



**Oct. 4 & 11**

# PSAT 9 & PSAT/ NMSQT

## **When?**

Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> – PSAT 9

Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> – PSAT/NMSQT

## **Time?**

Test begins at 9:00am. Check-in at 8:30am.

Please allow 3 hours for the test.

## **Where?**

PSAT will take place at all Resource Centers.

## **How do I register?**

Sign up online through the TLC website by clicking on Events, but hurry space is limited!

## **Which test should I take?**

PSAT 9 is designed for 9<sup>th</sup> grade students.

PSAT/NMSQT is designed for 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students.

## **Why Should I take the PSAT?**

The general format of the PSAT is similar to that of the SAT, taking the PSAT gives you the opportunity to familiarize yourself with the types of questions you'll encounter on the SAT. Other reasons include:

- Your results will reveal your testing strengths and weaknesses and you can concentrate your study efforts on the areas that need improvement.
- A high PSAT score will give you a chance to enter the competition for National Merit Scholarships.

## **The National Merit Scholarship Program**

Each year approximately 1.5 million juniors take the PSAT and enter the National Merit Scholarship Program competition. The top 50,000 students as ranked by their overall selection indices are recognized as either Commended Students (34,000) or as Semifinalists (16,000). From the pool of finalists, approximately 8,200 students are awarded scholarships from National Merit Scholarship Corporation or sponsoring colleges or corporations.

## **Why You May Want to Prep for the PSAT**

In order to attract the brightest minds to their schools, many colleges offer National Merit scholars' huge incentives to attend their institutions. An increasing number are even offering FULL RIDES. That's right. National Merit scholar status could equal a full ride to college.