

# PSAT/NMSQT®

*Dear parent/guardian:*

*On Wednesday, Oct. 22, your child will have the opportunity to take the PSAT/NMSQT® (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test), an important test that provides many benefits that can help him or her along the path to college.*

*If your child is a junior, the PSAT/NMSQT offers him or her the opportunity to enter competitions for scholarships that can help pay for college. For both sophomores and juniors, the PSAT/NMSQT is also great practice for the SAT®. They'll also get personalized feedback on their performance to help improve their skills before taking the SAT.*

*In addition, students receive free college planning tools to help them start their college search and feedback on the types of AP courses for which they may be particularly well prepared. Taking these college-level classes can help students earn college credit while still in high school and provide them with a competitive advantage in the college admission process.*

*If your child is interested in hearing from colleges and universities across the country that are looking for students like him or her, remind your child to opt in to Student Search Service® when he or she takes the test.*

*RSVP by email to Ms. Thornton by September 2nd. The PSAT/NMSQT is free for 10<sup>th</sup> graders and \$22 for 11<sup>th</sup> graders. **For more information about the PSAT/NMSQT, visit [psat.org](http://psat.org).***

*St. Johns Virtual School*