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It is now time to register for the PSAT/NMSQT. If you want to take the test, please complete the registration form at the bottom of this page, detach it, and return it with your payment of \$20.00 in an envelope to **Mrs. Thomasson in guidance**. She will give you a receipt. Make checks payable to **Spanish Fort High School and include a phone # on the check**. Anyone in the 10th and 11th grades may take the test. **DEADLINE to register is August 30th**.

If you receive accommodations for testing, you must register by August 26th.

On **Wednesday, October 30th**, Spanish Fort High School will administer the PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) at 8:00 A.M. Any student may take the test, but **it is designed for students in the top 10% in the nation** who want to compete to become a **National Merit Scholar**. Testing 10th graders gives them knowledge of the mechanics of the test and provides them with practice for the junior-year test. **For juniors, a good score on the test is the first step in entering the National Merit Scholarship Corporation competitions for scholarships and recognition.**

Students who are designated National Merit Scholars receive thousands of dollars in scholarship money. Most colleges and universities give full tuition scholarships to National Merit Scholars. Some colleges also provide room and board, books, and computers to National Merit Scholars along with stipends. Colleges and universities want National Merit Scholars to attend their schools.

The PSAT/NMSQT also provides other information to students.

- The PSAT measures reading, math, and writing skills needed for college.
- Students can find “gaps” in their skills and make plans to fill those gaps before college begins.
- The PSAT gives students a chance to see how their skills compare with those of other top students who apply to college.
- The Student Search Service gives test takers the option to voluntarily place their names and addresses in a pool of college-bound students interested in receiving admission and financial aid information from certified colleges, universities, and scholarship agencies.
- The PSAT provides practice for the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test for college admission).
- All students who take the PSAT/NMSQT will receive a personalized *My College QuickStart* and interactive college and career planning with *MyRoad* by internet access until they graduate from high school.

A PSAT/NMSQT information booklet will be given to you when you register. This information will help you prepare for the test - **so register ASAP. Don't forget to bring your calculator on test day!**

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PSAT/NMSQT Registration – DUE August 30th (Aug. 26th if you require accommodations) - \$20.00

Student Name: _____ Grade Level: ____ Accommodations: Yes or No

Parent Name _____ Pd by Check: _____ Pd Cash: _____

Home Phone: _____ e-mail: _____