



Dear Parent/Guardian:

On October 12th, all 8th grade students will have the opportunity to take the PSAT 8/9 at their designated home school. This test is only offered on-campus in-person with no virtual option. Normally there would be a small fee to take the test, but Henry County Schools is covering the cost of the test for all 8th graders.

The PSAT test includes reading, writing and language, and math. The PSAT 8/9 is the first test in the SAT Suite of Assessments. Tightly aligned with SAT and PSAT/NMSQT, it establishes a baseline for college and career readiness. The PSAT 8/9 will support all students with early feedback on the skills and knowledge that matter most for college and career success. Educators will have an early opportunity to:

- Measure and follow student performance.
- Ensure students are on target to achieve college and career readiness.
- Pinpoint areas for development.

The PSAT 8/9 is a great resource for your students. This test is a pressure-free way to start exploring their path to college and a future career. It helps them:

1. Recognize strengths. A personalized online PSAT 8/9 score report will include detailed information about your child's strengths and areas for growth. It helps students lean into areas they're good at and identify places where they need to improve to be college and career ready.
2. Explore future careers. Students can explore college majors and careers that align with their personal interests with Roadmap to Careers, a unique online tool created by Roadtrip Nation and the College Board. The tool connects students to potential careers based on the things they love, showing where they can lead.
3. Choose high school courses. Knowing where they excel and what skills they should work on can help students choose 9th grade classes, including Advanced Placement (AP) courses that are a great match for them. Advanced Placement courses can give your child an edge in college and career skill development and the college admissions process. Students may also earn college credit while in high school, which could save time and money in college.

Students are encouraged to bring their own calculator on the day of the test; both scientific and graphing calculators are allowed.

All 8th grade students are already registered to take the test.

If you have questions about the PSAT 8/9 Assessment please do not hesitate to contact your child's counselor or principal.

Sincerely,



Principal