

PREPARE FOR THE FUTURE



Student Services Newsletter Hudson's Bay High School

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Mark Your Calendar . . .

• **Saturday, Oct. 17:** PSAT administered at Hudson's Bay, 7:30-11:15 a.m. This is the only time this year when students in grades 9, 10 and 11 can take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test. Taking the PSAT is a valuable way to practice for the SAT. It's also the only way juniors can attempt to qualify for a National Merit scholarship. Students who plan to attend a four-year college or university are advised to take the PSAT. To register, students should go to the Business Office between Oct. 5-15 and pay the \$22 fee. Checks should be made out to "Hudson's Bay High School."

Seniors heading to 4-year college need SAT or ACT

Seniors who plan to attend a four-year college or university should already have taken the SAT and/or ACT. However, those who have not and those who want to try to improve their score by re-taking one or both of these exams should stop by the Career Center to pick up an application packet *immediately!*

SAT or ACT registration fee waivers are available in the Counseling Center for low-income students.

For test dates and registration deadlines, or to register online, go to www.collegeboard.com or www.actstudent.org.

For more information or applications related to items in this newsletter, contact the Career Center.

Saturday, Nov. 14

ASVAB optional for 11th & 12th

Juniors and seniors in the Vancouver School District may opt to take the military entrance exam at Hudson's Bay at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 14. Scores from this administration will not be provided to the military. The school will provide interpretation of scores for students in December.

The ASVAB is a multi-part exam that provides each student with the following information:

- An overall score. It determines which branch(es) of the U.S. military would offer him/her enlistment
- An analysis of his/her strengths in academic and vocational subjects. The military uses these scores to determine which technical training program(s) a new recruit is eligible to choose, after completion of "boot camp."

Students who want to take the ASVAB may reserve a spot by contacting the HBHS Career Center.

National College Fair at Portland Center Oct. 25-26

Students interested in attending a four-year college or university and their parents are invited to attend the 27th annual National College Fair in Portland. It will be at the Oregon convention Center Oct. 25 and 26. Admission is free.

The fair features displays hosted by admissions officers from more than 300 schools from around the nation. Also, sessions will be offered on the following topics: "Understanding the Admissions Process;" "Paying for College and Explaining Financial Aid;" "How to Search, Apply and Compete for Scholarships," and "Writing Essays for College Admission."

The fair will operate from 1:00-5:00 p.m. on October 25 and from 9:00 a.m.-noon on Oct. 26. The convention center is at 777 NE Martin L. King, Jr. Blvd.

For more information about this event, go to www.oregoncc.org or call 1-800-791-2250.

Career Center has scholarship information, applications

Are you concerned about being able to pay for higher education for your son or daughter?

The Career Center offers financial aid and scholarship information and distributes application forms to students who request them. Most scholarships are for seniors; however, a few cash-awarding contests and scholarships are open to younger students.

Scholarships are awarded for a variety of reasons: good grades, athletic achievement, community service, leadership, special talents, ethnicity, church affiliation, etc.

On a regular basis, students should check the scholarship bulletins posted outside of the library or on the bulletin board outside of the Career Center. If a student wants details about a scholarship or contest, he/she is welcome to stop by the Career Center to pick up a copy of the application.

Seniors should apply for federal financial aid in January.

Many pamphlets, books, and website addresses about financial aid and scholarships are available to students and parents in the Career Center.