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RE: October 14, 2020 SAT / October 17, 2020 PSAT

Dear PRHS Students,

The decision on Friday for PRHS to switch to remote learning was made in concert with NYSED and the Department of Health guidance and out of an abundance of caution given information we received regarding a COVID-19 case and early tracing efforts. Please know that tracing activities by the DOH is in its early stages and there remains a lot of work in that area in order to understand the scope of impact. Please see the information below regarding this week's upcoming SAT and PSAT exams.

SAT scheduled for Wednesday 10/14/2020:

Due to the need for PRHS to switch to remote learning, the SAT scheduled for Wednesday, October 14, 2020 during the school day has been cancelled. Our communication with the DOH regarding the decision to switch the high school to remote learning led to the need for this action. As a result, contact with the College Board regarding recent events impacting PRHS has resulted in our ability to add/open additional seats for the SAT being offered on our campus Saturday, November 7, 2020. Unfortunately, due to the College Board's scheduling of SAT's, no additional weekday exam is presently being offered. Additionally, if your choice is to take the Saturday, November 7, 2020 exam, you are asked to go into the College Board's website to register as soon as possible as the College Board only affords a first come, first serve registration policy. You will need to pay for the new date's exam (November 7, 2020) directly to the College Board upon registration; however,all parents will be issued a refund from the district for the cancelled October 14th exam. Unfortunately, due to the College Board's rules, payments and refunds need to work this way.

PSAT scheduled for Saturday 10/17/2020:

Due to the need for PRHS to switch to remote learning, the PSAT scheduled for Saturday, October 17, 2020 has been cancelled. Our communication with the Department of Health regarding the decision to switch the high school to remote learning led to the need for this action. We continue to discuss this matter with the College Board to work on a solution regarding a new test date. At this time, we anticipate establishing a new test date and will send communication once plans are in place. Any parent wishing not to reschedule, will be refunded their payment for the October 17, 2020 test payment. Additional directions regarding the logistics for refunds will be forthcoming. Understanding the importance of the test, we have been working on the best solutions within the options available. Please look for additional communication as this will be sent when concrete plans are confirmed.

We thank you for your patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Murphy