



# CIVIC MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

On Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, all Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors will be involved in a day of testing. Seniors will have a non-attendance College and Career Day that will not count against their attendance records. Seniors are strongly encouraged to use this day as an opportunity to visit a college, take a college placement test, meet with a military recruiter, job shadow, or complete community service.

Freshmen and Sophomores will take the PSAT, a standardized preparatory test for the SAT. Data from the PSAT will be utilized to help prepare the underclassmen for their future SATs. Juniors are required to participate in the SAT, which can be used for scholarships, college admission decisions, dual credit enrollment, and college course placement.

For a successful day of testing, it is important that your student gets a good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast, and some positive encouragement before the start of school. It is critical that your student be in attendance on this day as these tests are required by the state of Illinois. The Junior SAT is a graduation requirement.

On test day, students will need at least two number 2 pencils (mechanical pencils NOT allowed) and an approved calculator as determined by your child's math teacher. Computers are not permitted in the testing rooms; therefore, we ask that students keep them at home that day. Additionally, phones and "smart watches" are prohibited in the testing area.

Testing will begin at 8:00 AM. Students will be permitted to leave at the conclusion of testing if they have their own transportation, return the permission form found at the bottom of this letter, and meet the following criteria:

- Arrive on time for testing
- Are prepared with a calculator and pencils for testing
- Stay engaged in the testing from start time until end time
- Demonstrate a positive attitude

Students who do not have transportation or have not met the criteria listed above will be dismissed at 2:34 PM.

We encourage Junior students to access the Khan Academy for SAT test prep. This site has some amazing, free resources to help prepare students for the SAT. To access the site, your student will need to visit: [www.KhanAcademy.org/SAT](http://www.KhanAcademy.org/SAT).

We appreciate your support as we help our students navigate these important exams.

Best regards,

Mr. Justin Newell, Principal

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*By signing the parent line below, you are giving your student permission to leave after the completion of PSAT/SAT testing on Tuesday, April 9, 2019. Students should return their permission slips to their first hour teachers by Friday, April 9.*

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level: 9<sup>th</sup> (as early as 1:00 PM)      10<sup>th</sup> (as early as 1:00PM)      11<sup>th</sup> (as early as 1:00PM)      12<sup>th</sup> (Non-attendance)

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**GO EAGLES!**