Do You Have Test Anxiety?

Test anxiety can create major roadblocks in a student's academic success. Identifying whether you have it can help you find solutions to overcoming the symptoms and therefore help you reach a greater level of academic enjoyment and success. Take the following questionnaire to see if you may suffer from test anxiety.

1.	I sometimes have trouble sleeping the night before a test.	Yes	No
2.	During a test my palms frequently sweat.	Yes	No
3.	Before a test, I often get a headache.	Yes	No
4.	During a test, I often get nauseated.	Yes	No
5.	Because of panic, I sometimes leave class on a test day.	Yes	No
6.	I often have pains in my neck, back or legs during a test.	Yes	No
7.	My heart sometimes pounds just before or after a test.	Yes	No
8.	I often feel nervous and jittery when I am taking a test.	Yes	No
9.	While testing, my mind often goes blank, even when I am prepared.	Yes	No
10.	I sometimes lose my appetite before a test.	Yes	No
11.	I often make careless errors on tests.	Yes	No
12.	I frequently worry when other students finish a test before me.	Yes	No
13.	I often feel pushed for time when I am taking a test.	Yes	No
14.	I sometimes worry that everyone is doing okay on the test but me.	Yes	No
15.	When I am taking a test I sometimes think of my past failures.	Yes	No
16.	During a test, I often feel as if I studied all of the wrong things.	Yes	No
17.	I frequently have trouble thinking clearly during tests.	Yes	No
18.	I often have a hard time understanding directions on tests.	Yes	No
	After a test, it is not uncommon for answers that I left blank or I did not answer to come to my mind.	Yes	No

If you circled "Yes" ten or more times to any of these questions, you are most likely experiencing test anxiety. You may want to consider seeing a personal counselor for tips on how to relieve your symptoms. To make an appointment with a personal counselor on our Shasta College campus call (530) 242-7580 or come by the Student Health & Wellness office in the Student Center Building, Room 2020.