

# PSAT/NMSQT

The Florida Legislature has allocated funds to support the administration of the PSAT/NMSQT to grade 10 students. We encourage all 10<sup>th</sup> grade students to participate in this opportunity. The PSAT/NMSQT includes reading, writing and language and mathematics components that focus on the knowledge and skills that are most essential for college and career readiness and success; it is also used as a diagnostic tool to measure and follow student performance and pinpoint areas for development. PSAT/NMSQT results provide high school guidance counselors with information to help identify students who may be ready to enroll and be successful in Advanced Placement and other college preparatory courses, or identify students who may need additional instruction to do so. Grade 10 pre-college testing is an indicator of performance on the SAT or ACT.

While we feel that this test is beneficial to every 10<sup>th</sup> grade student, it is voluntary. You have the opportunity to exempt your child from taking this examination. If you do not want your child to take the PSAT/NMSQT, please contact Melissa Hewett at 386-294-4144 to opt out of this opportunity.