

ACT Explore 8, ACT Explore 9, PSAT, SAT, and ACT

The **ACT Explore Test** will be given to all Peninsula School District eighth and ninth grade students this year. This multiple choice test is designed to help students identify areas of academic strength as well as weaknesses in math, English, reading, and science. There is also a career planning section that points students to possible career options. This information is used to prepare students for high school and beyond. The test is published by ACT and gives students experience in taking a college entrance type of an exam.

The testing window for this test: January 19th – February 3rd

Please contact your individual school for specific dates, details, and questions.

The **PSAT** is a testing option for students in their sophomore and junior years. This test is given in October and is considered excellent preparation for the SAT. It has been shown that each time the student takes the PSAT their SAT scores tend to improve significantly. The PSAT in the junior year qualifies students for National Merit Scholarships.

The PSAT dates for 2010 are: October 13th and October 16th

The **SAT** is a national exam that is part of most colleges' admissions process.

The remaining test dates are: January 23rd, March 13th, May 1st, June 5th

The **ACT** is an exam that is part of most colleges' admission process.

The remaining test dates are: February 6th, April 10, June 12th

Students need to work with their high school counselor and possible colleges to determine whether the ACT, SAT, or both tests are right for them.

There are excellent websites for all of these exams that can provide additional information and assistance:

www.collegeboard.com

www.act.org

My Road is also available for all students enrolled in SpringBoard language art courses. Contact your teachers for access information.