

September 27, 2023

Dear Parents of 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Students:

RCCA will be administering the *Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) / National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test* to our 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11th grade students who wish to take this exam. The PSAT/NMSQT is now digital through Bluebook. Students will be required to download the app and bring their own device(see next page specifications). If a student does not have an available device, they must let the school office know <u>prior</u> to test day.

If your student is considering college, we strongly recommend that they take this test. This test is a preliminary to the SAT, which is the qualifying test for most colleges.

Test Arrangements: Date: Tuesday, October 24, 2023 Time: 8:15 am – 12:00 (approximately) Place: RCCA Cost: \$25.00

Please submit this form and payment to the office by *Friday, October 6, 2023*. *NOTE:* Seating is limited and will be available on a first come first serve basis.

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Student name: \_\_\_\_\_\_Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**YES,** I am planning to take the PSAT test on **October 24**<sup>th</sup> at RCCA. My payment of \$25 (cash/check) is attached.

I have my own device I will be bringing to test day.

\_\_\_\_\_ I do not have my own device and will need to use a school device.

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

(parent signature)

Return this form to the school office no later than Friday, October 6, 2023.

## The PSAT/NMSQT Is Now Digital

Find out what to expect on test day. https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt/preparing

Start Preparing with Bluebook™ See the test preview or take a full-length practice test. Download here <u>https://bluebook.app.collegeboard.org/</u>

If you're testing on a personal device, you <u>must</u> download Bluebook <u>before</u> testing day.

You can run the Bluebook<sup>™</sup> testing app on a Windows or Mac device, an iPad, or a schoolmanaged Chromebook. Phones are not allowed.

- Your device must be able to connect to Wi-Fi.
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## What to Bring on PSAT/NMSQT Test Day

- Your fully charged device. On test day, your device must be fully charged; it will need to stay on for 3–4 hours. We also recommend you bring your device's power cord or a portable charger. We cannot guarantee you'll have access to an outlet during testing.
- You must have the app installed and exam setup complete before test day if you're testing with a personal device.
- A pencil or pen.
- Scratch paper will be provided—do not bring your own.
- An approved calculator. There's a graphing calculator built into the app, but you can bring your own if you like.
- An external mouse if you use one.
- An external keyboard if you use one (you can only use external keyboards with tablets—not laptops.)