

UPPER CLASSMEN

Important Dates and Upcoming Events

- **College Visitations:**
 - Students are allowed two excused absences for college visits, at the discretion of the School Counseling Office.
 - Three days prior notice for college visits is preferred, one day is required.
 - Pick up college visitation forms from your assigned counselor.

- **School Counseling Website:**
 - Go to Plymouth High School Website: <http://www.plymouth.k12.wi.us/phshome.htm>
 - Click on School Counseling Department

- **Career Cruising:**
 - An Internet-based career exploration and planning tool used by your son or daughter to explore career and college options and develop a career plan. Career Cruising can be accessed from school, from home, or wherever your son or daughter has access to the Internet.
<http://www.careercruising.com/>
 - Your son/daughter has a username and password to their Career Cruising account and portfolio. If they do not remember their username and/or password, please have them contact their high school counselor.

- **PHS Post High School Planning Night: Monday, November 14th, 6:30pm-8:15pm**
 - Located at University of Wisconsin - Sheboygan
 - Opportunity to attend various informational sessions about tech schools, 4-year colleges/universities, military, application seminar, and financial aid.
 - Highly recommended for sophomores, juniors, and seniors to attend.

- **College Fairs:**
(½ day college visitation may be used for this event)
 - **Marian University**
Monday, September 26 – 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and
Tuesday, September 27 – 9:00 a.m. to 11 a.m.
 - **Lakeshore Technical College**
Friday, September 30 – 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
 - **National College Fair:** Sunday, October 9, 12:00 to 3:30 at Frontier Airline Center – Milwaukee, WI

- **Job Shadowing:**
 - We encourage all students to schedule a time to meet with their counselor to discuss job shadowing possibilities.
 - Job Shadowing Packet can be found on the PHS Counseling Department website under “Career Corner”

Sophomores

- ❑ **PLAN (Pre-ACT) Testing:**
 - Testing will take place in PHS Library. – **Wed. Dec. 21st during early release from 7:35am – 11:30am.** The PLAN test is for all students planning on post high school education. Cost is \$11.25. **Sign up by Fri., Dec 16th**
- ❑ **Sophomore Testing: WKCE**
 - This is a state-administered test for ALL sophomores. The test will be given in October-November.
 - Exam exemption incentive for scores of proficient or higher
- ❑ **Career Connections: All Sophomore Career Exploration Field Trip, March 15th 2012**
 - Sophomores will be taken to Lakeshore Technical College for this field trip as part of their sophomore career curriculum.

Juniors

- ❑ **PSAT Testing/NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test)**
 - Test Date - **Wednesday October 12th 7:35am – 11:30am** (early release day)
 - Registration - Counseling Office - \$14.00 due by **Friday, October 7th**
- ❑ **PEP Talks: Plymouth Educational Planning Conferences**

Scheduled conference time between student, parents/guardian, and school counselor to discuss progress towards graduation, career interests, goals, etc. These will begin October 24, 2011.
- ❑ **ASVAB: Wednesday, December 21st – 12:00 pm** (early release day)
- ❑ **ACT Test:**

Juniors that plan on attending a four-year college should take their ACT test on one of the following dates:

 - December 10, 2011 (register by November 4, 2011)
 - February 11, 2012 (register by January 13, 2012)
 - April 14, 2012 (register by March 9, 2012)
 - June 9, 2012 (register by May 4, 2012)
 - ACT registration forms and practice tests can be picked up in the counseling office. **ONLINE Registration RECOMMENDED @ www.actstudent.org**

Seniors

- ❑ **Upcoming Senior Homeroom Informational Meetings:**
 - September 8th – Senior College Application Meeting
 - October 11th – Senior Scholarship Meeting
- ❑ **2012 Graduation Cap & Gowns:**
 - Tuesday, October 18th - 8:22-8:39 a.m.
Mandatory informational meeting during homeroom.
 - Wednesday, October 26th : Periods 5-9. Place orders and pay for cap & gowns during lunch periods.
- ❑ **Accuplacer Test:** If planning to attend a technical school, make an appointment with your assigned counselor to schedule a time to take the test.
- ❑ **ACT Test/Retakes:**
 - October 22, 2011(register by September 16, 2011)
 - December 10, 2011 (register by November 4, 2011)

Registration can be done online at www.actstudent.org - ONLINE Registration is recommended