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Important Message for Junior Parents from the Counseling Department:

One of the factors critical to the college admission process is standardized testing. The ACT and the SAT are the two primary standardized tests utilized to assess a student's academic readiness for college. We encourage testing for at least one spring administration during junior year while planning for re-testing, if appropriate, senior year. Additionally, students considering highly selective colleges and universities should also take SAT Subject Tests which are utilized to demonstrate competency in a specific academic area. Please keep in mind that specific testing requirements are dictated by the institutions themselves and you are encouraged to research what those requirements may be.

Registration for tests is completed online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) or [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). Please keep in mind that all testing takes place on Saturday mornings at local high schools. Chagrin Falls High School is **not** a testing location. Registration for tests should take place at least 5-6 weeks in advance of the actual test date to ensure a reservation at your preferred testing location. If your child receives testing accommodations via a Section 504 Plan or an IEP, please contact his or her counselor to discuss the process associated with applying for services with the testing companies.

A state-funded SAT will be administered to all students in the Class of 2019 on March 7th. It is the expectation that all juniors take the SAT on this day. The results from this SAT administration will yield reportable college scores.

We realize that families will have a multitude of concerns and questions to be addressed along the way. Please feel free to access our *College Planning Timeline* via the Counseling page which provides valuable information prepared by our Department to facilitate the process. Lastly, Mrs. Newton and Mrs. Kover can be available for joint student-parent college planning meetings by request during the months of March and April. Parents are encouraged to call Mrs. Hancock to schedule an appointment.

Mrs. Jennifer Newton & Mrs. Faith Kover