

# GLASSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT

Updated 2/1/05

## Monthly Board Items

Date Submitted: **5.20.15**

Proposed Effective Date: **2015-16**  
**School Year**

Grade(s) impacted: 10 &  
11

Name: Dr. Danielle F.  
Sneathen

Position/Item: GHS  
Principal

Submitted By: Dr.  
Danielle F. Sneathen

Building: GHS

Proposed cost/amount:

\$4,800

Funded through: BOE

Hours/Days per week:

Benefits: Y or N  
(circle one)

Is candidate currently employed by District:

No  Yes

(if yes, what position) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, part time or full time (circle one)

Is candidate a former employee:  No  Yes

Check references/review district personnel file?

No  Yes

### Board Action Requested:

Seeking Board of Education approval to administer the PSAT to the entire Sophomore and Junior classes sponsored by the school district. As part of our "College and Career Readiness" plan last year we administered the PSATs to all 10<sup>th</sup> grade students. This coming school year we would like to expand to include all 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students.

**Details and ramifications:** The PSAT would be administered on a Wednesday during school hours rather than on a Saturday. The payment for the test is \$14 per student. Students in grades 9 and 12 would have a delayed opening. Due to the fact that school report cards and "Career and College Readiness" evaluations are tied to PSATs and SATs all schools in the county are moving towards a Wednesday administration to increase participation.

### Positives:

Students involved in athletics and extracurricular activities on Saturday would no longer be prohibited from taking the PSAT. Students who previously had financial issues would now be able to take the PSAT. All Sophomores and Juniors would sit for this test which would better prepare them for future SAT testing. The PSAT results would provide another source of testing data for Glassboro High School. Scoring a 40 or higher on the PSAT is one of the current graduation requirements.

### Concerns:

Some students might not take the test seriously.

### Other Comments:

Any 9<sup>th</sup> grade student who wished to sign up could do so for the cost of the test, which was \$14 this year, rather than the \$20-\$22 fee that is normal for the Saturday administration of the PSAT. All schools in the county are moving (or have already moved) towards giving the PSATs to all 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students and some school are giving the "ReadiStep" to all 9<sup>th</sup> grade students as well.

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Board Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: Y or N

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