

December 6, 2019



Downingtown East Weekly Updates from the Principal...

PSAT Scores To Be Released This Month

PSAT scores will become available online sometime between December 9th and 11th through your student's College Board account. The College Board will email students an access code to view their online score reports to the email address they provided when they tested. If they can't remember their password or have trouble logging in, College Board has a helpline that they can call: 888-225-5427.

Best practice is for students to log onto their own College Board accounts to check their scores. This is important not only to make sure each student has access to their account, but to also get more detailed information about their PSAT score report. By doing so, not only can they view their scores, but also benchmarks as defined by College Board's standards of college and career readiness, as well as summaries of their performance on each test and content area. The score report includes their overall composite score, as well as their score on each section (Reading, Writing and Language, and Math). The score reports have an extremely detailed breakdown of their strengths and weaknesses, and there are percentile rankings to see where they stand compared to students nationwide, both overall and for specific skills.

After students and their families view how they have done, College Board has partnered with the Khan Academy to provide students with a personalized SAT Study Plan based on questions they answered incorrectly or omitted on the PSAT. They can review those questions and then access other SAT practice questions to help prepare for the SAT. There is also a personality profiler to help match them up with college majors and careers, and a feature that matches them with colleges they may be interested in, based on their potential SAT scores and desired college location and size.

In addition to online score access, test books and paper score reports will be distributed in English classes once they arrive in the building. This will provide students the opportunity to review their exam with the specific questions that were correct and incorrect to help determine what content they should spend more time reviewing in preparation for next year's PSAT or the SAT.

For more information about understanding your PSAT/NMSQT score report, go to:

<https://collegereadiness.College Board.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/scores/understanding-scores>

Upcoming Activities:

12/11 – Early Dismissal for students at 12:40 pm – Professional Development for faculty.

12/13 – Winter Chorus Concert at 7pm in Auditorium.

12/17 – Winter Orchestra Concert at 7pm in Auditorium.

12/23 – Schools closed for winter holiday – school reopens Thursday, January 2nd.

1/8 – Winter Band Concert at 7pm in Auditorium.

General Announcements:

1. Any student interested in learning more about **Naval ROTC** & careers in the nuclear field are invited to meet with our Navy representative on **Tuesday, December 10th, 4th period**. Sign up on Naviance or email Mrs. Wick at cwick@dasd.org if you want to attend.

2. Revolution Prep is offering live webinars for the PSAT! There is no cost to register for these informational sessions on how students can start investing time and effort today to increase scores and confidence for future exams such as the ACT and SAT. They will also cover how tests such as the PSAT fit into the larger college admission picture so that students can best balance the competing interests of grades, testing, and extracurricular activities. Choose from one of the following dates: December 12th, December 18th, or January 8th. For more information, contact Hope Goldberger at 267.776.4098 or hope.goldberger@revolutionprep.com. Register for an upcoming webinar at www.revolutionprep.com/webinars.

- 3. On December 17th we will host a **Doctor of Pharmacy** student from the University of Pittsburgh, Nikitha Yagnala, during all four lunches. If you are interested in learning more about this major, stop by the Library during your lunch period. Sign up in the Counseling Department or email Mrs. Wick at cwick@dasd.org so we have a head count.
- 4. **JUNIORS and SENIORS**...On **Thursday, December 19th**, meet some of our awesome D-town East grads who will return to campus 8th period to share their college experience, majors, and offer advice to you! Sign up on Naviance or email Mrs. Wick in the Career Center if you would like to meet the College Alumni Panel – cwick@dasd.org.
- 5. The **Henrietta Hankin Library** needs volunteers to assist with STEM programs for K-5th graders on the **first three Thursdays in December** from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. Contact Susan Walraed if you are interested at swalraed@ccls.org.
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Senior Announcements:

- 1. **Attention All 18 year-old males:** Please remember to sign up for the U.S. Selective Service System: it takes 45 seconds to register online at [SSS.gov](https://www.sss.gov) and it is the law! Online and print material is available at <https://www.sss.gov/Resources/Resources>
- 2. **Seniors...Very Important...**Please Check your yearbook name and quote spelling. A link has been sent to you on schoology with directions. The deadline is Wednesday December 11th. Contact Mr. Scheuer or Mr. McGraw with any questions. jscheuer@dasd.org & jmcgraw@dasd.org

Graduation Projects:

- 1. **West Bradford Little League** needs someone to help manage the snack bar for baseball season April-June. Help with opening and closing the snack bar, inventory, stocking and sales. Contact Keli Laverty if you are interested at kelilaverty@gmail.com or 610-350-8748.
- 2. **Need a Grad Project?** If you love animals consider volunteering at **Spay and Save**, an animal rescue in Chester County that needs help with cage maintenance, website help, fostering cats or dogs, adoption events. And more. Check out www.spayandsave.org and/or contact them at thankyou@spayandsave.org.

