

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH, 2021

Dear Pope Families,

Many schools across the country offer the PSAT/NMSQT test to their high school students. This year the national PSAT day is October 13th. On this day we will have an alternate bell schedule in order to accommodate the large number of students who test at Pope.

Pope PSAT Bell Schedule for Wednesday, October 13, 2021

8:20-12:20	PSAT (all 10 th graders and 9 th -11 th grade students who paid the fee by 9/14) ASVAB Testing (juniors only – must sign up in Counseling office by 9/14) Senior Activities in main gym 9 th & 11 th grade students who did not pay the PSAT fee will have an alternative activity
12:20-12:46	3 rd Period
12:46-12:51	Class Change
12:51-1:14	4 th Period
1:14-1:19	Class Change
1:19-1:42	5 th Period
1:42-1:47	Class Change
1:47-2:10	6 th Period
2:10-3:30	X-Block

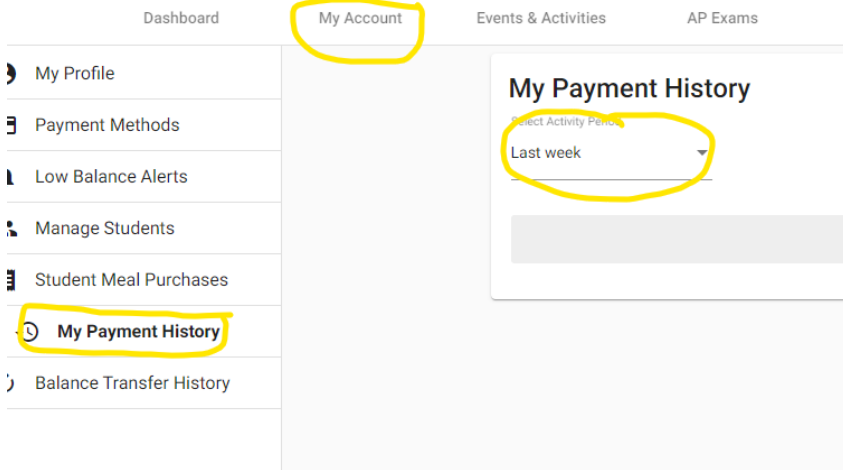
All Sophomores will be participating in taking the PSAT/NMSQT that morning. The state has funded the test for all sophomores in the state of Georgia so no extra payment is required for 10th graders.

Freshman and Junior students can also participate in the PSAT/NMSQT test administration. **The testing fee is \$18.00.** This testing fee and participation in the PSAT/NMSQT test provides students with practice and exposure to standardized tests along with feedback on college readiness and free personalized SAT test prep through [KhanAcademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org). For more information about the benefits of taking the PSAT/NMSQT, click [HERE](#). For interested **juniors**, the PSAT/NMSQT test is required for entry into the [National Merit Scholarship](#) program.

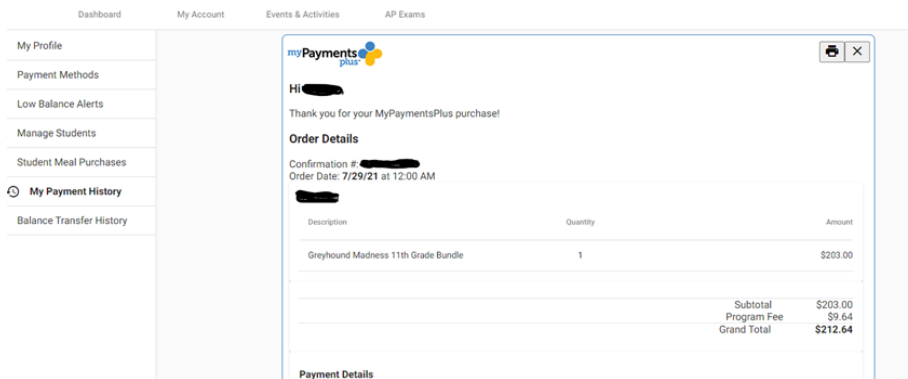
Students in the 9th and 11th grades who would like to participate in the October 13th PSAT test administration, and did not pay for the PSAT in MyPaymentsPlus as part of the Bundle or as an a la carte item, **must submit payment using [MyPaymentsPlus](#) by 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 14th. Regretfully, no payments can be accepted after 4:00 P.M. for any reason.**

You can check to see if you paid the PSAT fee (whether through the Bundle or a la carte) by:

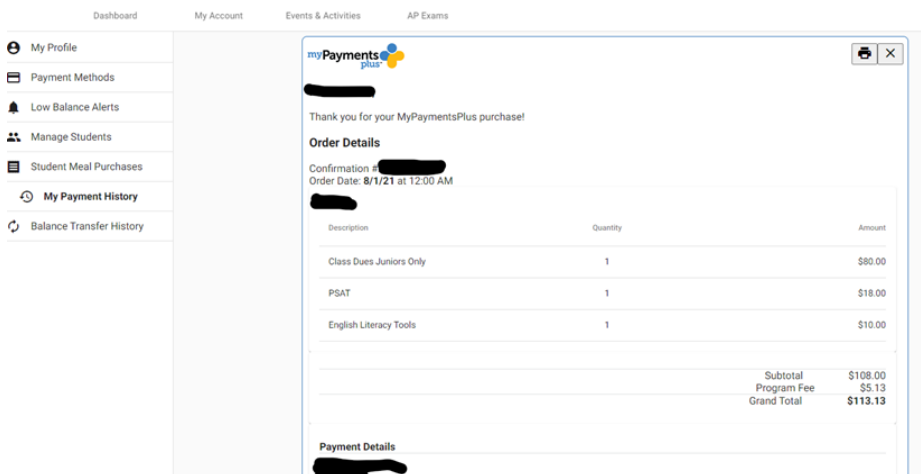
- 1) Logging onto MyPayments Plus
- 2) Click on “My Account” at the top
- 3) Click on “My Payment History”
- 4) Under My Payment History – change “select activity period to “6 months”



5) If you see that you purchased the Bundle, you know that you have paid the PSAT fee as it was included



6) If you purchased the PSAT as an a la carte item, you should see it listed



Alternate Oct. 13th Test Day Options

ASVAB for 11th graders

11th graders who do not wish to take the PSAT have the option to sign up for the ASVAB.

11th grade students interested in taking the ASVAB in lieu of the PSAT need to come to the counseling office in room 102 to sign up before 4:00pm Tuesday, Sept. 14th

The ASVAB is a free Career Exploration Test Battery. ASVAB stands for the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery. The ASVAB is not just a test for students interested in the military! This is a great opportunity for your student to link their achievement with their interest and to explore careers related to this information. The program is a FREE comprehensive career exploration and planning program that includes the most widely used multiple-aptitude test battery in the world. The Program also offers an interest inventory and other activities designed to help students explore the world of work and gain confidence in making career decisions. For more information about the ASVAB click [HERE](#). Pope staff will be administering the ASVAB the morning of Oct. 13th, however, a military representative may be present that morning to provide assistance.

NOTE: Information is collected from students who choose to participate. In order to score tests and provide appropriate results, the required student information fields include - student name, date of birth, gender, education level, and post-secondary intention. Social Security Number is not collected. Pope has selected NOT to have scores released to recruiters, however, if a student would like, they can request for a military recruiter to contact them via the counseling office.

Any 9th or 11th grade student who does not complete the necessary steps for the PSAT or ASVAB by the Sept. 14th deadline will participate in an alternate testing day activity until 12:20pm.