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March 10, 2023

Dear Cavalier Parents/Guardians,

On Wednesday, March 22, 2023, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) will offer the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) free of charge to all Grade 11 students at each local high school. The SAT is an essential measure of each student's readiness for college and careers that many colleges and universities use in the admissions process. By offering the SAT during the school day, it helps to remove barriers associated with college entrance examinations and ensures equitable access to these critical steps to college and career readiness.

School will begin at 7:45 am on March 22 for all students. School buses will run at their normal times. While Grade 11 students are testing, Grade 9 students will participate in a class meeting and an assembly, Grade 10 students will participate in mock AP exams and a MYP Personal Project workshop. Grade 12 students will participate in college and career readiness activities and will have an opportunity to earn SSL hours. Select students will also take the ACCUPLACER test.

On test day, Grade 11 students will first participate in a pre-administration session, where students will provide College Board information such as name, school, state, student ID, grade, gender, and date of birth. MCPS shares information with the College Board regarding students who qualify for a fee waiver, which is utilized solely for that purpose and is not otherwise tracked or maintained by the College Board.

Additionally, with your consent, your child will be able to participate in the optional Student Data Questionnaire. The College Board gives students and families complete discretion regarding any voluntary information they provide as part of the Student Data Questionnaire. Information is gathered for: group reporting, analysis to ensure the exams are fair for all groups, connecting your child with potential colleges or scholarship opportunities, and for research. Please read more about the Student Data Questionnaire below.

To provide consent for your child to participate in the optional Student Data Questionnaire, you must return a signed consent form before the school pre-administration session. Whether or not you consent for your child to participate in the optional Student Data Questionnaire, your child will still have the opportunity participate in SAT School Day on Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

More information about our SAT testing day will be shared soon, but if you have any questions, please contact our testing coordinators, Mr. Sam Levine at <u>Samuel G Levine@mcpsmd.org</u> or Ms. DeyJah Chappell at <u>Deyjah A Chappell@mcpsmd.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Dr. Joe Rubens Principal

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SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST (SAT) SCHOOL DAY CONSENT FORM

As part of the administration of the SAT, your child will have the opportunity to participate, with your consent, in the optional Student Data Questionnaire. Your child's responses to all questions on the Student Data Questionnaire, other than the required registration questions, are optional as explained in the inserted copy of the SAT Student Answer Sheet Instructions.

The Questionnaire can help:

• Give counselors and college admission officers information to help your child plan for the future. The more information they have, the more assistance they can provide to you.

• Provide information to the College Board that ensures the exam is a fair and accurate test for all students.

• Are used by the College Board for research and planning to improve our tests and services.

• Contribute—combined with responses of all other students taking the same exam—to an understanding of your graduating class. This lets colleges and universities deliver programs and opportunities to serve you and your classmates.

•A primary benefit of completing the optional Student Data Questionnaire is to participate in Student Search Service, which is a program that connects your child to college and scholarship opportunities that reflect your child's interests.

If you choose to permit your child to complete the optional Student Data Questionnaire, the data your child provides will be added to your child's College Board student record, even if you choose not to participate in Student Search Service.

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has a data sharing agreement with the College Board for the administration of the SAT. The College Board has assured MCPS that it only shares data with eligible colleges, universities, scholarships, and educational opportunity programs that sign a license agreement with the College Board. The College Board consistently monitors these organizations' use of student information for compliance. Individual student scores are not shared through Student Search Service, and you may withdraw your participation in Student Search Service at any time. To be clear, completion of the Student Data Questionnaire and participation in Student Search Service are optional and voluntary for all students. Learn more in the College Board Privacy Policy, which covers the Student Data Questionnaire, at www.collegeboard.org/privacy-policy.

More information on the SAT can be found here: <u>https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10</u>

I provide consent for my child to complete the optional Student Data Questionnaire and participate in the College Board's Student Search Service, as part of the pre-administration process for the PSAT administration in MCPS.

Printed Student Name	Student ID #
Student Signature	Date:
Printed Parent/Guardian Name:	
Parent/Guardian Signature Date:	