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SARASOTA--A group of college-oriented educators will meet for two days in Sarasota this week, as part of their advisory work to the College Entrance Examination Board. (CEEB)

Twenty-one members of the Commission on Tests of the CEEB, including college presidents, deans, admissions officers, professors and one major newspaper education writer, will hold a two day meeting Wednesday and Thursday at New College.

The commission, an independent group of teachers, administrators, and writers appointed by the College Board to review all the Board's existing examinations, to gather evidence of the need for change, and consider what kinds of tests may be needed a decade hence, will hold its meetings at the college's Hamilton Center.

Meetings will be under the chairmanship of Dr. David V. Tiedeman, professor of education of Harvard University. CEEB President Richard Pearson will attend the meetings as will a number of his staff.

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The Commission was created last year to make a three year study of the Board's tests and to recommend changes in light of educational and social changes. Its first meeting was held last June in open session and again in October. The Sarasota meeting is a closed business meeting.

Members of the Commission expected to be here for the meeting include the presidents of Hunter and Wheaton Colleges, deans of the University of Texas, Douglass College, the provost of the University of Delaware and a master of one of Yale University's colleges.

CEEB, the parent organization, is a nonprofit membership association of 782 colleges and universities, 237 secondary schools, and 88 associations. Established in 1900 to aid in the transition of students from school to college, its programs include guidance and admission tests administered to about two million students a year. Most high school students know the College Board tests as keys to admission to many colleges. The Board also conducts extensive research activities, publishes numerous books and studies, carries out training programs for college admissions and school guidance officers and operates the College Scholarship Service and the Advanced Placement Program.

Several members of the New College faculty have been associated with the Board. Dr. John W. French, College Examiner and professor of psychology, was senior research psychologist with Educational Testing Service, which constructs the tests used by the Board. Dr. Arthur P. Borden Jr., chairman of the Division of Humanities and professor of literature,

has served with the Board on assignments since 1960 and in 1963-64 was on leave of absence from Washington and Lee University to work with them full time. Dr. David Dykstra, associate professor of literature, took a leave of absence before joining the faculty of New College to do a study for the Council on College-Level Examinations, a project of the CEEB.