



What is it?

The **PSAT/NMSQT** (or National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) is a preliminary version of the SAT. Not only does the **PSAT** help prepare students to take the SAT or ACT, if a great score is obtained on the **PSAT/NMSQT** it can also open the door to National Merit Scholarships and other awards.



Who takes the PSAT?

High school students interested in opening opportunities for their future take the PSAT. Freshmen take the PSAT 9 and sophomores and juniors take the PSAT/NMSQT. In the US approximately 3.5 million students take the PSAT/NMSQT each year.

Why is there a PSAT 9 for freshmen?

The PSAT 9 is a normed test for freshmen to help them figure out how to be most successful in their college readiness path. It tests the same skills and knowledge as the PSAT/NMSQT & SAT in a way that makes sense for their grade level. It will help freshman establish a baseline measurement for college and career readiness as well as getting a preview on what skills will be necessary to be successful on the PSAT/NMSQT & SAT. Finally, it will identify what honors/IB/AP track they might be best suited for.

When will CHANDLER HIGH offer the PSAT 9 and the PSAT/NMSQT (10th & 11th)?

The PSAT 9 will be offered at Chandler High on October 26, 2016.

The PSAT/NMSQT will be offered at Chandler High on October 19, 2016.

When and How do students sign up for the PSAT 9 or the PSAT/NMSQT?

Registration payment will be open the second week of August and payment is taken at the **Chandler High Bookstore**. Note the fee schedule below...

Fee:

PSAT 9 = \$10

PSAT/NMSQT = \$20

Resources to review...

PSAT 9 – How to get ready, click link below

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-8-9/inside-the-test>

PSAT/NMSQT – How to get ready, click the links below

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/taking-the-tests>

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/practice>

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