

PSAT Test – Wednesday, October 17, 2007

All 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students are eligible to sign-up for the PSAT/NMSQT test. This test will be administered on Wednesday, October 17, 2007 at CHS (the place is yet to be determined).

In order to sign up for the test and receive preparation materials, the students must sign up with Mrs. Parker in the Guidance Office.

Registration will open on **Monday, September 10, 2007** and will close at 3:05 p.m. on **Wednesday, September 26, 2007**.

For the 9th and 10th grade students, taking the PSAT is a great way to practice for a standardized test. This is an opportunity for the 9th and 10th grade students to practice for their junior year (taking the PSAT during the junior year will automatically enter the students in the National Merit Scholarship Competition).

For the 11th grade students, participating in this test will automatically enter them in the National Merit Scholarship Competition. This competition can lead to great scholarship and college opportunities.

The most common reasons for taking the PSAT/NMSQT are:

- to receive feedback on your strengths and weaknesses on skills necessary for college study. You can then focus your preparation on those areas that could most benefit from additional study or practice.
- to see how your performance on an admissions test might compare with that of others applying to college.
- to enter the competition for scholarships from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.
- to help prepare for the SAT. You can become familiar with the kinds of questions and the exact directions you will see on the SAT.
- to receive information from colleges when you check "yes" to Student Search Service.

The PSAT/NMSQT measures: critical reading skills, math problem-solving skills, and writing skills. You have developed these skills over many years, both in and out of school. This test doesn't require you to recall specific facts from your classes.

For more information on the PSAT, visit <http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/psat/about.html>

DON'T FORGET: Visit the CHS website <http://chs.cullmancats.net/> and check out the Things to do your Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior Year webpages. Each webpage contains important information and reminders for students in each grade level. The Guidance webpage also contains helpful college and career planning information.