



January 31, 2011

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This letter is to inform you of an opportunity available to your son/daughter currently enrolled in grade 11. As part of the Texas College Preparation Program (TCPP), funded by the 81st Texas Legislature, approximately **60 percent of 2010-2011 grade 11 students have an opportunity to take one state-funded college entrance examination** in the spring or early summer of 2011.

Students in grade 11 are eligible for **ONE** state-funded college entrance exam, either the ACT (with or without writing section) or the SAT (does not include subject tests). Eligible test administrations for each exam are as follows:

ACT
April 9 (registration deadline March 4)
June 11 (registration deadline May 6)

SAT
May 7 (registration deadline April 8)
June 4 (registration deadline May 6)

In order to register for an eligible test administration, students must obtain an exam voucher from their high school counselor. Please note that the voucher only covers the regular registration fees associated with the examination. All additional fees and charges are the responsibility of the examinee.

Students who have already registered at their own expense for one of the eligible administrations above may request a refund directly from the test vendor. Instructions for how to request a refund are included on the exam voucher. A valid voucher is required for all refund requests.

The TCPP vouchers will be available in the counseling center of each MISD high school from February 7th through February 18th on a first-come, first-served basis. We encourage you to discuss with your son or daughter the benefits of taking a college entrance examination. Those benefits include the identification of academic strengths and weaknesses, experience taking college entrance exams, and access to scholarship opportunities. Please be aware that students have the choice of which exam to take. When students receive their exam vouchers, they should also receive information about each exam. We encourage you to take a few moments to review this information with your child in order to select the exam that best fits his/her needs.

Should you have any questions related to this opportunity, please contact your high school's counseling center.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrea Hensley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Andrea Hensley
MISD Director of Guidance & Counseling