

Futures Day

Freshmen

Freshmen:

Wednesday, Oct. 12th, is Futures Day. There are no classes, and you will be taking the EXPLORE test from 9:00 – 12:10. This is a test that will help you explore options for your future and prepare you for the ACT. It has 4 sections (English, Math, Reading, and Science), each of which is 30 minutes long. You will receive a report back that will provide information about your knowledge, skills, interests and plans. This will help you as you plan for future high school courses and beyond. It will also show you how your scores compare with other freshmen across the nation, helping you to see in which areas you may need extra work.

What should I bring to school on Futures Day?

- ✓ 2-3 #2 Pencils (with good erasers) NOTE: Mechanical pencils not allowed!
- ✓ Scientific or Graphing Calculator – you must have your own. No sharing allowed!
- ✓ Bottle of water
- ✓ A book or some homework to do if you have extra time (NO talking allowed).
- ✓ A sweatshirt or sweater in case you get cold

Reminders:

- ❖ Testing begins promptly at 9:00, so report to your assigned room at 8:55 am.
- ❖ There will be one break mid-morning. Please be quiet in the halls, so you don't disturb students still testing.
- ❖ These calculators are prohibited:
 - Pocket organizers
 - Calculators with paper tape
 - Handheld or laptop computers or electronic writing pads
 - Calculators built into cell phones
 - QWERTY format types of calculators
 - Casio: Algebra fx 2.0, ClassPad 300, ClassPad 330, and all model #s that begin w/CFX-9970G
 - Texas Instruments: All model #s that begin w/TI-89 or TI-92; and the TI-Nspire CAS (non-CAS is permitted)
 - Hewlett Packard: HP 48GII and all model #s that begin w/HP 40G HP 49G, and HP 50G.

Schedule: Report to your Room 140 at 8:55 a.m., ready to begin testing.

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Sophomores

Sophomores:

Wednesday, Oct. 12th, is Futures Day. There are no classes, and you will be taking the ASVAB test from 9:00 – 12:10. The ASVAB is the most widely used multiple-aptitude test battery in the world. The ASVAB results are indicators of a student's abilities in different areas, as well as what sort of careers might fit them best.

“Several composite scores are formed from different combinations of ASVAB test scores. Three composites, or Career Exploration Scores, are provided specifically to help students engage in career exploration. These scores help students to get a good sense of their verbal, math, and science and technical skills compared to other students in the same grade” (www.asvabprogram.com).

What should I bring to school on Futures Day?

- ✓ The military reps who are administering the test will provide you with sharpened pencils and erasers, as well as scratch paper. No calculators are allowed on this exam.
- ✓ Bottle of water
- ✓ A book or some homework to do if you have extra time (NO talking allowed).
- ✓ A sweatshirt or sweater in case you get cold

Reminders:

- ❖ Testing begins promptly at 9:00, so report to your assigned room at 8:55 am.
- ❖ There will be one break mid-morning. Please be quiet in the halls, so you don't disturb students still testing.

Schedule: Report to the Commons at 8:55 am, ready to begin testing.

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Juniors

Juniors:

Wednesday, Oct. 12th, is Futures Day. There are no classes, and you will be taking the PSAT/NMSQT from 9:00 – 12:10. Juniors will be given a practice booklet in early September to help them prepare. The PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) is a program co-sponsored by the College Board and National Merit Scholarship Corporation, and, for many students, is the first official step on the road to college. It assesses skills developed through years of study in a wide range of courses as well as through experiences outside the classroom.

The PSAT/NMSQT also provides all test-takers with access to MyRoad, the College Board's online majors, college, and career exploration program to allow you to begin college and career planning. Plus, students who score high may qualify for the National Merit Scholarship Competition.

Students take the PSAT/NMSQT to:

- ❖ Help assess academic skills necessary for college-level work
- ❖ Prepare for the SAT (& ACT)
- ❖ Enter Competitions for National Scholarships
- ❖ Receive information from colleges
- ❖ Begin college and career planning

What should I bring to school on Futures Day?

- ✓ 2-3 #2 Pencils (with good erasers) NOT mechanical pencils!
- ✓ Scientific or Graphing Calculator – you must have your own. No sharing allowed!
- ✓ Bottle of water
- ✓ A book or some homework to do if you have extra time (NO talking allowed).
- ✓ A sweatshirt or sweater in case you get cold

Reminders:

- ❖ Testing begins promptly at 9:00, so report to your assigned room at 8:55 am.
- ❖ Students may only leave the testing room one at a time if they need to use the restroom.
- ❖ These calculators are permitted:
 - Four-function calculator
 - Scientific calculator
 - Graphing calculator

- ❖ Calculators NOT permitted:
 - Pocket organizer
 - Hand-held or laptop computer, electronic writing pad
 - Calculator with a QWERTY keypad
 - Calculator with paper tape or one that makes noise or requires an outlet

Schedule: Report to the room listed below at 8:55 a.m., ready to begin testing.

Room 112: Blaha - Lorfeld

Room 116: Menzer - Yurk