Attention Sophomores & Juniors...

- 1. Registration for Pennsylvania Free Enterprise Week (PFEW) is NOW open! This is a great summer opportunity to learn about leadership, explore different careers in the business world and connect with business leaders across the state. Thanks to generous donors the cost for the week on a college campus is only \$295 and scholarships are available. Visit <http://www.pfew.org> for more details!!! Also, this would make a great graduation project!!

Employment Opportunities:

- 1. Coming SOON to Downingtown!! **Barndawgs** will be serving gourmet hot dogs and they need part-time help. Email Barney@barndawgs.com if you are interested.
- 2. **Five Guys Burgers and Fries** will be opening soon in their new location in the Brandywine Square Shopping Center. All shifts are needed, competitive pay is offered as well as bonuses and tips. Interested students should email rockham1923@rockham.com.
- 3. In preparation for the **2020 Census**, applications are now open for Census takers. You must be 18 to apply, and the pay is \$19.50 per hour. For more details and application information visit www.2020census.gov/jobs.
- 4. **Sierra** in the Fairfield Shopping Center is hiring! Apply at jobs.tjx.com and search by keyword 237468!
- 5. **Express** in the Exton Square Mall needs seasonal help 5-15 hours per week as sales associates, fitting room stylists and shipment associates. The minimum age is 16 and starting pay is \$9 per hour or \$10 with a year of experience. Express offers flexible scheduling and a 50% off employee discount! Contact Jordan Groh at 610-524-8117 for more information, or visit <https://tinyurl.com/yzkwfbd8>.

- 6. **Board Technician** to assist the Praise Band on Wednesday evenings (6-8 p.m.) and Sunday mornings (8:30-11 a.m.) twice a month. Dates are flexible! The pay is \$10-\$12 per hour. Contact Jan Drury at 610-283-8273 if you are interested!
- 7. Love Animals? **PetValu** in Lionville is hiring customer service representatives! MUST be 18 to apply. Stop in to inquire about joining the team or call 610-524-1253.
- 8. **The Medicine Shoppe** pharmacy in Guthriesville needs part-time help Monday-Friday from 4-7 p.m. and weekend shifts are Saturdays 9-3 and Sundays 10-2. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in pharmacy or healthcare — must be 16! If you are interested stop by for an application or call 610-269-7368 and ask for Diana.
- 9. **Colonial Woods Personal Care Home** in Glenmoore needs a part-time cook available 4-8 p.m. during the week or weekends. Prior food handling experience preferred but will train! Salary is \$11-11.25 per hour. Contact Michael Corkran at michaelcorkran1@gmail.com. For more information on Colonial Woods visit www.colonialwoodspersonalcare.com.
- 10. Are you artistic, detail-oriented and love teaching others?? **Board and Brush Creative Studio in Downingtown** is hiring assistants to help customers with their wood projects. MUST be 16 to apply and available evenings and weekends. Email downingtowntown@boardandbrush.com, include your resume or background, availability and feel free to include a fun random fact about yourself!
- 11. **Bright Light Early Learning Center** in Chester Springs, a pre-school and day care, is looking for teacher assistants after school from 3-6 p.m. a few days a week. You must be 18! Please contact Miss Dawn at 610-458-5428 or dawn@brightlightelc.com.
- 12. **UPS** is hiring package handlers in their West Chester facility. Two shifts are available: 4-9 a.m. or 6-10 p.m. \$14 / hour, up to \$5,250 per year in tuition reimbursement, full medical benefits after 9 months, retirement benefits and opportunities for promotion. Apply online at: upsjobs.com or text UPSJOBS to 33588.
- 13. **Uno's Pizzeria & Grill** in Exton is hiring servers and hosts. Students must have weekend availability. Servers must be 18 and Hosts must be 16. NO experience necessary and schedules are flexible. Apply in person, and immediate interviews available 2-4 p.m. daily at 8 N. Pottstown Pike, Exton, PA 19341.
- 14. The **Downingtowntown Bowling Palace** is accepting applications for Party Host and Hostess positions. Hours are flexible, fun atmosphere and a chance to learn customer service skills. Must be 16 years or older to apply. **Apply in person at 977 E. Lancaster Avenue in Downingtown.**
- 15. **WIZE Computing Academy** is looking for a part-time computing and technology teaching assistant to help the lead teacher with children ages 4-12 and their projects designed to extend STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math) learning. Contact: Dipika Sarkar at dipika.sarkar@wizeacademy.com or 484.238.5543.
- 16. **Home Sense in Exton** is hiring 10-15 part time associates with average hours 16-29 per week. Interviews onsite welcome. Or contact Danielle Buchter, District Manager, at Danielle.Buchter@TJX.com.

DE Home & School News!

