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Dear 8th Grade Parents/Guardians:

Please be advised that your 8th grade son/daughter will be administered the PSAT 8/9 standardized test on Thursday, October 26, 2023. This College Board exam is offered free of charge to all Jersey City 8th grade students. The purpose of the PSAT 8/9 is to establish a starting point in terms of college and career readiness as students transition into high school.

The PSAT 8/9 has three testing areas: Reading, Writing and Language and Math. The Reading and Writing subject areas are combined for an Evidence-Based Reading and Writing section score. Math has its own separate section score. On the PSAT 8/9, students will receive a total score between 240 and 1440, which is the sum of the two section scores in Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and Math that each range from 120 to 720. You'll also get three test scores for Reading, Writing, and Math that each range from 6-36. The higher the combined score your child receives will improve his/her chances of being accepted to the premier Jersey City high schools: McNair Academic High School, Infinity High School, County Prep, and High Tech.

Please help your child to be prepared for testing day by ensuring that they get plenty of rest the night before the exam. Breakfast will be provided for the students, in the classroom right before the test.

We thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



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