

PLAN Test for Sophomores December 11, 2008

PLAN Components

Achievement Tests

English	50 items	30 minutes
Mathematics	40 items	40 minutes
Reading	25 items	20 minutes
Science	30 items	25 minutes

These curriculum-based tests cover the skills and knowledge that are commonly taught in the nation's schools and are judged to be important for success in both high school and college. The tests measure what students know and what they are able to do with their knowledge.

The content of the PLAN tests is closely tied to that of the achievement tests in the ACT which is broadly used for college entrance and placement decisions.

Benefits

For students, **PLAN** can:

- stimulate thinking and planning for life after high school
- assess status of academic preparation for postsecondary education
- support meaningful high school course selection for junior and senior years
- relate personal characteristics to educational and career options
- help focus test preparation to improve ACT scores
- provide an estimated ACT Assessment Composite score

As a "pre-ACT" test, **PLAN** is a powerful predictor of success on the ACT. At the same time, the importance of PLAN testing for LaSalle students, is it focuses attention on both career preparation and improving academic achievement.

ASVAB Testing for Juniors December 11, 2008

The ASVAB Career Exploration Program is a comprehensive career exploration and planning program that includes a multiple aptitude test battery, an interest inventory, and various career planning tools designed to help students explore the world of work.

The ASVAB Career Exploration Program is intended for use with students in the 11th grade, as well as students in post-secondary schools. The Program provides tools, including the test battery and interest inventory, developed by the Department of Defense to help high school and post-secondary students across the nation learn more about career exploration and planning. Results of the aptitude test and the interest inventory enable students to evaluate their skills, estimate performance in academic and vocational endeavors, and identify potentially satisfying careers. These results are integrated with work values to help students identify and prioritize possible career choices. Students are encouraged to consider their own work-related values and other important personal preferences as they explore the world of work and learn career exploration skills that will benefit them throughout their work lives.

