



# PSAT Test

High school 11<sup>th</sup> grade students are highly encouraged to take the PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) in order to prepare for taking the SAT college entrance exam in their senior year. This test is also used as a qualifier for the National Merit Scholarship and the National Hispanic Recognition Program for students taking the test in their junior year.

The PSAT is typically taken in a student’s junior year. Sophomores may also benefit from participating in this testing opportunity to determine what academic skills they should focus on improving in order to be better prepared for college and for practice before taking the test in their junior year when they can be considered for National Merit Scholarships.

The PSAT/NMSQT is a timed test that includes sections in math, critical reading, and writing skills (no essay is required). The test takes just over 2 hours to complete. Students will receive score reports showing which answers they answered right and wrong, how they performed on specific academic skills, and how their scores compare to other students across the country.

Each high school in the district will offer the test on the following dates. Students may register at a high school other than their home school, providing tests are still available. Students can register for the test and pay the fee in the school Bookstore.

School	Date	Time	Registration	Fee	Questions
Boulder Creek HS	Wednesday, October 15 <sup>th</sup>	7:40am	BCHS students may sign up until 9/26/14. Other district students may sign up until 9/26/14.	\$20	Eddy Winkler 623-445-8618 <a href="mailto:edward.winkler@dvusd.org">edward.winkler@dvusd.org</a>
Barry Goldwater HS	Wednesday, October 15 <sup>th</sup>	7:45am	BGHS students may sign up from 9/15-10/8 Other district students may sign up 9/15-10/8	\$20	Eddie Rodriguez 623-445-3017 <a href="mailto:Eddie.rodriguez@dvusd.org">Eddie.rodriguez@dvusd.org</a>
Deer Valley HS	Saturday, October 18 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am	DVHS students may sign up from 9/9-10/1 Other district students may sign up 10/1-10/15	\$20	Ginny Walters 623-467-6719 <a href="mailto:Virginia.walters@dvusd.org">Virginia.walters@dvusd.org</a>
Mountain Ridge HS	Saturday, October 18 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am	MRHS students may sign up from 9/9-10/9 Other district students may sign up 10/6-10/9	\$20	Yvonne Johnson 623-376-3060 <a href="mailto:Yvonne.johnson@dvusd.org">Yvonne.johnson@dvusd.org</a>
Sandra Day O’Connor HS	Wednesday, October 15 <sup>th</sup>	7:40am	SOHS sophomores and juniors are automatically signed up. Other district students may sign up and pay by 9/30/14.	\$15 (SOHS 10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> graders are free)	Jennifer Miller 623-445-7168 <a href="mailto:Jennifer.miller@dvusd.org">Jennifer.miller@dvusd.org</a>

Additional information about the PSAT test at: <http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/psat/about.html>

Contact your high school guidance counselor for questions and advisement.