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Dear Parents/Guardians,

To create as many opportunities as possible for our students to prepare for their future, we are administering the PSAT 8/9 and the PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) to our 8th, 9th, 10th & 11th grade students on Friday, October 6th during the scheduled half day. This is at no charge to the students. Whether your child is thinking about attending a two or four-year college, is going straight into the workforce, or isn't sure of their path after high school, the PSAT/NMSQT can help make their path clearer. Results from the PSAT/NMSQT provide insights into your child's academic strengths, along with areas they can work on while in high school. Taking the PSAT/NMSQT can also help your child to:

- Enter the National Merit Scholarship Program if they meet program requirements specified in the PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide (students will receive).
- See where they are and set a target for where they want to be.
- Practice and prepare for the SAT.
- Plan and pay for college.
- Connect to their future plans.

NEW FOR FALL 2023: This PSAT/NMSQT will be administered in a NEW digital format that will provide an overall easier testing experience for students. The SAT is going digital in Spring 2024. Your child will take the PSAT/NMSQT at RPHS on Friday, October 6th using their school-issued device. Students will use BluebookTM, the College Board testing app, to take the test on school-managed Chromebooks.

<u>Parent Guide to the PSAT</u> is a great resource to answer questions you may have. However, never hesitate to contact your child's counselor for more information.

Kind Regards, RPJSHS Guidance Department