Dear Wakefield Parents and Students,

We wanted to take the opportunity as we prepare for the 2021-2022 school year to share some information regarding the PSAT, the Pre-ACT, and ACT.

## PSAT

Wakefield High School will offer the PSAT/NMSQT in-person on October 13, 2021 at 7:30 am. Unlike last year, we will no longer be restricting participants to students in the 11th grade. Please be aware that the PSAT/NMSQT contains problems with Algebra I and Geometry concepts. Therefore, we highly encourage all students who passed Math I participate. A byproduct of the PSAT/NMSQT is AP Potential. AP Potential identifies students who may find success in taking an AP course. Success in an AP course is scoring a 3, 4, or 5 on the AP exam. Click here for the PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide (https://tinyurl.com/CollegeReadinessStudent21).

The PSAT/NMSQT allows 11th grade students the opportunity to potentially qualify for a National Merit scholarship if they receive a very high score (generally the top 1%). For this reason, WCPSS is offering the test free of charge to those students with a weighted GPA of 4.3125 or higher. The PSAT will be \$18.00 and the fee must be submitted prior to testing. Please complete the <u>link</u> (https://tinyurl.com/WHSPSAT21) for registration by September 10, 2021:

Students who wish to test with accommodations must have information submitted to College Board by August 24, 2021. Please reach out to our testing coordinator, Amy Russell (arrussell@wcpss.net) by August 17, 2021 in efforts to submit the requested information.

## PreACT

All sophomores will take the PreACT on Wednesday, November 3, 2021, as part of North Carolina's college readiness initiative. There is no need to pre-register or sign up. All 10th grade students will take the PreACT for free. Sophomores should be present on campus by 7:20 am. If students have an ACT approved Graphing Calculator, they should bring it with them, though all math problems can be solved without a calculator. Makeups will be administered November 10, 2021 in media center at 7:30 am. Please email Amy Russell with questions (arrussell@wcpss.net). Click here for the PreAct At a Glance.

## ACT

The ACT will be administered to all juniors on March 1, 2021 at 7:30 am. No registration is required. If students have an ACT-approved graphing calculator, they should bring it with them, though all math problems can be solved without a calculator. If students plan to utilize accommodations, all information will need to be submitted to ACT prior to December 21, 2021. Please reach out to Amy Russell (arrussell@wcpss.net) with any questions. We have two makeups dates this school year- March 15th and March 29th. Please click <u>here</u> for test preparation information. (https://tinyurl.com/ACTPREP2122).

Again, please contact our testing coordinator, Ms. Amy Russell (arussell@wcpss.net) if you have any questions.