

2019 PSAT Information & Opt Out Letter

Dear Parents/Guardians:

On October 16, 2019, all 10th grade and 11th grade students will have an opportunity to take the PSAT/NMSQT. The PSAT/NMSQT measures skills important for college success and provides students with the tools they need to start planning for the future. Each year, students worldwide take the PSAT/NMSQT to enter scholarship competitions, prepare for the SAT, and gain access to valuable college and career planning tools.

Citrus County Schools encourages students to take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) in tenth to enable students to:

- Prepare for the SAT
- Access their individual critical reading, mathematical reasoning, and writing skills
- Obtain specific suggestions on how to improve their academic skills
- Access personalized college and career planning resources in My College QuickStart
- Request information from colleges and universities

All eleventh-grade students who take the PSAT/NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) are additionally able to

- Enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation competitions for recognition and scholarships

The test is being offered free to tenth graders. **This test is not required**, but it will be administered to all regular diploma sophomores whose parents have not returned this opt-out letter to the front office at Crystal River High School by **October 4, 2019**. Eleventh graders wishing to enter this scholarship competition must sign up and pay \$17.00 to take the test. Eleventh graders must sign up in guidance by October 4, 2019.

If you need more information about the test, ask your daughter or son to show you the PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide she/he received in homeroom.

Please return this opt-out letter to the front office at Crystal River High School if you do **not** want your son or daughter to take the test.

Sincerely,

Michelle Josey
Assessment Specialist
Crystal River High School
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Date_____

I have read the informational letter about the PSAT/NMSQT test, and I know that as a sophomore my child may take the test for free. This is to inform you that I **do not** want my child to take the PSAT/NMSQT test on October 16, 2019.

Printed name of student_____

Printed name of **homeroom** teacher_____

Printed name of parent/guardian_____

Signature of parent/guardian_____