



July 2019

Carl Sandburg Junior Scholar:

Students in the Carl Sandburg Class of 2021 will take the PSAT/ NMSQT on October 16. For high-ability students, this exam is a qualifier for the National Merit Scholarship, the most prestigious of academic awards. Colleges, universities and corporations award scholarships based on the results of this exam. Giving Carl Sandburg students the competitive edge since 1988, ExcelEdge looks forward to sharing **PSAT 1520** with the Class of 2021.

**Give yourself the Edge.** A leader in Midwest test preparation, ExcelEdge has meticulously analyzed this College Board exam to ensure students receive a highly specialized program tailored to the PSAT/ NMSQT. You can count on experienced instructors who are certified content specialists to teach you point-producing offensive and defensive strategies to navigate difficult items. Our teaching team will show you exactly what to expect on this test. We will teach you how to eliminate choices, how to answer items quickly, and how to maximize your score. We will teach you how to think like the test maker. To see what our schools, our parents, and the graduates of our program have said, please visit our website: [www.exceledgeinc.com](http://www.exceledgeinc.com).

**Expect results.** Students with outstanding grades in their freshman and sophomore years have the potential to be competitive for National Merit Scholarship Program recognition. Comparative data from sophomore year to junior year proves that National Merit Semifinalists and Commended Scholars who have participated in **PSAT 1520** have doubled their growth in scores predicted by the College Board. While we are recommending that honors juniors enroll in **PSAT 1520**, we welcome other interested juniors.

**Register for PSAT 1520.** To join our program, which will be held at Carl Sandburg, please visit the ExcelEdge website – [www.exceledgeinc.com](http://www.exceledgeinc.com). The website also will give you information on the Tuesday program at Stagg and the Wednesday program at Andrew, alternate sites. If you prefer to register at Carl Sandburg in person, please write a check payable to Carl Sandburg and deliver your completed paperwork to the Carl Sandburg Cashier. Tuition is \$320. **Registration is now open and closes on August 16.** We will guarantee enrollment to students who meet the deadline. Please save these dates:

**Thursday evenings, 6-8:30 or 6:30-9 – 8/29, 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10**

**Contact us with any question.** We pride ourselves on personal attention, as you will discover. If you have a question on either test preparation or registration, please contact ExcelEdge – [info@exceledgeinc.com](mailto:info@exceledgeinc.com) or 219-838-0740. Or, you may visit the Resources section of our website where you will find responses to Frequently Asked Questions: [www.exceledgeinc.com](http://www.exceledgeinc.com). You also may ask Mr. Brian Klene, Associate Principal at Sandburg, 708-671-3114, or Mrs. Meredith Sheriff, Guidance Director, 708- 671-3120.

We look forward to sharing our game plan for success with students in the Class of 2021 of Carl Sandburg. Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Carol L. Talabay'.

Carol L. Talabay, MSED



## PSAT 1520 Registration '19 – Carl Sandburg

You may enroll in **PSAT 1520** classes being held at Carl Sandburg High School by completing a similar form on the ExcelEdge website or filling out this form to hand to the Carl Sandburg Cashier. Class rosters reminding you of your starting date and notifying you of your room assignment will be posted in your Guidance Office before classes begin. You also will receive a confirmation when you register and an email from your ExcelEdge supervisor before classes are underway.

### **PERSONAL DATA: PLEASE PRINT.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: Street Number \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ Parent at work (name) \_\_\_\_\_ (phone) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Student E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT COMMITMENT:** *I understand that **PSAT 1520** requires regular attendance and homework completion in order to benefit the most from the program.*

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT RELEASE:** *I authorize my child's school to give ExcelEdge, Inc., a copy of my student's PSAT/NMSQT score. I understand that this information will be used only for research and will remain confidential.*

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**CLASS SCHEDULE: PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR.** Please select your preferred course, indicating a first choice (1) and a second choice (2):

**At Carl Sandburg High School:** Thursdays (8/29 to 10/10) - no time preference \_\_\_\_\_  
Thursdays (8/29 to 10/10) - 6:00-8:30 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_  
Thursdays (8/29 to 10/10) - 6:30-9:00 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT:** Tuition is \$320. To register online through August 16 and pay with a credit card, please visit the ExcelEdge website – [www.exceledgeinc.com](http://www.exceledgeinc.com). If you prefer to write a check for your tuition, please deliver your check made payable to Carl Sandburg High School and this completed registration page to the Sandburg Cashier. **We guarantee placement to all students who register by this date.** Registration after August 16 is on a space available basis. We will not issue refunds once the program is underway.

We look forward to giving you the **1520 edge!**