ACT News

*November 2017 FPHS Junior Newsletter*

The ACT will be given on **December 9**, here at Fair Play High School. Prior to that time, we will be helping you do some test prep. On the morning of **December 4,** you will have the opportunity to take a “trial” ACT test. Breakfast will be provided prior to the test! Juniors will take the ACT again in April. This is a school day and it is a requirement for all juniors to take it. By taking the test in December—you will have the opportunity to attend an ACT Academy to help you increase your score on the test on the April test date. You must take the ACT in December, however, to be eligible for the ACT Academy this spring.

ACT PREP

Because of our school’s “Free and Reduced Lunch” Program all of you will be eligible for ACT’s ACT Prep Programs: Online Test Prep and also ACT KAPLAN Online Prep. When you register to take the ACT, you will need to indicate that you want the ACT Prep Program.

Find Practice ACT Questions at:

* <http://www.actstudent.org/sampletest/index.html>
* <http://www.actexampracticetests.com/>
* <http://www.number2.com>

Missouri Southern Rep Visit

A representative from Missouri Southern State University will be at Fair Play at 10 a.m. on November 16. If you would like to visit with the representative, pick up a pass from Mrs. G prior to that time.

OTC Allied Health Open House

If you are interested in one of OTC’s Allied Health Programs you might consider attending their open house on Friday, December 1, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. At the Open House, students will be able to learn about the 14 Allied health Associate degrees and certificate programs. RSVP as soon as possible to [alliedhealthrsvp@otc.edu](mailto:alliedhealthrsvp@otc.edu).

Career Opportunities with the Department of Natural Resources

A State Park Ranger from the Dept. of Natural Resources will be here to speak on Thursday, November 16, 6th hour. If you are interested in careers, internships, tuition reimbursement in the areas of forestry, environmental areas, etc., you might want to hear what this speaker has to say. You will need to let me know by November 15th if you want to be excused from class to attend. Space will be limited so it will be on a first come, first get to attend basis.

A+ College List

To see a list of the 2-year colleges and technical schools that accept the A+ Scholarship go to <https://dhe.mo.gov/documents/EligibleAplusPostsecondayrSchools.pdf>

Missouri Connections

Wondering what you want to be when you grow up? Been thinking about what college would be best for you? Want to look for scholarship opportunities? The website Missouri Connections can help you in all these areas plus much more. If you have any questions or issues with using this site, let me know!

* Go to [www.missouriconnections.org](http://www.missouriconnections.org)
* Log in with: fp and then your student number
* Password is Hornet#1
* Create a Portfolio and you can “save” your research.

Selective Service Registration

All males are required by the Federal Government to register with Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Now, 17 year-old males can submit their registration information early on the Internet ([www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov)), or by filling out a form available from any post office. Selective Service registration is required to be eligible for a federal student loan, job training, most federal jobs, and U.S. citizenship.

NCAA Clearinghouse

If you plan to compete in college level athletics (Division I or Division II) you will need to meet the academic eligibility and core-course requirements as determined by the NCAA Clearinghouse. Go to [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org) for more information.

Scholarship Opportunities

* FREE SPEECH ESSAY CONTEST. This essay contest awards up to $10,000 for first prize for winning essays regarding free speech. For more info go to <https://www.thefire.org/student-network/essay-contest/>. **Deadline is December 31.**
* JOHN F. KENNEDY ESSAY CONTEST. The John F. Kennedy Library Foundation invites students to write an original essay on the political courage of a U.S. elected official as described by John F. Kennedy in Profiles in Courage. For more information on this contest go to <http://www.jfklibrary.org/Education/Profile-in-Courage-Essay-Contest.aspx>. **Deadline is January 4.**
* AYN RAND CONTEST. This essay contest will award cash prizes ranging from $50 to $10,000 for 255 winners. Applicants must read The Fountainhead by Ayn Rand and write an essay. For more information go to [www.aynrand.org/contests#thefountainhead-1](http://www.aynrand.org/contests#thefountainhead-1).

**Deadline is May 15.**

Scholarship Resources:

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.studentscholarships.org](http://www.studentscholarships.org)

[www.mappingyourfuture.org](http://www.mappingyourfuture.org)