

Curriculum & Instruction – *Mr. Tim Flanagan*

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PSAT testing is coming up for the 10th and 11th graders. They will be receiving practice booklets to gear them up for the test on Oct. 10th. Log onto *psat.org*, the PSAT/NMSQT website. It offers free personalized SAT practice along with connecting you to scholarship partners.

Our STEAM Program:

The September STEAM Society group meeting was held this past Monday with Mr. Mario Coronado speaking about his experiences in the computer science field. Mr. Coronado left the students with 3 takeaway messages: life is a process, work hard, and always learn. A huge thank you to Mr. Coronado for sharing those life lessons and his career highlights with us.

The October STEAM Society group meeting will be held on Monday, October 8th at 7:45 a.m. in Room 304. Dr. Nikolaus Volgenau from Las Cumbres Observatory will be speaking about some of the research carried out at the observatory as well as his background in astronomy.

There is an upcoming STEAM field trip to CalTech on Saturday, October 27th for the 1-day conference "Chemistry is Out of This World." Speakers include scientists working on the Mars 2020 mission, studying rocket launching chemistry, and exploring the origin of the elements in space. Interested members must turn in a permission slip and the \$15 registration fee to Dr. Shafer. Dr. Shafer is also looking for parent volunteers to drive for the field trip. Bishop will cover the conference registration fee for parent drivers.

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