November 4, 2021

Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are pleased to inform you that Prince George’s County Public Schools will once again be paying for all 8th grade students to take the PSAT 8/9 this year. The PSAT 8/9 assessment will be given to all 8th grade students during the week of December 13, 2021. CMIT South will test on December 14, 2021. It will be used as part of the entrance criteria and/or to inform admission for the High School Specialty Programs listed in the table below. It is important that all students are present and strongly encouraged to do their best on the assessment.

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| Aerospace Engineering and Aviation Technology Program* DuVal
 | Academy of Health Sciences @ PGCC* Health Sciences
* Teacher Preparation
 | Science and Technology Program* Charles H. Flowers
* Eleanor Roosevelt
* Oxon Hill
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Notification of program eligibility will be available for viewing in the Scrib Order platform for all students in the application pool in March 2022. **Parents must set up an account with their student’s information at** [**https://pgcpsmdc.scriborder.com/**](https://pgcpsmdc.scriborder.com/). Students who meet the necessary eligibility requirements will be invited to enroll in one of the programs included in their electronic notification. Parents and students are encouraged to respond as soon as possible upon receipt of the notice of eligibility and waitlist status, as program seats will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Students must follow the designated program procedure to secure enrollment.

The PSAT 8/9 is part of the suite of assessments from the College Board. The PSAT 8/9 will provide all students with early feedback on the skills and knowledge essential for college and career success, while providing them with exposure to new test questions and concepts. The test is also designed to reflect the work students are doing in the classroom.

Free and personalized review materials aligned to the PSAT 8/9 are available at [www.satpractice.org](http://www.satpractice.org). Khan Academy has partnered with College Board to offer study plans specifically designed for each student based on diagnostic quizzes. With student/parent permission, Khan Academy will use their score results to create a study plan personalizedfor them. For general information about the PSAT 8/9, please visit: [www.psat.org/8-9](http://www.psat.org/8-9).

If you have any questions related to test registration please contact Ms. Pamela Stewart, Test Administration Specialist for Elementary and Middle School, at pamela.stewart@pgcps.org or Mrs. LeKeisha Render, Test Administration Specialist for High School, at lekeisha.render@pgcps.org. For questions about Specialty Programs please contact Mrs. Desann Manzano-Lee, Coordinating Supervisor, Specialty Programs, at desann.manzanolee@pgcps.org.

Thank you for partnering with us in your child’s education!

Sincerely,

 

Jaime Bowers

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