of Nursing is presenting a program entitled “An Experience in Nursing” to be held on campus Wednesday, November 2, 2011.

This program is for juniors and seniors who are interested in nursing as a career. Students must arrange their own transportation. Register by October 21st by calling 570-408- 4089 or by emailing Kimberly.hearst@wilkes.edu



MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY The Department of Art, The Department of Communication, and the Office of Admissions will host a spend-a-day program for those students interested in one of their programs: Art History, Art Education, Graphic Design (Motion & Print Graphics), Mass Communication (Broadcasting, Journalism, or Public Relations), and Organizational Communication. The program will be held on Thursday, November 3, 2011 from 9:00 am - 1:30 pm. Log onto www.mansfield.edu for details.



PENN STATE UNIVERSITY MAIN CAMPUS is hosting an ARTS (Art, Design, Music, and Theater) and ARCHITECTURE informational FALL Visit Day at University Park on October 10, 2011. Register at visit.aanda.psu.edu.



NATIONAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE FAIRS OF NORTHEAST PA will be held at the Fellowship Evangelical Free Church in Dallas. October 11, 2011 from 7-9:00pm Log onto www.nccf.us or call 888.423.2477

ROTC

Reserve Officer Training Corps is one of the most all-encompassing scholarship programs in the United States. As part of ROTC, students receive the education necessary to excel as future officers in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

Financial Assistance

- Most ROTC scholarships cover the entire cost of tuition. The Navy covers housing and books as well as provides a stipend, while the Army covers only tuition. Air Force offers a majority of scholarship recipients full tuition up to the in-state cost as well as stipends for books.
- ROTC members are also provided a living expense. Starting at \$250 a month, the amount increases each school year.

Eligibility Requirements

- Be a U.S. citizen
- Age: at least 17 years of age but no older than 26 for the Army
at least 17 years of age but no older than 23 for the Navy
at least 17 years of age but no older than 31 of the year you will commission for Air Force

- Receive a high school diploma or equivalent by August 1st of the year you plan to enter ROTC
- GPA: at least 2.5 for the Army
at least 3.0 for the Air Force
not specified for Navy but typically around a 3.25
- SAT: at least 920 (verbal and math) for Army
at least 1050 for Navy
at least 1100 for Air Force
- ACT: at least 19 for Army
at least 21 Math, 22 English for Navy
at least 24 for Air Force

In-School Responsibilities

During school, ROTC members function like any other college or university student. ROTC classes are a requirement as well as other training programs over the summer, depending on the branch.

Post-Graduation Responsibilities

Upon graduation, you won't have to search for a job. You'll be enlisted as an Officer in your respective branch—the equivalent of a high-profile job at a corporation. A 4 – 10 year commitment is required based on military branch.

Visit www.military.com for more information about the ROTC.



Homeland Security Management Degree

The Bachelor of Science degree program in Homeland Security Management will prepare students for the growing demand for qualified Homeland Security personnel at the local, state, and federal level. The Homeland Security Management degree pulls together elements of security, emergency management, and intelligence analysis to provide students with a broad understanding of the field while preparing them for the specialized nature of their future careers. Log onto Central Penn College's website at www.centralpenn.edu.



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Money Matters



WHAT is Federal Student Aid?

Federal student aid comes from the federal government—specifically, the U.S. Department of Education. It is money that helps a student pay for education expenses at a postsecondary school (e.g., college, vocational school, graduate school). Federal student aid covers such expenses as tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, and transportation. Aid also can help pay for a computer and for dependent care. The four categories of federal student aid are: grants, scholarships, work-study, and loans. **Grant money** usually doesn't have to be repaid. Most U.S. Department of Education grants are based on the student's financial need. U.S. Department of Education **scholarship money** is awarded based on a student's academic achievement and does not have to be repaid. **Work-study money** is earned by a student through a job on or near campus while attending school and does not have to be repaid. **Loan money** must be repaid with interest. For details about the federal student aid programs, including maximum annual amounts and loan interest rates, visit www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov/guide.

FINANCIAL AID GLOSSARY

Expected Family Contribution

Your **Expected Family Contribution (EFC)** is the number that's used to determine your eligibility for federal student financial aid. This number results from the financial information you provided in your FAFSA application. Your EFC is reported to you on your [Student Aid Report \(SAR\)](#).

Financial Aid Administrator (FAA)

FAA is an individual who works at a college or career school and is responsible for preparing and communicating information on student loans, grants or scholarships and employment programs. The FAA and staff help students apply for and receive student aid. The FAA is also capable of analyzing student needs and making professional judgment changes when necessary.

Financial Aid Package

The total amount of financial aid (federal and nonfederal) a student is offered by the school. The financial aid administrator at a postsecondary institution combines various forms of aid into a "package" to help meet a student's education costs. Using available resources to give each student the best possible package of aid is one of the aid administrator's major responsibilities. Because funds are often limited, an aid package might fall short of the amount a student needs to cover the full cost of attendance. Also, the amount of federal student aid in a package is affected by other sources of aid received (scholarships, state aid, etc.).

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Fee waivers are available for the SAT and ACT test. Students who receive free or reduced lunch may qualify. See your guidance counselor for details.

