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Re: PSAT Assessment/No fee for students

Dear Sophomore Parent/Guardian:

Ocean City High School will be administering the PSAT to all sophomores. The test is scheduled to be administered Tuesday, January 26, 2021, during the school day. In addition to being a precursor to the SAT and a valuable guidance instrument, the PSAT could potentially fulfill the testing requirement for graduation mandated by the state of New Jersey. **The school district will assume all costs for the test.** Because of the need for social distancing the school needs an accurate count of test takers. **Prior registration is required.** The registration portal opens Friday, January 8 at 12:00am and closes Friday, January 15 at 3:00pm. www.TotalRegistration.net/PSAT/311045

I am excited about the benefits the PSAT will afford our students. Please take a few moments to look over the information contained in this letter regarding the PSAT. I am confident you will share in my excitement for this program.

- The test is approximately three hours and has three components: Evidence-Based Reading, Math, and Writing and Language.
- No make-up will be scheduled.
- Students need to bring two #2 pencils and a scientific/graphing calculator to the testing location.
- The test will provide parents/students and counselors advanced notice about the types of skills needed for success in college.
- The test will give students the early opportunity to work on their academic skills and improve their performance in critical reading, mathematics, and writing.

I believe administering the PSAT to our sophomores will help us to develop the most appropriate academic plan for each student. Please take a minute to visit the following sites for more information:

- <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/practice>

While students do not have to “study” for the PSAT, you and your student will find additional helpful practice at:

- https://www.khanacademy.org/sat?ep_mid=11150420&ep_rid=188778454

Please do not hesitate to contact your student’s counselor or Mrs. McDowell-Campo in the guidance office with any questions regarding the PSAT.

Sincerely,



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