



Harborfields High School

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Dear Parent/Guardians,

All Sophomores and Juniors who are planning to continue their education beyond high school are encouraged to take the PSAT/NMSQT. The purpose of the PSAT is to help students prepare for the SAT, which is an entrance exam used by some colleges and universities in the admission process. Students who take the PSAT/NMSQT in 11th grade may enter the National Merit Scholarship Program, an academic competition for recognition and scholarships.

The PSAT/NMSQT test will be administered at Harborfields High School on **Saturday, October 14, 2023**. Students should arrive at their testing rooms no later than 7:30 a.m. to begin pre-administration test directions and digital readiness checks. Students may not be dismissed until the exam has officially ended.

Room assignments will be posted to your child's Infinite Campus backpack the week of **October 9, 2023**. Items to bring include: School-Issued Chromebook (fully charged), Chromebook charger, an approved calculator, and a valid school or government-issued photo ID. Please note that with the switch to digital testing, all students will have access to a digital calculator through their exam; however, students are encouraged to bring their own calculator if they wish.

REGISTRATION FOR THE PSAT/NMSQT:

The PSAT/NMSQT registration will be available online at www.MySchoolBucks.com on Tuesday, August 22, 2023. The **deadline to register and pay for the exam is Friday, September 15, 2023**. The fee to take the exam is \$40.00. If you are already using www.MySchoolBucks.com to pay for school meals, the user account is set-up and you are able to register and pay for the exam by logging in and clicking on the School Store. If you are not using www.MySchoolBucks.com, please create an account, click on add student, go to School Store, and register and pay for the exam. If you need technical assistance, please call the parent support line at 855-832-5226.

PREPARING FOR THE PSAT/NMSQT:

Information regarding the PSAT/NMSQT including preparing for the exam can be found at: <https://www.khanacademy.org/digital-sat/confirmed>

VIEWING YOUR PSAT/NMSQT SCORES:

Students must have a College Board account in order to view their scores. They will receive an email when they become available (early November). Please note that this account is for all College Board sponsored tests including **SAT**, **PSAT/NMSQT**, and **AP** (Advanced Placement). Please provide complete and accurate information. To create an account, please go to: <https://www.collegeboard.org/>

UNDERSTANDING YOUR PSAT/NMSQT SCORES:

To find out how your PSAT/NMSQT scores are calculated and what those scores mean, please go to: <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt/scores/understanding-scores>

Please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's school counselor with any questions regarding this year's PSAT/NMSQT.

Sincerely,
Kierstin Bloom
School Counselor