

October 3, 2022

Dear Austin High School Parent/Guardian,

This is a very important letter regarding the upcoming **PSAT assessment** scheduled to take place on **Wednesday, October 12, 2022.** For this testing day, FBISD will implement an approved assessment waiver to reduce interruptions during testing at Austin High School. Please see the information below:

- School day starts at 7:30 a.m.
- All 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will be taking the PSAT test and should arrive to their testing classroom by 7:30 a.m.
  - $\circ$  Students will be notified of their testing room via their school e-mail.
- All non-testers, who are <u>classified as seniors</u>, should arrive by 10:30 a.m. and will report to the auditorium. Attendance will be taken and tardies will be counted.
- Students will utilize normal transportation to school as there are no additional routes this day
- No visitors will be allowed on campus on test day

Per the State of Texas, all students must be in attendance at least **4 hours** on each instructional day. Non-testers <u>classified as seniors</u> will be allowed "late arrival" and therefore be present for official attendance-taking at the conclusion of the PSAT testing. The approved state waiver will allow our district to take official attendance at an alternate time. If any non-testing senior is not present in the auditorium by **10:30 a.m.**, they will be marked absent. Students who are not required to test and who do not show up can be in jeopardy of loss of credit and loss of semester exam exemption.

Feel free to contact your child's assistant principal or counselor should you need further information regarding the contents of this letter. PSAT study guides are available to 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students through their English class. Students can also find study resources by navigating to the <u>College Board: Study Resources</u> website. PSAT 8/9 does not have a study guide, but students can find study tips and tools by navigating to the <u>College Board: Learn About the PSAT 8/9</u> website.

## **Calculators:**

9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students will need to bring their own calculator if they choose to use one, but it is not required. Please review the <u>SAT Calculator Policy</u> to ensure the calculator meets the College Board requirements. 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will be provided a calculator by AHS. Students may bring a snack that they can have during the breaks.

Sincerely,

Paige Tomlin Campus Assessment Coordinator Austin High School

## Full Web Addresses for Links above:

PSAT/NMSQT practice: <u>https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/practice/full-length-practice-tests</u> PSAT 8/9 information: <u>https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-8-9</u> Calculator Policy: <u>https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/taking-the-test/calculator-policy</u>