Dear Families,

This school year, the San Juan Unified School District will be providing the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) test to all 10th grade students at no cost on Wednesday, October 14, 2015. This precollege assessment is a tool for educators, students, and parents to see student progress toward college readiness.

By providing the PSAT for all 10th grade students:

- Schools will be able to identify 10th grade students with potential to succeed in Advance Placement (AP) course work and encourage them enroll in AP courses
- Students will be able to access additional college readiness materials targeted to their areas of need prior to taking the SAT
- San Juan USD is removing barriers to college entry for under-served populations including first-generation college-going students.

The offices of Secondary Education, Assessment, Evaluation and Planning, and Equity and Student Achievement have coordinated with Mira Loma to register all of our 10th graders for this exam. Parents/guardians who do not wish to have their child test will need to “Opt Out” of the testing in writing to the school site administration via a parent letter. Questions regarding the test should be directed to Lynne Tracy in the Vice Principal’s office.

The schedule for the testing day is on the reverse of this letter. All 9th, 11th, and 12th grade students not testing should not arrive at school before the 10:40 AM assembly in the gym.

Sincerely,

Lynne M Tracy
Mira Loma Vice Principal