- 1. The Home and School Association is bringing back the **SPRING CRAFT SHOW** after a 2-year hiatus! If interested in volunteering for this event, please email Paula Comber at: pecomber@verizon.net today! A kick-off meeting will be scheduled shortly. Historically, this has been the only fundraiser for Home and School. Stay tuned and like our Facebook Page for more information: Downingtown East Home and School.

Athletics – Varsity Teams – Go Cougars!

- 12/6** – Boys' Basketball Tip-Off vs. Conestoga at Unionville at 5:30 pm
- 12/10** – Girls' Basketball at PW at 5:30 pm
- 12/11** – Swimming vs. Great Valley at 3:30 pm
- 12/12** – Boys' Basketball vs. West Chester East at 5:30 pm

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12/13 – Girls’ Indoor Track at Lehigh at 6:30 pm

12/14 – Wrestling Bangor Invitational at Noon.

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12/14 – Girls’ Basketball vs. Berwick at 1pm

BIOLOGY KEYSTONE REVIEW SESSIONS

Sessions will run from 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm

Students are encouraged to come with questions regarding the topic being reviewed.

DATE	CONTENT TO BE COVERED
Monday, December 2 nd	A1 – Basic Biological Principles
Thursday, December 5 th	B1 – Cell and Cell Division
Monday, December 9 th	A4 – Homeostasis & Cell Transport
Thursday, December 12 th	B2 - Genetics
Monday, December 16 th	B3 - Evolution
Thursday, December 19 th	B4 - Ecology
Thursday, January 2 nd	A3 - Bioenergetics
Monday, January 6 th	A2 - Chemical Basis of Life

Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/debiology>

Or use the QR code:





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November, 2019

TO: Students and Parents of the Class of 2021

FROM: Jill Whalen, Assistant Principal

SUBJECT: SAT Prep Classes

Downingtown High School East Campus will again be offering courses to assist students with preparation for the upcoming Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). College-bound juniors typically take the SAT in the spring of their junior year and may repeat the exam in the fall of their senior year if necessary.

TEST INFORMATION: Spring, 2020 SAT test dates are **March 14th and May 2nd** at Downingtown High School West Campus. The **test center code** is 39228. You can register for the SAT online at www.collegeboard.com. Use the **school code** 391341 to indicate attendance at DHS-East.

SAT PREP CLASS INFORMATION: Students can take SAT Prep classes on the day/dates below at DHS-East. The class times are listed on the Registration Form attached. It is not possible to attend both a Math and a Verbal class during the same time slot on a single day, choose one Math class and one Verbal class per time slot. Each class will meet six times, as indicated here.

Monday Class Dates	January 13, 27; February 3, 10, 24; March 2
Tuesday Class Dates	January 21, 28; February 4, 11, 18, 25
Thursday Class Dates	January 23, 30; February 6, 20, 27; March 5

Class size is limited, so EARLY registration is recommended.

The registration fee is \$60.00 per course (each course meets six times, see above dates).
An SAT Verbal/Math practice book is included in the price of each course.

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SAT Prep Class Registration Form

Class size is limited so **EARLY** registration is recommended. The registration fee is \$60.00 per course (each course meets six times, see dates on other page).

**Please return this completed registration form and payment
to the Main Office / Mrs. Whalen. Deadline for registration is **December 13, 2019.****

Student Name _____

Homeroom # _____

Telephone # _____

Student Email _____

Parent Email _____

Circle the day(s) and course(s) in which you want to be enrolled**.

VERBAL Courses	Monday 3pm – 5pm	Monday 6pm – 8pm	Thursday 3pm - 5pm
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

MATH Courses	Tuesday 3pm – 5pm	Thursday 3pm – 5pm	Thursday 6pm - 8pm
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

****Please Note: A minimum of 17 students will be needed to hold a class and a maximum of 30 will be allowed per class.**

My check in the amount of \$ _____, payable to **Downingtown Area School District**, is attached.

I understand that **no refund** will be made should I withdraw from the course(s) after the first meeting.

Student Name _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

For Office Use ONLY: Check # _____ Book Issued _____

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**DOWNTOWN EAST HOME &
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WINTER BREAK GIFT CARD COLLECTION

Did you know that there are a
number of D-East Families that
are experiencing food insecurity
and are in need of basic daily
essentials?

**H & S WILL BE COLLECTING GIANT AND TARGET
GIFT CARDS FOR THESE FAMILIES FROM
DECEMBER 1 - DECEMBER 13.**

Cards will be distributed in time for Winter
Break. Please drop cards off to Guidance
Office Attention: Carol Warren

DOWNINGTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

PARENT SPEAKER SERIES

7:00 PM AT DASD CENTRAL OFFICE

SEPTEMBER

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INTERNET SAFETY Learn how to better understand the internet, where kids learn to use it and how to build healthier boundaries.

