The Bluffton High School Counseling Department Welcomes you to the Class of 2020 Junior Parent Night! October 30, 2018

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Tonight's Agenda:

- Ensuring high school success
 - Graduation Requirements
 - Early Graduation Policy
- Dual Enrollment
- College and Career Readiness
 Measurements
- College Applications
 - NCAA Eligibility Center

- Naviance
 - Researching Colleges
 - Requesting transcripts through Naviance.
 - The College Application Process on Naviance
 - Scholarship searches
- Standardized Tests for College Admissions
- FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid

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South Carolina High School Graduation Requirements

- English 4 units
- Social Studies 3 units
 - One Elective unit
 - US History & Constitution
 - US Government/Economics
- Math 4 units
- Science 3 units

- World Language 1 unit
- Physical Education 1 unit
- Computer Technology 1 unit
- Elective Credits 7 units
 - Visual Arts
 - Performing Arts
 - Career and Technology Education
 - Physical Education/JROTC



South Carolina College Entrance Requirements

- English 4 units
- Social Studies 3 units
 - One Elective unit
 - US History & Constitution
 - US Government/Economics
- Math 4 units
- Science 4 units
 - <u>3 Lab Sciences</u> to include Biology, Chemistry, Anatomy, Marine Science, AP Sciences

- World Language 2-3 units
- Physical Education 1 unit
- Computer Technology 1 unit
- Elective Credits 7 units
 - Visual/Performing Arts
 - Career and Technology Education
 - Physical Education/JROTC



Beaufort County School District Early Graduation Policy

In order to be considered for early graduation, the student must meet the following criteria

- The student and parent must make the request for a change in classification and early graduation in writing to the principal indicating the reason(s) the request is being made by the last day of 1st quarter (October 2019) for fall (December 2019) graduates.
- The student and parent must confer with a school counselor for advisement on advanced courses and electives which relate to the student's career goals.
- The student must have been enrolled in high school for at least two years.
- The student must have earned credits in English I, II, and III prior to making the request. English IV is the only English course allowed in the final year.
- The student must have earned at least 18 credits or be able to take the number of credits in his/her final year to equal the number of required credits for high school graduation without having to enroll in correspondence courses.
- Students must meet College and Career Readiness Measures

The counselor must submit a recommendation to the principal for a final decision.



"Early Graduate" Pro's & Cons

Early Graduate Pro's

- Pro: You can begin college in the Spring of Senior year
- Pro: You can join the military and leave for boot-camp in the spring
- Pro: If you received licensure through ACE, you can begin your career in the field you studied.
- Pro: Students are permitted to participate in all senior activities and commencement in Spring of 2020.

Early Graduate Con's

- Con: Students will not be included in the class rank, therefore possibly affecting the student's ability to qualify for state-supported scholarships.
- Con: Students will lose the opportunity to participate in Dual Enrollment
- Con: Students will not be permitted to take part in any organized school activity such as athletics, clubs and field trips



Beaufort County School District Dual Enrollment Requirements

Technical College of the Lowcountry

- Must be enrolled in a BCSD High School
- 3.0 **<u>Unweighted</u>** Grade Point Average
- ACT
 - 18 English/21 Reading
 - 22 Math
- SAT
 - 540 English
 - 480 Math
- Accuplacer Test (See your counselor for test score requirements for placement)

USC-Beaufort

- Must be enrolled in a BCSD High School
- 3.0 <u>Unweighted</u> Grade Point Average
- ACT
 - 18 English/21 Reading
 - 22 Math
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 - 540 English
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College and Career Readiness Measurements

College Readiness Measures

- Scores a composite score of 20 or higher on the ACT composite;
- Scores a composite score of 1020 or higher on the SAT composite;
- Scores a 3 or higher on an Advanced Placement (AP)
 exam in English, mathematics, science or social studies
 or an AP capstone.
- Completes at least six (6) credit hours in dual enrollment courses in an English or mathematics course or STEM course with a grade of C or higher. STEM is defined as a natural/lab science or computer science

