

Ladywood High School Counseling Department

Juniors

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Your guide to navigating the 11th grade

Ladywood High School Guidance Department

Counselor Breakdown

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Ladywood's School Code: 232-355

Ladywood High School's code for the ACT and SAT

PSAT Test in October

The PSAT test will be given on October 12th from 7:25am-11:30am. Materials will be distributed. Please take the time to review the test questions and become familiar with the test beforehand.

- There is no fee for this test
- Helpful test hints:
 - Get plenty of sleep the night before the test
 - Follow directions exactly, and don't be afraid to ask questions
 - Mark your answer folder carefully. Fill in the ovals neatly.
 - Don't spend too much time on any single questions. For hard ones, choose the answer you think is best and move on.
- See Standardized Testing Magic for online practice tests. The link can be found on the Counseling page on the Ladywood website.

Online Resources

www.collegeboard.org

Connects you to the college search database which contains more than 3200 two and four year institutions.

www.petersons.com

Provides educational and career information.

www.fastweb.com

Access information about different scholarships

www.fafsa.ed.gov

Access information about financial aid

College Night: Schoolcraft College

Schoolcraft College will sponsor a college fair on Wednesday, October 5, 2011 from 6-8 pm. This is a great opportunity to visit representatives from a variety of colleges and universities. More than 80 college representatives will be available to help students through the college search process. 7 Big Ten Schools, including U of M and MSU as well as CMU, EMU, WMU, Oakland University, Community Colleges, Technical schools and numerous other public and private colleges and universities from Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana will be in attendance. Plan to attend! For more information, visit the Schoolcraft College web site, at www.schoolcraft.edu.

MyDreamExplorer.org

Career and College searches can be done through the My Dream Explorer online program. This program may be done at home as well in school. This information will allow you to build your Educational Development Plan (EDP). Please continue updating this information using your usernames and passwords from last year. Please see your counselor for assistance if necessary. You will get the chance to work on this website in class.

ConnectEdu.net

The ConnectEdu.net website provides you with information you need to get started on your college search. The site is available to you anytime, anywhere via the Internet. It will help you get an idea of where you should start, as well as conduct your own college, scholarship and career searches. The link is on Ladywood's website on the counseling page. Please use your user names and passwords from last year. Please see your counselor for assistance if necessary.

How to prepare for the ACT/SAT tests

- 1) Read the test-taking tips contained in the booklet "Taking the SAT I", or "Preparing for the ACT Assessment". Be sure to pick up a copy from the Guidance Office.
- 2) Review all the registration materials thoroughly; go over the sample questions of each subtest, and familiarize yourself with the directions. Fill in the sample answer sheet.

Complete the practice test and then score it using the answer key in the back. Review and study the questions you missed.

In Closing

Please remember that your junior year grades are an important component in a college's decision to accept your application.