Attention Juniors

The PSAT measures critical-thinking skills that are important for success in college, including critical reading, math problem-solving and writing skills. Taking the PSAT enables students to

- Get feedback about important academic skills
- Receive information from colleges
- Enter scholarship competitions
- Prepare for the SAT and ACT
- Access online college and career tools

The National Merit Scholarship Program is an annual academic competition among high school students for recognition and college scholarships. The program is conducted by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), a not-for-profit organization that operates without government assistance.

The PSAT/NMSQT is the qualifying test that student must take to enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) competitions for scholarships that will be awarded their senior year. The scores are only valid for scholarship consideration when the test is taken during the junior year.

Common Reasons for taking the PSAT/NMSQT Test:

- Enter competition for scholarships from NMSC (grade 11)
- See how your performance on an admission test might compare with that of others applying to college
- Receive feedback on your strengths and weaknesses on skills necessary for college study

PSAT (Pre-SAT) – National Merit Scholarship

- 1. Students must be in the 11th grade.
- 2.Test cost \$18.00
- 3. Test will be administered in October.
- 4. Tests will be administered at Thibodaux High or Central Lafourche High.
- 5.Any accommodations must be approved by College Board - Different from ACT following school accommodations – All accommodations may not be approved
- 6. Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, September 4, 2024 by 3:00pm
- 7. Please send your name and phone number to Denise Gibson (dgibson@valcharter.org)