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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would like to thank you for your support and understanding as the East Orange School District (EOSD) and the East Orange community continue to respond and recover to the unexpected impact of COVID-19. While we are in the business of educating students, our top priority is making decisions based on the health and safety of our students and employees.

This letter is written to inform you of a special opportunity we are offering select Juniors within our High Schools. **On Wednesday, October 14, 2020**, we will be administering the PSAT. The PSAT measures skills that are important for success in college; is the qualifying test for entry to the National Merit Scholarship competitions; is an excellent practice for the SAT; and more importantly, the PSAT results can be used to meet the testing requirements for graduation in New Jersey.

The students that are participating in this testing opportunity should report to their school at 8:30 AM on Wednesday, October 14th. Students will be provided a light breakfast and a "grab and go" lunch after the test is completed (1:00 PM). All students must wear a mask to enter and will have their temperature taken before entering the building.

We have followed all CDC guidance to ensure the safety of our staff and students returning to school for this assessment opportunity. However, we understand and respect the fact that there may be some parents that do not feel comfortable sending their children back to school at this time. If this is your choice, we kindly ask that you inform your scholar's principal or school counselor via email, no later than Wednesday, October 7.

We hope your child can take full advantage of this opportunity. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact the main office of the school your child is assigned. **We look forward to greeting our scholars on Wednesday, October 14, 2020.**

All the best,



Mr. AbdulSaleem Hasan
Superintendent of Schools

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