Career Readiness Measures

- Is a CATE completer and, where applicable, earns a national industry credential as determined by the business community.
- Earns a Silver, Gold or Platinum National Career Readiness Certificate on the WorkKeys exam;
- Earns a scale score of 31 or higher on the ASVAB



College Applications

- All college applications will be completed online through the college or university website. You will be applying as a first-time freshman!
- Complete your applications in a timely manner. Remember, Counselors recommend that you complete your applications on or before October 31^{st.}
- Make sure someone reads over your application before you submit it.
 Remember to use proper grammar, capitalization, punctuation, etc.
- Have your SAT/ACT scores sent to the colleges through the testing agency.
 Colleges <u>will not</u> accept SAT/ACT scores from our office!
- If you used a fee-waiver for the SAT, you can access your four (4) college application fee waivers on your Collegeboard account, <u>after</u> taking the SAT.
- Once you submit your application, request your transcript to be sent to the college/university through Naviance.
- If you plan on playing Division I or Division II sports in college, you must register at www.EligibilityCenter.org and have your test scores sent to the NCAA through the testing agencies.

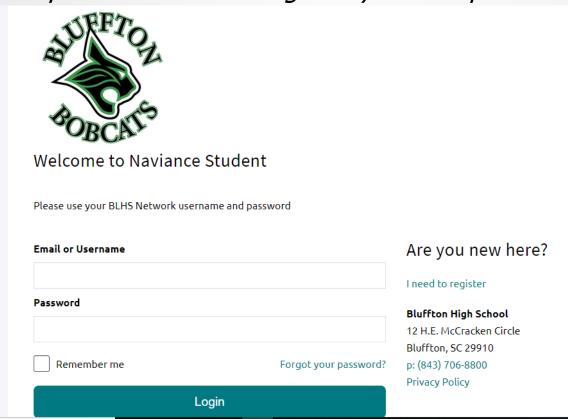


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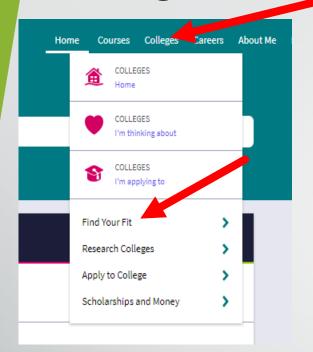
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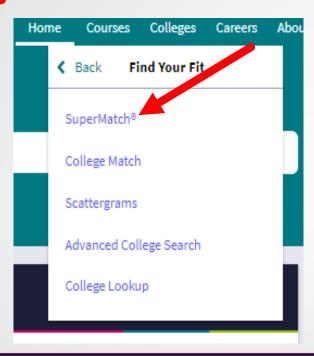
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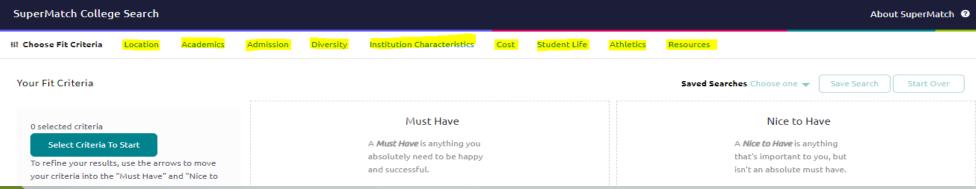


