#### **BEFORE PSAT TEST DAY:**

Dear Students and Parents,

Each school year, the Indiana Department of Education pays for students in grades 10 & 11 to take the PSAT/NMSQT. *Penn High School will be administering the test to all students in grades 10 & 11 on Wednesday, October 15, 2025.* The PSAT is of increased importance in recent years, as it helps our students prepare for the school day SAT Test that all 11th graders are required to take annually for school accountability purposes. A qualifying score on the SAT can also serve as a student's graduation pathway, and can lead to merit scholarships for trade schools, community colleges, four-year colleges/universities, and more. We want our students to perform well in order to experience these benefits for their future endeavors. Please read the information below related to the October 15 PSAT.

### Students in Grades 10 & 11

- Plan to arrive at school and report to your assigned testing room no later than 8:25 a.m. on October 15. Room assignments will be posted near the Main Office the week of testing.
- Prioritize getting a good night's sleep and eating a healthy breakfast.
- Testing will be conducted digitally, so students will need to bring their Chromebook fully charged, as well as their charger.
- Sophomores & Juniors who attend programs such as Pennway, EACC, Building Trades, Cadet Teaching, etc. should report for testing.
- Standard time testing will conclude by 11:55 a.m.
- Extended time testing will conclude by 1:10 p.m.

Standard Time (1st floor)		Standard Time	Standard Time (2nd floor)		Extended Time Testers	
First Bell	8:05	First Bell	8:05	First Bell	8:05	
Testing	8:25-11:55	Testing	8:25-11:55	Testing	8:25-1:10	
Lunch B	12:04-12:34	Study Hall	11:55-12:39	Lunch D	1:15-1:45	
Study Hall	12:39-3:17	Lunch C	12:39-1:09	Study Hall	1:51-3:17	
Dismissal	3:17	Study Hall	1:14-3:17	Dismissal	3:17	
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If you have questions about the day's schedule, please contact the Testing Office. Mr. Hall can be reached via email at <a href="mailto:dhall@phm.k12.in.us">dhall@phm.k12.in.us</a> or by phone at 574-258-9507.

## Students in Grades 9 & 12

- Seniors who attend programs such as Building Trades, Cadet Teaching, internships, and the Elkhart Area Career Center should report to those programs in accordance with their normal schedule on October 15.
- Seniors enrolled in Independent Study courses through Edmentum should prioritize working on those modules.
- All freshmen and seniors will engage in asynchronous elearning activities, provided by their Black Day teachers. This information will be available to students by 8:25 a.m. on October 15 via Canvas.

If you are the parent of a sophomore or junior and wish for your student to be dismissed at the completion of testing, please complete this digital <u>Early Release Form</u>. Standard time students will

be dismissed at 12:00 p.m. at the earliest. Extended time students may be dismissed at 1:10 p.m. at the earliest.

Sincerely,

Dr. Sean Galiher

Principal

# **COMMUNICATION FOR KN (10/10/25):**

# Students in Grades 10 & 11: Wednesday, October 15, PSAT Information

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# Students in Grades 9 & 12: Wednesday, October 15, eLearning Information

- Students will engage in asynchronous elearning activities from home, provided by their Black Day teachers.
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- View a video walkthrough of the score report: <a href="voutube.com/watch?v=ie6WBDzitGA">voutube.com/watch?v=ie6WBDzitGA</a>
- Learn more about understanding and using scores: <a href="mailto:psat.org/scores">psat.org/scores</a>
- Connect to colleges with Student Search Service®: studentsearch.collegeboard.org
- Practice for the SAT: <u>satpractice.org</u>

**Please note:** We do not have access to College Board login information, as it is student-created. Please do <u>not</u> have students create a second account if one has already been created. For login help, please call the College Board helpline at 866-630-9305.

Scoring in the 90th+ percentile on the PSAT is quite an accomplishment and denotes a student's ability to manage a more difficult course load. In recognition of such an accomplishment on the PSAT, any student meeting the criteria and not previously identified as High Ability (HA) has now been identified. The HA label will be added in Skyward.

Sincerely,

Dr. Sean Galiher
Principal

**CONNECT TO SCHOLARSHIPS** 



Dear Parents/Guardians of 11th grade students,

Your junior's PSAT Score Report from the Fall 2024 administration is available online to students at <a href="http://studentscores.collegeboard.org">http://studentscores.collegeboard.org</a>. The PSAT results are of increased importance this school year, as they will help our students prepare for the school day SAT that all 11th graders take during the spring of their junior year for school accountability purposes. A qualifying score on the SAT can serve as a student's graduation pathway, and lead to merit scholarships for trade schools, community colleges, four-year colleges/universities, and more. We want our students to perform well in order to experience

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The practice link provided above is something that should be familiar to all juniors. They have been using this resource, and others, to get individualized practice and feedback during their Math and English/Language Arts courses. Teachers will continue to review important topics that will help students be successful on the SAT.

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If you have questions about how your PSAT results connect to college admissions, scholarships, and postsecondary plans, contact your counselor.

#### **GRADE 11 COUNSELORS**

Lynn Stratford: A - CatunaoSandy Hunter: Caudillo - Galiher

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 Julie Fell: Pal - Slavinskas

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