



# Class of 2022 PSAT 411

## JWMHS

**Wednesday, October 30, 2019**

**Location:** 10<sup>th</sup> graders will be assigned classrooms  
TEST IS FREE for all 10<sup>th</sup> grade students!

**Time: 8:29 a.m.** to check-in. You will be assigned a testing location

### Test Format:

Section	Sub-Section	Total Testing Time & Breakdown	Number of Questions	Content/Skills Covered
Evidence-Based Reading & Writing	Reading	60 minutes	47	Reading and vocabulary in context
	Writing	35 minutes	44	Grammar and usage
Math		70 minutes: 1 45-minute calculator-optional section and 1 25-minute no-calculator section	47	Heart of algebra, problem-solving & data analysis, passport to advanced math, additional topics (geometry, trigonometry and pre-calculus)

### How it's scored:

PSAT scores are calculated in much the same way as the new SAT scores:

- Students earn 1 point for each question answered correctly.
- Students neither lose nor gain points for questions answered incorrectly.
- Students neither lose nor gain points for questions that are skipped.



### **How it's scored continued:**

The PSAT is divided into two sections: Math and Evidence-Based Reading & Writing. Because there is no penalty for guessing, a student's raw score for both of the main test areas is the number of questions answered correctly. Raw scores are then converted to scaled scores ranging between 160 and 760 (760 is the highest possible score for each section). The raw scores are added together for the total PSAT score, or Selection Index, which ranges between 320 and 1520.

### **TAKE the PSAT SERIOUSLY! Do your best!**

Some practical Advice:

- ✓ Learn the format and timing of the test
- ✓ *Become familiar with kinds of questions asked*
- ✓ Know the directions for each kind of question
- ✓ Create your collegeboard account today to take advantage of free practice!
- ✓ <http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/psat/about.html> for more information on PSAT

*If you score high as a sophomore you may want to take the PSAT again as a junior to try to obtain the National Merit Scholarship.*

**Online PSAT information: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)**

**Be sure to read the student bulletin for calculator requirements.**

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/pdf/official-student-guide-psat-10.pdf>



**Bring sharpened #2 pencils!**



***Eat a good breakfast and you may bring a snack and a sweatshirt (sometimes testing locations can be chilly!)***