College Research

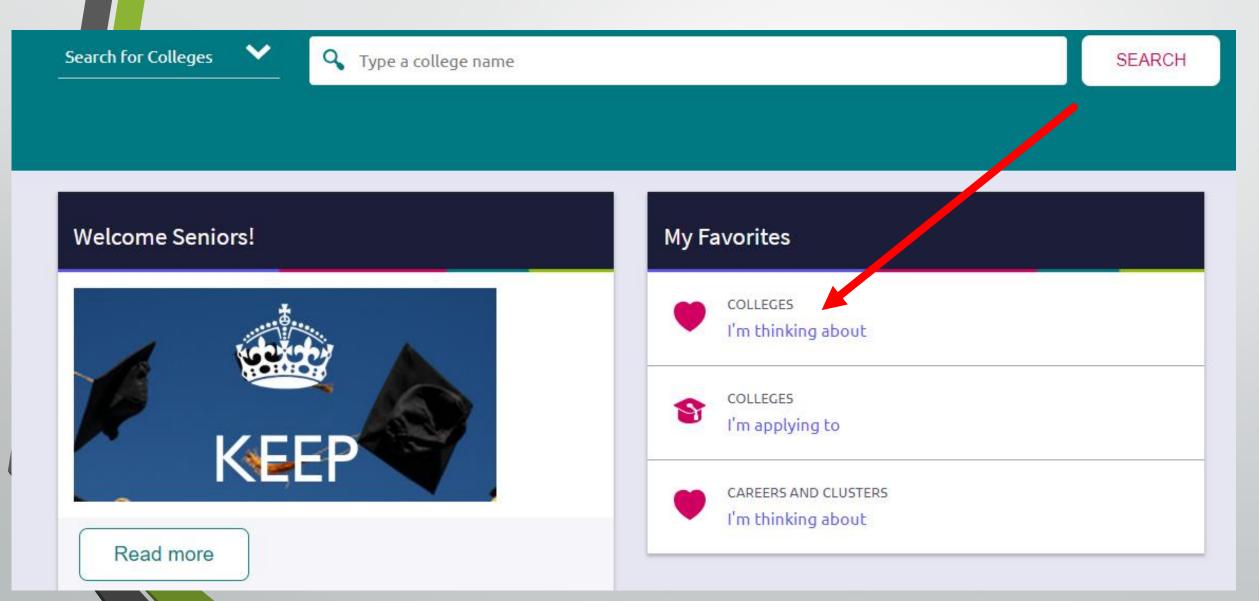




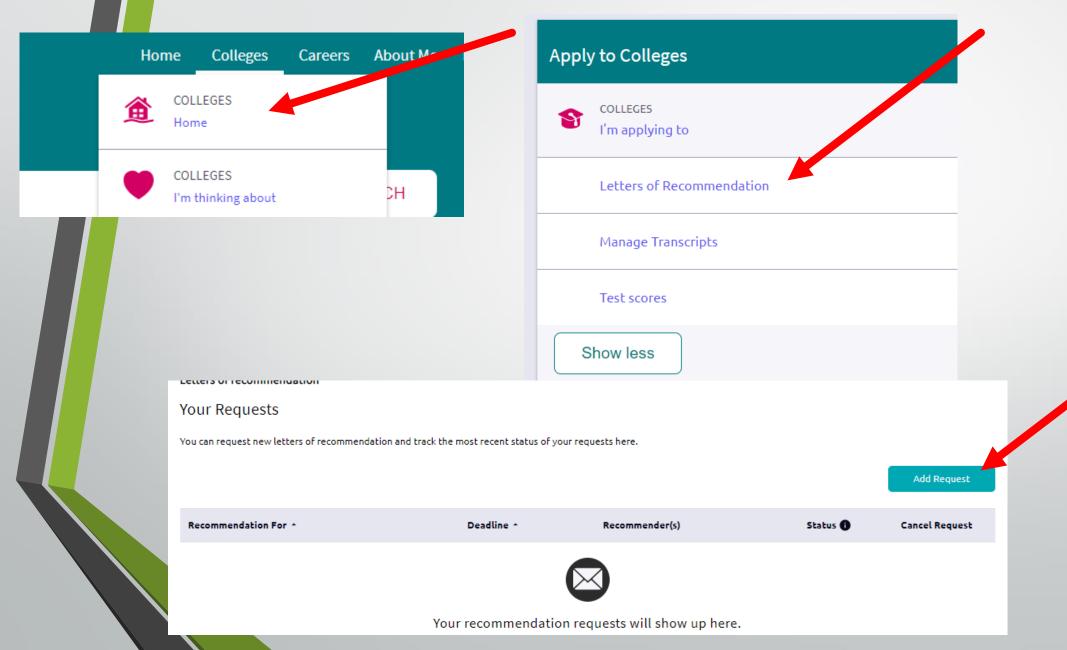
- 1. Colleges Tab
- 2. Find your Fit
- Search colleges though available options
 - SuperMatch allows you to narrow colleges by highlighted criteria



Step 1: Add colleges to "Colleges I'm Thinking About"



Requesting Letters of Recommendation



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Letters of recommendation

Add new request

Here you can ask a teacher to write you a letter of recommendation. If you don't have any colleges in your list yet, you may still make a request. Make sure you give your teachers plenty of time to write your recommendations!

