Reach High Scholars Program P.O. Box 982 Raymond, N.H. 03077

September 8, 2016

Dear RHS Sophomore & Junior Families:

Again this year, the Reach High Scholars Program and Academic Approach will be conducting **PSAT Prep Classes for sophomores and juniors on three consecutive Saturdays (Oct. 1st, 8th and 15th), leading up to the test on Oct. 19th.** The classes will be at RHS, starting at 10:15 and ending by 12:15. Each session will have two 50-minute classes.

The PSAT test will be given at Raymond High School on Wednesday, October 19th to sophomores and juniors. The test takes 23/4 hours. It consists of a 60-minute reading test, a 35-minute writing and language test and a 70-minute math test. As indicated in a letter from Mr. Woodward to all parents, it will be **mandatory for sophomores**, unless their parents opt out.

PSAT scores give sophomores a first benchmark for deciding which colleges are realistic to consider. Sophomores will be comforted to know that scores will be much higher when they take the PSAT again in their junior year and start taking the SAT because they will have had more course work and SAT prep.

For juniors, PSAT scores will help them to qualify for National Merit and other scholarships. The PSAT is great practice for the SAT Test that will be will be mandatory for all juniors in the spring of 2017. The PSAT and SAT Tests were revised in early 2016 so that they now have similar question-types, content and scoring, making it possible to track a student's progress.

Academic Approach (<u>http://www.academicapproach.com/</u>) is a national company that provides test preparation in classrooms, on-line and through individual tutoring sessions. Their clients include public schools, charter schools and private day and boarding schools and they work with students from a wide range of economic backgrounds. They have just two clients in New Hampshire: RHS and Phillips Exeter Academy. **Reach High Scholars Program and Academic Approach provide RHS with the most extensive on-site PSAT and SAT Prep of any high school in New Hampshire.**

The fee for the PSAT prep course is \$90, with possible reductions based on household income. Please complete the Application Form attached to this letter and return it by September 19th to Reach High Scholars Program, P.O. Box 982, Raymond 03077 or to Shawna Stilian, College & Career Counselor, with a check in the appropriate amount.

Please contact Elizabeth Holcomb, Program Director of Reach High Scholars Program (<u>eholcomb10@gmail.com</u>; 603 285 5173) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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John F. McDaniels Chairman, Reach High Scholars Program **Control Your Destiny** <u>www.reachhighscholars.org</u>

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Parent's Name:					
Parent's E-mail Addre	ess:				
Student's Name					
Student's E-mail Add					
Home Address:					
	(street)	(town)	(zip	o code)	
Telephone Numbers:					
Home:	Parent's Cell:	S	tudent's Cell:		
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		<u>Fee:</u>	<u>\$45.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	
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Size	<u>Annual l</u>	Annual Income		
1	21,978	15,444		
2	29,637	20,826		
3	37,296	26,206		
4	44,955	31,590		
5	52,614	36,972		
6	60,273	42,364		
7	67,951	47,749		
8	75,647	53,157		
Each additional	7,606	5,406		