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Dear Parent/Guardian

SUBJECT: SAT Suite of Assessments Date - October 11, 2023 & October 12, 2023

School of the Arts will offer the SAT Suite of Assessments this fall. These assessments are more than a test; they focus on the knowledge and skills evidence shows matter most for college and career readiness. Even if your child has not yet decided to attend college, I urge you to make sure he/she/they participates, as it will open the door to many opportunities.

October will be the last administration of the SAT on paper. Seniors will sit for this exam on October 11, 2023. Sophomores and Juniors will sit for the PSAT and Freshman will sit for the PSAT 8/9 exam. These exams will be administered digitally and will be on October 12, 2023.

Students will be taking different tests based upon their grade level. The test breakdown is listed below. It is the expectation that all students take the designated exam on test day.

- 12th Grade - SAT School Day - Wednesday October 11, 2023
- 10th & 11th Grades - PSAT/NMSQT - Thursday October 12, 2023
- 9th Grade - PSAT 8/9 - Thursday October 12, 2023

Benefits include the following:

- customized skill-based practice to increase readiness through Khan Academy carefully crafted to improve and polish necessary academic skills.
- a personalized list of careers and potential college majors and the ability to learn about them.
- access to the CollegeBoard's interactive college and career planning website.
- an online score report, including projected SAT® score ranges, state percentiles, and the ability to sort answer explanations by difficulty and question type.

Seniors will be able to report scores to colleges and universities through their CollegeBoard account. School counselors will continue to work with seniors to support their college application process. Score reports for the SAT will be available early November.

Through the CollegeBoard's student search feature, colleges and funding entities can offer your child opportunities of which he/she/they might be unaware. Additionally, as a junior the PSAT is the entry point for the prestigious National Merit Qualifying Scholarships. Your child's participation as a sophomore and Freshman will provide necessary practice to improve his/her performance when it counts. This is just one way the College Board is making your child's path to excellence easier.

The SAT Suite of Assessments emphasize the skills that enhance careers, including problem solving in science, social science, and other real-world contexts. Additional information such as sample questions and study guides can be found online. Parents may sign up for a dedicated newsletter at <http://www.collegeboard.com/parents/>

Sincerely,

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