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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your 10th grade student will take the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test on October 13, 2021 at 8:00 am.

This test is only offered on-campus, in-person. Students are also expected to bring their own materials needed for testing.

Student Brought Materials: #2 pencil, scientific/graphing calculator (One will be provided if you do not have one.)

The PSAT/NMSQT is an assessment administered to 10th/11th grade students that helps prepare them for the SAT, college, and careers. Historically, students who take the PSAT/NMSQT score higher on the SAT, on average, than those who do not take the test. The following are other key benefits of the PSAT/NMSQT.

- Grade 10/11 Pre-college testing is an indicator of performance on the SAT/ACT.
- The PSAT/NMSQT includes reading, mathematics, and writing and language components that focus on the knowledge and skills that are most essential for college and career readiness and success; it is also used as a diagnostic tool to measure and follow student performance and pinpoint areas for development.
- The program can help identify each student's potential for academic success at the postsecondary level.
- Test results provide high school guidance counselors with information to help identify students who may be ready to enroll and be successful in Advanced Placement and other college preparatory courses, or identify students who may need additional instruction to do so.

Additionally, students who take the PSAT/NMSQT in 11th grade typically can compete for recognition and scholarships through the National Merit® Scholarship Program, which honors academically talented students throughout the United States. Through the PSAT/NMSQT, our other scholarship partners identify students qualified to apply for scholarships and recognition programs.

Testing is FREE for current 10th grade students. 9th and 11th grade students may take the assessment for \$17. This fee is due before September 13. For additional information, including the calculator policy (cell phones are not permitted), practice tests and sample questions regarding this assessment, please refer to the PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide or visit the CollegeBoard website at <http://collegeboard.org>.

Thank you,

Lorie Sprague, M.Ed.
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