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PSAT REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR 11TH GRADE STUDENTS

The PSAT (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) will be administered at Cold Spring Harbor High School on Saturday, October 20, 2012. Test takers must arrive in the PAC by 7:30 am with their calculators and two #2 pencils. We do not provide calculators for those who forget them; the math test questions are able to be computed without a calculator. Snacks are permitted during the brief test breaks.

- The PSAT is a risk-free examination; scores are not released to colleges. You can visit <u>www.collegeboard.org/psat</u> for more information about the structure of the test.
- The counselors recommend that **all juniors** take the PSAT.
- Students must register and pay a \$35.00 fee to take the PSAT.
- Register at www.TotalRegistration.net/PSAT/331437
 It is important that the email address used when registering for the test be that of the <u>student</u>.
- The absolute deadline for PSAT registration is Monday, September 24, 2012 after which the registration site will close.

Please understand that proctors must be secured and trained, rooms and custodial tasks assigned, security matters arranged, and students with disabilities assured of receiving their pre-approved accommodations. These time-consuming tasks must be completed well in advance of the test to insure a smooth and accurate administration.

- Students who take the PSAT will receive their scores in early December along with their own test booklets and a list of correct answers, enabling them to turn their attention to any areas of weakness as they prepare for the SAT to be taken later in the year.
- A calendar that lists the examination dates and registration deadlines for the SAT and the ACT is enclosed. Please keep the calendar for future reference, as you must register for the official SAT and ACT tests directly on their websites. It is not too early to register now, especially for the June 2013 SAT/Subject Test administration, for which Long Island centers are usually filled by February. <u>Please note that some test centers</u>, <u>Cold Spring Harbor among them, do not accommodate students who have not</u> <u>registered in advance for the SAT or Subject Tests</u>.