

September 12, 2011

Dear Parent;

On Wednesday October 12, 2011, your sophomore student will participate in the PLAN assessment. The PLAN assessment evaluates student progress in English, reading, mathematics, and science reasoning. The assessment results will help teachers to improve the curriculum and their instructional methods. The assessment also includes a survey that identifies career areas matching your child's interests. The survey results will enable you and your child to consider high school course choices that will further exploration of and preparation for a career of interest.

The PLAN assessment will be administered at no cost to parents on the morning of October 12 during a regular day. The PLAN assessment will start at 7:30 a.m. Regular classes will commence at 10:30 a.m. with an abbreviated bell schedule through 2:45pm p.m. Buses will run on the routine schedule for sophomore students.

Each sophomore student will receive a PLAN publication entitled **Planning Guide for Students and Parents**. The **Guide** contains details about the PLAN test and includes sample test problems. Please review it carefully with your child.

Results of this assessment will be returned in December and shared with students and parents. The PLAN assessment results will help students to prepare for the ACT test that will be administered in their junior year as part of the Illinois *Prairie State Achievement Examination*.

The PLAN assessment is an important part of your child's education program. Please contact your child's counselor at (847)755-2630 if you have any questions regarding this testing.

Sincerely,



Principal