

JUNIORS – PSAT/NMSQT Testing and ASVAB Testing

The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (**PSAT/NMSQT**) is a standardized test taken by all students in October of their junior year. The PSAT tests student's skills in reading, writing, and math. With the shift to digital testing, schools will now need to complete a *digital readiness check* with their students before test day. In these sessions, students will get familiar with the Bluebook testing application, confirm their personal information is correct, and verify that their devices are ready for test day. All Juniors will be dismissed from their 4A class at 2:15 on Thursday, **October 12** and will report to their assigned testing rooms to complete this task.

The PSAT/NMSQT exam will be given on Wednesday, **October 18** in the morning. Please make sure your student is in attendance on that day.

With the PSAT/NMSQT students can:

- Prepare with unique **SAT practice** recommendations from Khan Academy based on your performance on the PSAT/NMSQT
- Access **college planning resources** that can help you explore colleges, majors, scholarships and get **AP potential** feedback.
- Enter the National Merit **Scholarship Program** for recognition and scholarships.
- Show **colleges and universities** that you want to **connect with them**.
- Assess your skill levels and **readiness for college and career**.
- Get suggestions on **how to improve** your academic skills.

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (**ASVAB**) is taken by all students during the 1st semester of their junior year. The ASVAB is a free standardized test that helps students determine how they learn and what they're good at, and it gives them choices (to decide what they might like to work towards) when they get ready to graduate. Although the ASVAB may sound like a military test alone, it is a tool for students who are interested in their abilities and what occupations and careers they might consider pursuing in the near future.

The ASVAB exam will be given on Wednesday, **October 25** in the morning. Please make sure your student is in attendance on that day.