

# HIGH POINT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent:

On Wednesday, October 13, 2021, High Point Regional High School will administer the PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) to all tenth and eleventh-grade students at no direct cost to students. In the past, High Point has offered all students in grades 9-11 the opportunity to take the PSAT. However, due to COVID-19 restrictions and limitations, the District will only administer the test to tenth and eleventh-grade students. Students in the 9th Grade will be administered the Start Strong Science Assessment. Students in the 12th Grade will be on a delayed opening schedule. Please note, that there will not be busses running on a delayed opening schedule. If students require transportation, they should take their regularly scheduled bus, and report to High Point for a supervised study hall.

Tenth-grade students are encouraged to take the PSAT, the first step towards college admissions. While tenth-grade students will benefit from the test-taking experience, they will also receive information and resources to begin their college planning one year prior to taking the PSAT again as an eleventh grader. As eleventh graders taking the PSAT/NMSQT, students may qualify for the National Merit Scholarship Program. Additionally, the PSAT/NMSQT serves as a practice test for the SAT which is used in the college admission process. By taking the test, students will gain access to resources that will help them prepare for the future. High Point students may fulfill the NJ Department of Education's graduation assessment requirement by performing well on the PSAT/NMSQT.

We ask that all students provide their own approved calculator for the test. There will be Number 2 pencils for each student to use during the test. To learn more about acceptable calculators, please visit the College Board's website which lists the approved calculators.

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/taking-the-tests/test-day-checklist/approved-calculators>

Below are links to the College Board's website. Here you will find additional resources and information for students and parents. The College Board has partnered with Khan Academy to provide students access to approved practice SAT tests. Taking practice SAT exams is an excellent way to prepare for the PSAT/NMSQT.

- For general and scoring information about the PSAT/NMSQT: [www.psat.org/start](http://www.psat.org/start)
- PSAT/NMSQT practice tests: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/practice>
- Personalized study with Khan Academy: <https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>

High Point Regional High School is excited to offer tenth and eleventh-grade students this tremendous opportunity to take the PSAT and to begin preparing for their college and career choices after high school. As a reminder, our [2021-22 Assessment Schedule](#) provides additional information regarding testing. Please feel free to contact me, or your student's guidance counselor, should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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**Wednesday, October 13, 2021 will follow a Monday Schedule (drop 4,8)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Block</b>	<b>Length</b>
7:35 -11:05	PSAT Testing	3.5 hours
11:05 - 11:54	Unit Lunch	49 min
11:54 - 12:17	Block 4 / Period 5	23 min
12:20 - 12:43	Block 5 / Period 6	23 min
12:46 - 1:09	Block 6 / Period 7	23 min
1:12 - 1:35	Block 1 / Period 1	23 min
1:38 - 2:01	Block 2 / Period 2	23 min
2:04 - 2:27	Block 3 / Period 3	23 min