

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

The PSAT/NMSQT is right around the corner! The Preliminary SAT (PSAT) is a test designed to help students practice for the SAT. It is also used to determine eligibility for scholarships awarded by the **National Merit Scholarship Corporation** AND can be used as a **concordant score for the Algebra 1 EOC** (if your student did not initially pass the exam). If you are the parent/guardian of a 9<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grader at BTHS please see the details below or [CLICK HERE>>](#) to view the BTHS Testing website.

- **Test Name:** PSAT/NMSQT
- **Test Date:** Wednesday, October 10
- **Test Time/Location:** 9:15am in alphabetical homerooms
- **Test Cost:** \$20 for 9<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> grade ONLY (no cost to Sophomores)

[CLICK HERE>>](#) to access the payment/registration site through SchoolPay. **THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS SEPTEMBER 10, 2018...NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

#### **WHY SHOULD I PAY FOR THE RESULTS?**

- To obtain feedback on your strengths and weaknesses on skills necessary for college study. You can then focus your preparation on those areas that could most benefit from additional study or practice.
- To see how your performance on an admissions test might compare with that of others applying to college.
- To enter the competition for scholarships from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (grade 11).
- To help prepare for the SAT. You can become familiar with the kinds of questions and the exact directions you will see on the SAT.
- For students who have not passed the Algebra 1 EOC, to achieve a concordant score for graduation purposes.
- All students who take the PSAT/NMSQT receive access to *My College QuickStart* - an easy-to-use, online, personalized college and career planning kit. This useful tool incorporates the responses that you provided when you took the test.
- \*Please note that testing accommodations for the PSAT must be approved by Collegeboard. Only students with Collegeboard approval will be allowed to receive accommodations.

**MAKE THE MOST OF THIS OPPORTUNITY!**