

August 26, 2020

Dear 8th Grade Student and Parent:

You are invited to take the **Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) on Saturday, October 17th, 2020 at Springfield Middle School**. The test is optional for students to take and is for practice purposes only, however, scores may be looked at to qualify students for Junior Scholars.

The PSAT is a national assessment that measures critical reading, math reasoning, and writing skills that are important for successful academic performance in college.

The cost to take the test is \$18. If you are interested in taking this optional assessment, please submit your payment online by following these instructions:

Access the website: <https://www.studentquickpay.com/fort-mill/>

1. Log in or create an account
2. Click on the tab for your SMS student
3. Click on "PSAT Test Fee" to add this to your cart
4. Click on "View Cart" and Checkout

PSAT test fees must be paid no later than Monday, September 14th, 2020.

Return the completed Parent Permission for PSAT Administration Form located on the back of this sheet to Mrs. Drakeford at SMS or via email (drakeforp@fortmillschools.org) by Monday, September 14th, 2020.

Prior to the test date, students will receive a PSAT student guide which includes test-taking tips and a full-length practice test. For more information about the PSAT, please go to this website: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>

If students are absent the day of the PSAT, there will not be a make-up exam and paid fees will not be refunded.

The results of the test are expected to be sent to me at the school by the end of January 2021. Students will then be given copies of their score sheets, with instructions on how to access online reports and resources.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks for your interest in taking the PSAT!

Sincerely,

Patrice T. Drakeford
School Counselor
Springfield Middle School
803-548-8199

Parental Permission for PSAT Administration

I give Springfield Middle School and the Fort Mill School District permission to administer the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) to my student on Saturday, October 17th, 2020 at Springfield Middle School.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

Parent or Legal Guardian Phone Number _____

Student Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Homeroom _____

Please return this form to Mrs. Drakeford in the SMS guidance office or via email (drakefordp@fortmillschools.org) no later than Monday, September 14th, 2020!