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Dear Parents/Guardians of Juniors:

Your child will have the opportunity to take the PSAT/NMSQT test on October 16, 2019 at Pittsfield High School. The PSAT/NMSQT measures critical reading, math problem-solving, and writing skills developed over many years, both in and out of school. A student will not have to recall facts from literature, history, or science, or complete math formulas, as this test measures the students reasoning and critical thinking skills.

Your junior is encouraged to take this test because it will give feedback about critical academic skills, prepare for the SAT Reasoning Test, start getting ready for college, and enter scholarship competitions. Students should be prepared on testing day by bringing No. 2 pencils and erasers and an approved calculator. Students are encouraged to go to www.collegeboard.com/psat for sample questions and practice test answer explanations.

Students must sign up in the guidance office by Thursday, October 3rd and have paid the \$17.00 testing fee. Checks should be made out to PHS. The College Board makes fee waivers available to schools for juniors from low income families who can't afford the test fee. Please have your child see me for more information about fee waivers. Due to the cost of materials for testing, we have only ordered 40 tests and the first 40 students to register will be the PHS testers. At the time of sign up, they will be given a booklet with sample questions.

If I may be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at the above number.

Sincerely,



Michelle Westbrook
Guidance Counselor