

TO: Sophomores
FROM: Mrs. Linnell
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SUBJECT: News Especially for You

The PSAT/NMSQT measures critical thinking skills that are important for success in college, including reading, math problem-solving, and writing skills. Take this test enables students to:

- *get feedback about important academic skills
- *seek information from colleges
- *enter scholarship competitions
- *prepare for the SAT Reasoning test
- *initiate the college-planning process

The 2010 PSAT/NMSQT for juniors is the qualifying test that students must take to enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation competitions for college scholarships that will be awarded in 2011. Students who meet published participation requirements, which include taking the PSAT in the specified year of their high school program (usually junior year), will enter NMSC competitions for recognition and awards. Information about NMSC programs, entry requirements, and scholarships to be offered in 2011 can be found at www.nationalmerit.org. Test date will be October 14 at NTCHS. Test fee: \$15.00 per student tested. Register: Register in the high school at 937-2811 by May 20. Based on the responses received by that date, I will register and order materials for our school. Test fee will be paid in the fall.

Summer opportunities:

Montana Natural Resources Youth Camp from July 11 – 16. Apply by June 19. Cost \$175. More information at www.mnryc.org. For assistance call Toole County Conservation District at 406-434-5234, ext. 113, or email marlene.moon@mt.nacdnet.net

REACT 2010 Teen Summit (Montana Tobacco Use Prevention Program) from June 22-24 in Helena. For more information visit www.reACTMT.com

Paint the State contest is open to teens ages 13-18. Must be original work of art, be displayed publicly and have a strong anti-meth message. Deadline June 30. Register online at www.PaintTheStateMontana.org.

Create-an-Ad Contest is sponsored by Toole C. Health Dept & Marias Medical Center. More information at the high school office. Deadline May 3.

Students may apply for a four week experience to work outdoors, work with others on small teams, and earn \$500 toward postsecondary training. Application can be downloaded at www.mtcorsps.org or call 1.866.JOIN MCC.