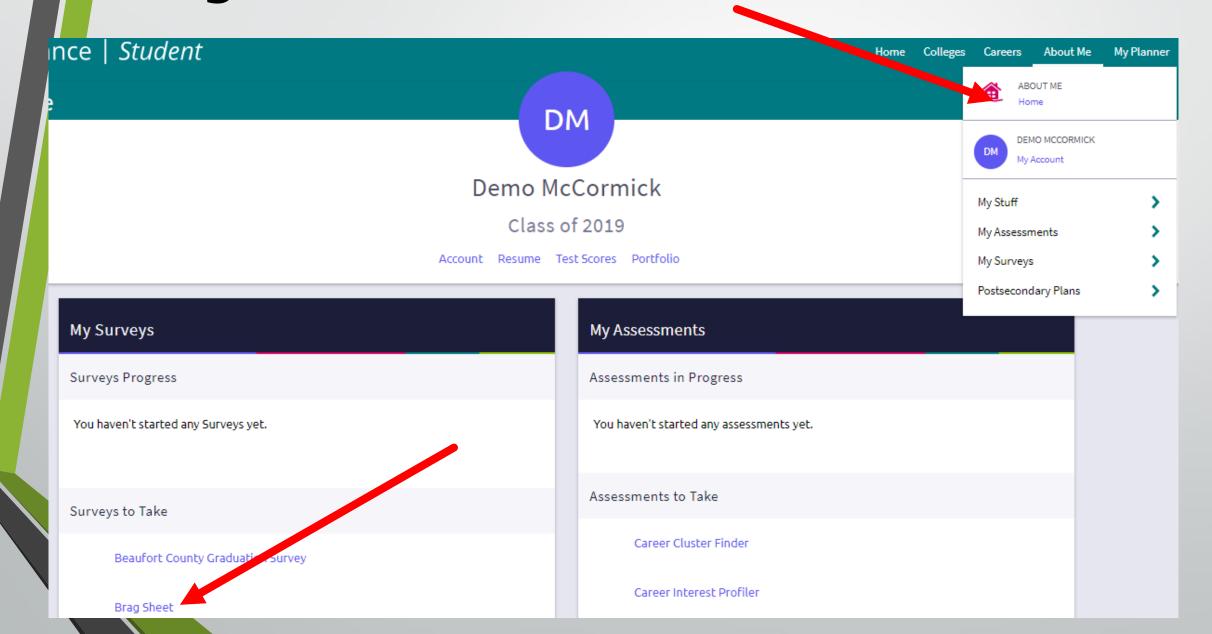


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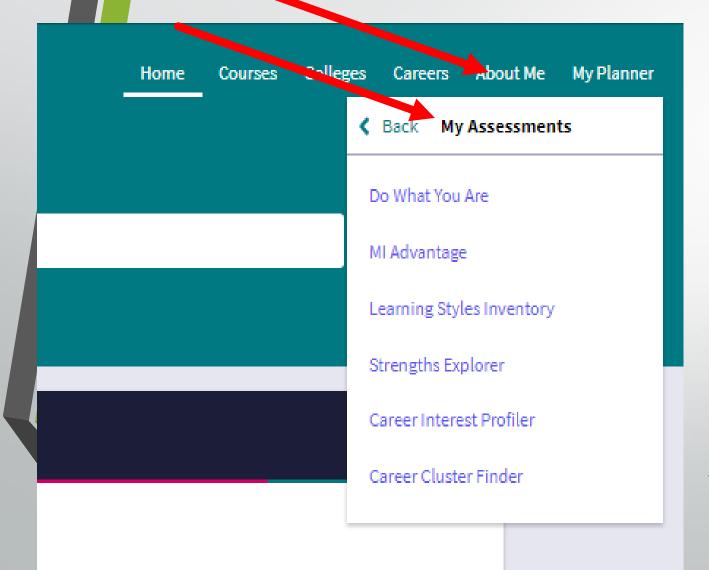


