# Students' state test scores announced

Mason reviews a four-year trend each fall, and is available to teachers, counselors and specialists who need help interpret-ing the numbers. Teach-ers use test results to monitor classroom and individual performance, adjusting teaching pat-terns to stress problems areas.

In high schools, counsciors receive the scores, and math and reading specialists in each school use results to monitor their programs.

Sometimes, curriculum improvements and reading material changes are suggested, she added.

"RESULTS ALLOW us to remediate skills on a short-term basis," Mason

sessment programs, ac-cording to Mason. Test items are written by Michigan teachers who are members of the Michigan Council of Teachers of Mathematics and the Michigan Read-ing Association.

Districts are encouraged to compare their results with statewide numbers, not with other dis-

two years ago to aid in analyzingtest results, "making the test scores more meaningful" to teachers, Mason said. Mason believes results were more effective with this help. Next year's tests will expand to include social studies, science, career awareness and health areas, she said. Harrison High School was part of the 1985 pilot program for the health test.

THE MEAP is only used to test student skills — not those of Farmington teachers.

ton teachers.

"We are cautioned against using this as a teacher accountability tool," Mason said, "The test is an accumulation of knowledge over several years."

The test does not "place blame," but helps the individual student when needed, she said.

The Farmington district hired is consultant

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grade. It also explains the test, giving test question samples.

If results are received before parent/teacher conferences, results are used to bring added dimension to the discussions, Mason said.

Some special education students, and those non-English speaking students enrolled less than one year, are not required to take MEAP tests, Mason added.

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IN ADDITION, parents are given test "report cards" for their child. Each skill area is detailed, showing where the student placed within the grade. It also explains the test, giving test question

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# police/fire calls

Listed below are some of the Farmington-area police and fire calls received during the past week:

## CONDOS VANDALIZED

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Eight condominiums under construction in Farmington Hills were the targets of vandals sometime Nov. 35-26.

Each of the units — In the Crosswinds Condominiums — sustained water damage after the sink plumbing was disassembled.

In three of the units, the downstairs kitchen sinks were attacked. In five of the units, the upstairs battroom sinks were taken apart, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

TEENS TICKETED

Three young people were ticketed Nov. 26 for having open beer In a motor vehicle parked in the lot at Puit 'n Games, 30749 Grand filver, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

The three were ages 22, 19 and 16.

© PROPERTY DAMAGED
Someone drove what appeared to be a fourwheel-drive vehicle over the lawn at Power Junior
High, 34740 Rhonswood, early Nov. 28, causing
about \$90 in sod damage, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

THEFTS REPORTED
 Local police agencies have taken reports of several theirs:

A saxophone valued at \$300 was reported stolen from Larkshire Elementary School, 23800 Tuck, Nov. 21.

A 12-pack of beer valued at \$8 was reported stolen from the Quik Pik, 29405 12 Mile, Nov. 23.

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Several rings valued at about \$1,500 were reported stolen from a house an Kendallwood Nov. 23.

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# on the agenda

Farmington City Council 23600 Liberty, Farmington 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 2

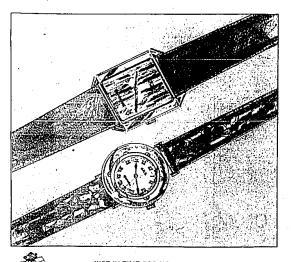
Farmington City Council will consider a recommendation not to enter into agreement for particulation in Askand County's Solid Waste Disposal Plan and continue with the city's current disposal Plan and continue with the city's current disposal contract with Hollowsy Landtill in Sizem from simply in Washtenaw County. Also to be considered is the introduction of ordinances covering the furnishing of false identification; vehicles offered for sale; junk whicles and fire lanes at the new Crossroads Shopping Center. Council will also schedule a public hearing to consider uses for Community Development Block Grant money. Council will consider

participating in the 1986 Oakland County Road Commission Trt-Party Program. Farmington Public Schools Fairview Early Childhood Center 28500 Oak Creat, Farmington Hills 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3

Farmington Board of Education will lear a presentation from the board's curriculum committee on the district's early childhood program. Trustees will consider appointment of an administrative intern who will be assigned to the district's personnel office. Also to be considered is twice-a-year tax collection and the installation of carpeting in the district's central offices and special education offices at Alameda.



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