## **ATTENTION SOPHOMORES**



10<sup>th</sup> grade students will take the PSAT on Wednesday, October 18, 2023.

The PSAT/NMSQT has now transitioned to a <u>digital test</u>.

## What is the PSAT, and why should I take it?

The PSAT is given once a year in October. The PSAT acts as a practice SAT giving students a sense of the format, question types, content, and time limits that they will encounter on the SAT. As a junior, students have the opportunity to sign up and pay to take the PSAT again and use the score to serve as a qualifying test for the National Merit Scholarship Program.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION for Students with Disabilities**

Some students with documented disabilities (students with 504s, IEPs, or documented medical disabilities) are eligible for accommodations on College Board exams. Like the SAT, the PSAT is a timed test and students <u>may</u> need accommodations that they use in the classroom such as extended time or the ability to check their blood sugar.

Students <u>cannot</u> take the **SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, or AP Exams** with accommodations unless their request for accommodations has been approved by College Board's Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD).

<u>Note:</u> Some students with disabilities choose to take the PSAT without the accommodations they typically use on standardized tests to see how they do without them. Families can then choose to complete the accommodations request before taking the SAT. Applying for accommodations is the responsibility of the parent and the student.

Once College Board has approved a student for special accommodations, students do not have to apply again unless there is a change in the student's disability status or accommodation needs. If you are already approved by College Board, please review your current approved accommodations to ensure your accommodation needs are met for digital testing.

Students who would like to request special accommodations for the PSAT will need to scan the QR code, complete the electronic form, and return paperwork (if needed) to the Testing Coordinator, Blaine Jolley, by Monday, August 21, 2023.