- Select which colleges this request is for:*
 - Choose specific colleges from your Colleges I'm Applying To list
 Looks like you don't have colleges in your Colleges I'm Applying To list yet. Click here to add.
 - All current and future colleges I add to my Colleges I'm Applying To list
- 3. Include a personal note to remind your recommender about your great qualities and any specifics about your request:

Brag Sheet – ALL Juniors

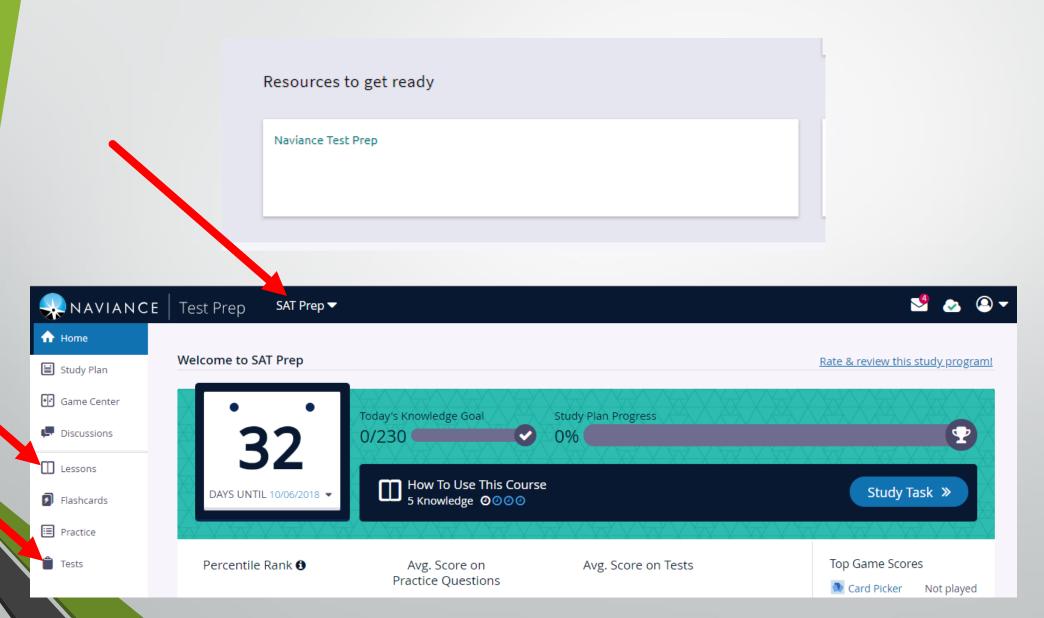


Inventories



- **Do what You Are**: is a personality type assessment. It reveals information about a student's strengths and blind spots, recommended career paths and college majors, as well as tips for conducting the most effective career search.
- MI Advantage: Multiple Intelligence theory to reveal students' individual intelligence strengths and challenges, such as bodily-kinesthetic, musical, or interpersonal intelligences.
- **Learning Styles Inventory**: diagnoses students' unique learning styles based on an analysis of their personal preferences in 16 different areas.
- **Strengths Explorer**: is a strengths assessment that assesses 10 talent themes for individuals and identifies each student's three strongest emerging talents.
 - Career Interest Profiler: are online career interest assessments for students based on Holland interest codes.
- Career Cluster Finder: is an online questionnaire that helps students discover career industries that are most interesting to them.

