

RICHLAND COUNTRY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE
A.C. FLORA HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear Falcon 10th and 11th grade families,

At AC Flora High School, we believe in creating as many opportunities as possible for our students to own their future. That is why your student will be taking the PSAT/ NMSQT (Preliminary SAT/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) during the school day on Wednesday, October 16th, 2024. Results from the PSAT/ NMSQT provide insight into your student's academic strengths, along with areas they can work on while still in high school.

Taking the PSAT/ NMSQT can also help your student to:

- Enter the National Merit Scholarship Program (for 11th grade students) if they meet program requirements specified in the PSAT/ NMSQT Student Guide.
- See where they are and set a target for where they want to be.
- Plan and pay for college and connect to their future career.

The PSAT/NMSQT will be administered in a digital format that will provide a simpler testing experience for students. Your student will take the PSAT/ NMSQT on **Wednesday, October 16th, 2024**, using their own school issued device. PSAT/NMSQT tests will be Here are some ways you can learn more about your student's upcoming PSAT/ MNAQT testing experience at A.C. Flora High School:

- Watch this 2024 PSAT/ NMSQT Video to see a brief overview of what students can expect from the digital PSAT/ NMSQT. <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt?navid=gh-pn>
- Glance through the 2023 PSAT/ NMSQT Student Guide. <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-student-guide>

Students will be performing the Digital Readiness test in the next week during Flight Time. This will allow them to log in to the digital platform, Bluebook, to complete the exam pre-registration. Students can log back into the Bluebook application on their device using their unique user ID/ Registration Number on the ticket they were issued during Flight Time. This will provide the opportunity to walk through a PSAT/ NMSQT Test Preview and to take a FULL-LENGTH PRACTICE TEST! This is an amazing opportunity, and I highly encourage every student to take advantage before taking the exam on **October 16th**.

On test day, students are reminded of the following:

- Testing begins promptly at 8 am
- Laptops need to be fully charged on test day. Students should bring their charging cables with them as well.
- Students can bring a CollegeBoard approved calculator. However, online calculators will be available.

If you or your student have questions about the PSAT/ NMSQT or college and career planning, please reach out to your student's Guidance Counselor – we are here to help!