OCTOBER

15

ACCESSING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES Learn how to access treatment in the community and better understand levels of care.

NOVEMBER

19

MANAGING GRIEF AND LOSS The holidays can be an especially difficult time for those facing grief and loss. Learn tools to help manage your emotions and find support in the community.

JANUARY

21

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS What are the signs of depression and suicide? How can you protect your child? Answer these questions and more while learning best practices to keep your child safe.

FEBRUARY

18

DRUG TRENDS AND VAPING IN YOUTH What are the signs and symptoms of substance use and vaping? Learn how to recognize these behaviors in children and find support.

MARCH

17

ORGANIZATIONAL STRATEGIES FOR YOUTH Learn strategies and tools to help your child reach success inside and outside of the classroom.

APRIL

14

POST-GRADUATION MENTAL HEALTH Learn how to support your child in the transition to college and help them to find access to mental health care during the post-secondary years.

MAY

19

EMBRACING SUMMER! Learn strategies for a successful summer, including ways to manage the summer transition and downtime in order to build inner resources and resilience in our kids.



MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT WWW.DASD.ORG/PARENTSPEAKER

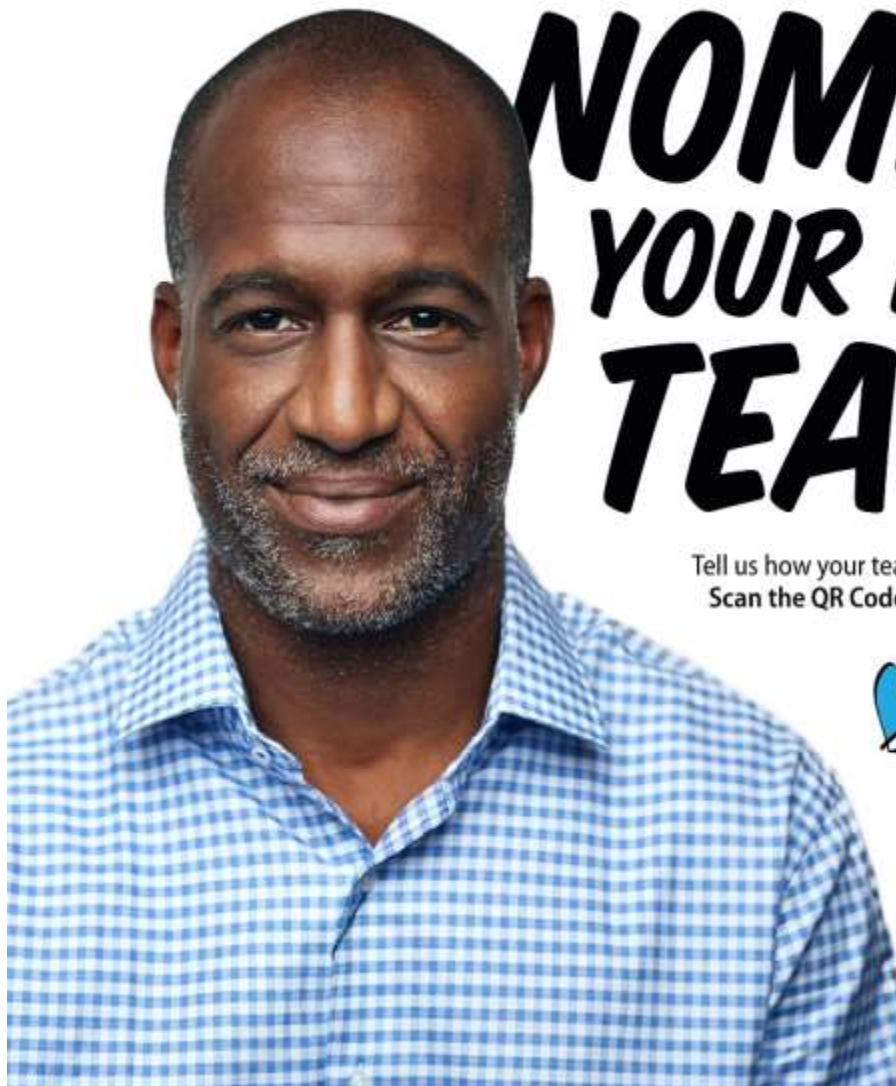
Nominate your favorite teacher: Citadel's Heart of Learning Award!

Honoring Teachers in Chester County!

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The Citadel Heart of Learning Award has recognized over 270 teachers and awarded over \$216,000. We hope you will encourage students, parents, faculty, and administrators to nominate a deserving teacher for this year's program!

All nominations are accepted here: <https://www.citadelbanking.com/giving-back/citadel-heart-of-learning/citadel-heart-of-learning-nomination-form>



NOMINATE YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER!

Tell us how your teacher makes a difference.
Scan the QR Code to nominate a teacher.



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