2011-12 SAT and ACT Test Dates

SAT Test **Test Fee - \$49** Register online at www.sat.collegeboard.com

Test Date	Oct 1 2011	Nov 5 2011	Dec 3 2011	Jan 28 2012	Mar 10 2012	May 5 2012	Jun 2 2012
Regular registration deadline:	Sept 9	Oct 7	Nov 8	Dec 30	Feb 10	April 6	May 8
Late registration deadline (\$ 26 additional fee)	Sept 21	Oct 21	Nov 20	Jan 13	Feb 24	April 20	May 22

ACT Test **Test Fee - \$33 (no writing)** **Test with Optional Writing Test - \$48** Register online at www.act.org

Test Date	Sept 10 2011 Given at Western Wayne	Oct 22 2011	Dec 10 2011	Feb 11 2012	April 14 2012	June 9 2012
Regular registration deadline	Aug 12	Sept 16	Nov 4	Jan 13	March 9	May 4
Late registration deadline (\$ 21 additional fee)	Aug 26	Sept 30	Nov 18	Jan 20	March 23	May 18

Western Wayne's Procedures for Submitting College Applications

1. **ALL APPLICATIONS** must be brought to the Guidance Office **ONE WEEK** before the specific college deadline. The Guidance Department will not guarantee meeting college deadlines for applications that are submitted late.
2. The entire completed college application packet should be brought to Guidance. This includes the student application, essays, letters of recommendation, Secondary School Report, and application fee. Students applying to a college directly **online** should notify their guidance counselor.
3. Some college/universities will waive the applications fee if you visit their campus. Other colleges/universities have free online college applications. Students having financial difficulties covering the application fee should see their guidance counselor.
4. Seniors should give their completed applications to their Guidance Counselor. At this time they must complete an official Western Wayne **TRANSCRIPT REQUEST** form giving permission to send the transcript and test scores. Students submitting their applications **online** need to have their transcripts sent out and must complete the **TRANSCRIPT REQUEST** also. Applications are not considered complete without your transcript. **TRANSCRIPT REQUEST** forms are available in guidance or on the Western Wayne website (under guidance).
5. Your transcript includes your SAT and ACT scores. Check to make sure guidance has your most up-to-date scores. A few colleges require that you have your SAT/ACT sent directly from the College Board/ACT program (Penn State is one). It is your responsibility to have the scores sent. Questions?...see your guidance counselor.

6. Applications are sent out certified registered mail. The first application a student sends out will have the **cost of the certified registered mail** paid for by the district. The student will pay for all subsequent applications sent by certified registered mail. The cost is \$5.00 per application. Cash, check, or money order is accepted.
7. Checks or money orders for the college application fee should be attached to the top of the first page of the application and made out to the college you are applying to. **DO NOT** pay college application fees with cash!
8. Your counselor will review the application package, complete Secondary School information requested, sign where requested, and return it to the Guidance Assistant to be mailed.
9. Students requesting Counselor Letters of Recommendation must request the letter at least **TWO WEEKS** in advance.
10. In most instances **Early Decision** applications should be submitted around November 1st. This can vary so watch your dates! Regular Decision applications should be submitted as soon as possible. If you are uncertain about application deadlines see your guidance counselor.
11. **Midyear grades** will be sent to colleges that require them. It is the student's responsibility to notify the guidance office about sending out mid-year grades.
12. Final transcripts will be sent to the college that the student will attend. **FINAL TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS** will be given to seniors at the end of the school year. *Remember, college admissions representatives review all senior year grades very carefully.*
13. Students and parents are encouraged to contact their Guidance Counselor with any questions or concerns.

The PSAT

**PSAT Saturday,
October 15th**

The PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) will be administered on **SATURDAY, October 15th** at Western Wayne High School from 8:00 to 11:15a.m. to interested 10th and 11th graders. The PSAT/NMSQT parallels many of the elements in the SAT. Like the SAT, the PSAT/NMSQT is based on the principle that the test should more closely align with high school curricula and college skills. The PSAT is a valuable indicator of how you may perform on the SAT. The PSAT/NMSQT's Score Report *Plus* will be given to students in order to continue to help students determine their strengths and weaknesses by providing personalized feedback on academic skills. Students receive this report with their scores in early December.

Sign up for the PSAT test in the guidance office until October 10th. Make checks and money orders for \$14.00 payable to "Western Wayne Guidance/PSAT."

Fee waivers are available to needy juniors. See your guidance counselors for details regarding fee waivers.



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Dates to Remember

October 7	PSAT registration during lunch sections
October 7	Last day to register for the November 5 th SAT
October 15	PSAT testing 8:00 to 11:15 a.m. (sophomores and juniors)
October 24 – 28	PSSA re-test for seniors scoring <i>basic</i> or <i>below basic</i> on their 11 th grade PSSA test
October 31	Teacher In-Service - Early Dismissal 12:00
November 2	ASVAB Testing (Interested juniors and seniors)
November 15	Financial Aid Night 7:00 p.m.
November 17 and 18	4Sight Testing
November 22	12:00 Dismissal: Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:00 – 8:00 p.m.
	Schools reopen November 29
December 16	High School Holiday Concert 7:00 p.m.
December 22	1:00 Dismissal
	Schools reopen January 3, 2012
January 19 and 20	4Sight Testing
January 16	Early Dismissal 12:00: Teacher In-Service

