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EHS Community:

We are very fortunate to be able to provide our students, in math classes at the level of Algebra II or higher, the opportunity to take the College Math Placement Test (CMPT) on our campus. This test is used at Everett Community College, Skagit Valley Community College and Cascadia College to determine placement in college math courses. For students attending Everett Community College, Skagit Valley Community College and Cascadia College, the CMPT score can be banked for up to two years. Students can retake the test each year. The test is free to our students. For the many graduates who go directly to a four year college, this test is still a benefit to them. It is similar to other placement tests which all colleges and universities use. All students will be given their scores and can use these to identify areas in which they might need to improve.

Students will be scheduled into the test during their math classes on May 16th and May 18th.

If your student is a junior or a senior and <u>is not currently</u> in a math class and has taken Algebra II, he or she can take the CMPT as well. Please contact <u>Anne LaRue</u> to schedule a time for this test.

For more information:

- Frequently Asked Questions
- CMPT Schedule
- CMPT Practice Test

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Frequently Asked Questions:

What is CMPT?

CMPT is short for College Math Placement Test.

Why is CMPT a good thing for students?

Taking the CMPT and scoring well could mean students are eligible for more advanced math classes in college, community college or technical schools. It could eliminate the need to take (and pay for) remedial math classes after high school. It could save some college, community college and technical school tuition costs.

What does the test involve and why is it better than other math placement tests?

The 35-item online test is administrated through the Snohomish Math Consortium and WAMAP (Washington Mathematics Assessment and Placement).

- The CMPT is similar to other college math placement tests, yet closer to the content breadth found in high school math classes than other college placement tests such as COMPASS, ASSET. It is also aligned with Washington State College Readiness Standards.
- The CMPT helps ensure proper college placement for seniors. CMPT score results can help high school sophomores or juniors make good high school math course choices to ensure they are ready for college-level math when they graduate.
- Students who score well enough on the CMPT are able to bank their success for up to two years when applying to local community colleges.

The CMPT helps students and families understand and MEET college level math expectations. Taking the CMPT tells students where they stand and gives high school students, teachers and counselors information needed to improve math learning while in high school. Thus you can

avoid having to spend tuition money on remedial math classes.

CMPT Schedule

	CMPT Labs May 16, 2011					
	C205	A304	E208	S101		
Period 1	Johnson Pre- Calculus	McLeod Alg II Honors	Students w/ no Math class	Students w/ no Math Class		
Period 2			5.550			
Period 3	Anderson Alg II CL	McLeod Alg II Honors	Hall Alg II	Johnson Pre-Calculus		
Period 4						
Period 5	Anderson Alg II Honors	Pollom AP Stats	Hall Alg II	Legore Pre-Calculus		
Period 6						

	CMPT Labs May 18, 2011					
	C205	A304	E208	S101		
Period 1						
Period 2	Anderson Alg II CL	Gebert Pre- Calculus	Tom Col Alg Rev	Makeup Time		
Period 3		Gebert Pre-Calculus				
Period 4	Anderson Alg II		Tom Col Alg Rev	Hall Alg II		
Period 5						
Period 6	Anderson Alg II Honors	Legore Pre-Calculus	Makeup Time	Hall Alg II		

Students can take a practice test in preparation for the CMPT:

Directions for Practice for College Math Placement Test (CMPT) on WAMAP

- No calculators are allowed.
- You may use scratch paper, but no notes, books, etc. When taking the actual test you have a maximum of 60 minutes to complete.

To get to the WAMAP login page, you will need to:

- 1) Open a web browser (Internet Explorer, FireFox, Safari, etc.)
- 2) In the address bar, type http://www.wamap.org/
- 3) Hit enter

- 4) Go to Placement
- 5) Enter phone #, name and indicate which type of test format you want to use; multiple-choice or free response

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