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SUBJECT: October 2020 PSAT 8/9

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Woodland Middle School will offer the PSAT 8/9 on Wednesday, October 23, 2020. This assessment is more than a test; it focuses on the knowledge and skills to identify college and career readiness. The PSAT 8/9 tests the same skills and knowledge as the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, and PSAT 10—in a way that makes sense for eighth and ninth graders. It measures what they're already learning, shows them whether they're on track for college, and lets them know where they need the most improvement. That means students have time to tackle these areas long before they take the SAT.

Benefits of taking this test include the following:

- a tailored list of careers and potential college majors;
- access to the College Board'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

The PSAT also emphasizes problem solving skills in science, social science, and other real-world context that can enhance career awareness. Additional information such as sample questions and study guides can be found online. This link provides parents with additional information <http://www.collegeboard.com/parents/>.

This year we are opening the administration up to 7th graders that are interested in taking the test. However, it will only be the first ten 7th graders. The first ten to register will take the test. We will inform you once our 7th grade slots have been filled. 8th grade slots are also limited to 50 students. After we have filled all 8th grade slots, we will send notification. It is imperative if your student is interested in participating in the PSAT, we encourage you to register immediately. Students testing for the PSAT **MUST** take the test in the building; CollegeBoard has no modification for testing remotely. Please be advised that we will follow all safety procedures per our system guidelines.

Testing will begin promptly at 9:15 a.m. and will last for approximately 2 ½ hours. We ask that if your student is coming from home that they arrive to WMS no later than 8:45am. This way we can take care of proper safety and check in procedures before testing begins. Parents please be

advised, if your child is not present on the day of testing or arrives after testing has begun, payment **will not** be refunded.

The cost for the exam will be \$20.00 (**CASH ONLY - NO CHECKS - PLEASE**). Money must be brought to the school and turned in to Mrs. Lemming (our school bookkeeper) no later than 12:00 noon on Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

Please use this link <https://forms.gle/uwGZdfmckPsKW9uM9> to register through our Google Form. **PLEASE MAKE SURE TO REGISTER THROUGH THIS LINK. This link will also be accessible on our Woodland Middle School Webpage.** There is also a section on the link for you to provide us the day and time that you will be coming to the school to make your payment. This is so that Ms. Lemming can be prepared to properly assist in you handling your payments. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Miller at harold.miller@henry.k12.ga.us or by phone at (770) 389-2774. Thank you in advance!

Sincerely,

Jeff Miller – Counselor for 7th grade Team 701 and 8th grade