Naviance Test Prep



Misc

Resources to get ready

Naviance Test Prep

Document Resources

From my school

LINKS

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Naviance Test Prep 📝

FAQ AP Scores-Credit 🗹

Common App Matching 2

Homecoming Survey 🗗

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Freshman SC Vote 🗹

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CommonApp 🗹

Khan Academy 🕜

Naviance "How-To"

From My School

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College Essay Tips. USC

Naviance Test Prep

FAQ AP Scores-Credit

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Admission Types

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College Entrance Exams

** Fee Waivers are available for students who receive free or reduced lunch

The SAT

- Focuses on the skills and knowledge at the heart of education.
- Measures what you've learned in High School
- The test is mostly multiple choice and is intended to measure how successful as student can perform at the college level.
- The SAT includes math, verbal, and writing sections.

The ACT

- Assesses areas of the curriculum in which the student has been exposed to in his or her high school career.
- The test is mostly multiple choice and is intended to measure how successful as student can perform at the college level.
- English, mathematics, science, reading, and writing are all covered on the ACT.

Scores must be sent to Colleges, Universities and the NCAA Clearinghouse **through the testing agencies**



SAT Test Dates Register at <u>www.collegeboard.org</u>

Test Date	Registration Deadline
March 9, 2019	February 8, 2019
May 4, 2019	April 5, 2019
June 1, 2019	May 2, 2019
August 24, 2019	July 26, 2019 (est)
October 5, 2019	September 6, 2019 (est)
November 2, 2019	October 25, 2019 (est)
December 7, 2019	November 15, 2019 (est)
March 14, 2020	February 8, 2020 (est)
May 2, 2020	April 1, 2020 (est)
June 6, 2020	May 22, 2020 (est)

Students can test for free on March 27, 2019!!



ACT Test Dates Register at <u>www.actstudent.org</u>

Test Date	Registration Deadline
February 9, 2019	January 11, 2019
April 13, 2019	March 8, 2019
June 8, 2019	May 3, 2019
July 13, 2019	June 14, 2019
September 14, 2019	August 9, 2019 (est)
October 26, 2019	September 27, 2019 (est)
December 14, 2019	November 8, 2019 (est)
February 8, 2020	January 10, 2020 (est)
April 4, 2020	March 1, 2020 (est)

Students can test for free on March 12, 2019!!



Free Application for Federal Student Aid

FAFSA.ed.gov



The 2020-2021 FAFSA application opens up October 1, 2019. You will need your 2018 tax returns to complete the application.



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Scholarships

- Naviance has over 200 scholarships listed at any given time.
- Students are encouraged to create an account on <u>www.Fastweb.com</u> to receive information on scholarship opportunities.
- Other scholarship search engines include <u>www.collegeboard.org</u>, <u>www.scholarships.com</u>, <u>www.finaid.com</u>, <u>www.ScholarshipOwl.com</u>, <u>www.hsf.net</u>
- You <u>must</u> apply for financial aid, FAFSA, to receive State Funded Lottery Scholarships (Palmetto Fellows, LIFE, HOPE)



Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)

- The ASVAB is a timed multi-aptitude test, which is given at over 14,000 schools and Military Entrance Processing Stations (MEPS) nationwide and is developed and maintained by the Department of Defense.
- Your scores in four critical areas -- Arithmetic Reasoning, Word Knowledge, Paragraph Comprehension and Mathematics Knowledge count towards your Armed Forces Qualifying Test (AFQT) score. The AFQT score determines whether you're qualified to enlist in the U.S. military.
- Your scores in the other areas of the ASVAB will determine how qualified you are for certain military occupational specialties and Enlistment Bonuses. A high score will improve your chances of getting the specialty/job and signing bonus you want.
 - October 24, 2018
 - February 13, 2019
 - April 10, 2019

Upcoming Events

- Sign up for Class of 2020 Remind Text @blh2020 to 81010
- November-December Junior IGP Meetings (sign up online)
- November 7, 2018 Financial Aid Workshop
- November 15, 2018 Dual Enrollment Application Deadline
- November 29, 2018 Dual Enrollment Registration Deadline
- February 13, 2019 ASVAB Test Administration
- March 12, 2019 ACT Administration at Bluffton High School
- March 27, 2019 SAT Administration at Bluffton High School
- April, 2019 WIN Testing. Date to be determined
- April 10, 2019 ASVAB Test Administration

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