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Order the PSAT 8/9 Online

The PSAT™ 8/9 is the first test in the SAT® Suite of Assessments, which also includes the PSAT™ 10, PSAT/NMSQT®, and SAT. It sets a readiness baseline, allowing students and teachers to pinpoint areas for focused practice as students progress to high school. And now, for the first time, any U.S. school can give the PSAT 8/9 digitally.

Sign Up—Sign In—Order

Schools and districts order the PSAT 8/9 on our ordering website, which walks them through a streamlined process. Accounts and test material orders can be managed directly.

Test coordinators need two things:

1. An account at ordering.collegeboard.org. If you used the site last year, sign in to your account with the same username and password. If it’s your first time registering, sign up for an account.

2. Your school and access codes.

DIGITAL TESTING

The choice is now yours: give the PSAT 8/9 digitally or on paper. Either way, students take the same test and get the same feedback. The testing periods are also the same but deadlines and other dates may differ. (The digital PSAT 8/9 is available only to U.S. schools at this time.)

RECEIVE MATERIALS EARLY

Save time by letting students fill out their identifying information before test day. The preadministration option is only available for U.S. schools testing on certain PSAT 8/9 test dates.

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THE BASICS

Who
8th and 9th graders

When
Schools choose a date.
Sept.–March Test Dates*
Sept. 23, 2019–March 27, 2020
April Test Dates
April 14–April 30, 2020

*Note: Orders can't be placed for these dates: January 27–February 21, 2019.

TESTING TIME

Actual Testing Time
2 hours and 25 minutes

Administrative Tasks Time
30–35 minutes (approx.)

Total Time
3 hours

FEES

Schools may charge students an additional fee to cover administrative costs (must apply to all students).

$12 per student
$4 charge for each unused test book exceeding 20% of the total number ordered* (unused tests can't be returned for a refund).
*The unused test book charge does not apply to the digital PSAT 8/9.

Schools outside the U.S. (except in U.S. territories and Canada) will be charged a $8 shipping surcharge for each test book ordered.

SHIPMENTS

Test materials for administrations between September 23, 2019, and January 24, 2020, can be ordered to arrive by the Monday prior to your school's testing week.

Test materials for February and March 2020 testing can be ordered to arrive by January 17.

Test materials for April 2020 can be ordered to arrive by March 13.

Open your shipment immediately to be sure you received the correct materials. Call 888-477-7728 (or +1-212-237-1335 outside the U.S.) to report problems like missing or damaged materials.

If you need to change your test date after test materials have been shipped, securely store all test materials at the school until the new test day. Please reschedule for a date in the same testing period as your original choice.

LEARN MORE collegeboard.org/psat-8-9

Important Dates

Key ordering and delivery dates for the PSAT 8/9 in 2019-20. Dates for digital testing may differ; look for them at digitaltesting.collegeboard.org/important-dates.

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DATES  DEADLINES

Aug. 14, 2019  Deadline for U.S schools testing the week of October 14 or October 28 to order tests using the preadministration option. Participating schools receive answer sheets and copies of the PSAT 8/9 Coordinator Manual by September.

Sept. 13  Answer sheets and manuals delivered to schools that selected the preadministration option.

Sept. 23, 2019–March 27, 2020  September–March testing takes place.

Dec. 20  Deadline for U.S schools to order tests for February and March using the preadministration option. Participating schools receive answer sheets and manuals by January 17.

Jan. 17, 2020  Answer sheets and manuals delivered to schools that selected the preadministration option.

Feb. 14  Deadline for U.S schools to order tests for April using the preadministration option. Participating schools receive answer sheets and manuals by March 13.

March 13  Answer sheets and manuals delivered to schools that selected the preadministration option.

April 14–30  April testing takes place.

Scores

Online scores and interpretive materials will be available depending on when schools return answer sheets. Paper score reports will be mailed soon after online scores are available. Check psat.org/scores in fall 2019 for information about when scores will be available.

Find all dates and deadlines at psat.org/8-9-dates.
Benefits

As part of the SAT Suite of Assessments, the PSAT 8/9 focuses on the skills and knowledge needed for college and career readiness, reflects what students are already learning in their classrooms, and gives you benchmarks for assessing students’ progress as they move through school.

The PSAT 8/9 and SAT Suite of Assessments offer unparalleled benefits to states, districts, schools, and students by:

- **Setting Benchmarks**: Uses a common score scale for a clear baseline to measure progress from year to year and focuses on areas where students need support so educators can quickly intervene.

- **Opening AP Opportunities**: Identifies students likely to succeed in AP. When students do well in AP courses, they’re more likely to succeed in college. And students with qualifying AP Exam scores can save money through credit-granting and placement policies. Students in 8th grade and younger don’t receive information about their likelihood to succeed in AP, but educators can access recommendations for these students through the online AP Potential™ tool (AP European History and AP World History only).

- **Providing Actionable Data**: Delivers valuable data in one online score reporting portal. Educators and students (who must be 13 or older) can easily view, sort, and analyze scores for the PSAT 8/9 and other assessments in the SAT Suite to better understand results and work together to inform instruction.

New Option: Digital Testing

For the first time, any U.S. school can give the digital PSAT 8/9. It’s the same test students take on paper, with the same benefits—plus the advantages of an online experience. Students use built-in tools and click to move between questions, easily returning to those they flag for review. There are no test books to store under lock and key and no answer sheets to return. Learn more at digitaltesting.collegeboard.org.

Special Testing Situations

Testing with Accommodations

Accommodations for PSAT 8/9 don’t need to be reviewed by College Board. They are determined by the student’s school.

International, Homeschooled, and Study Abroad Students

International and homeschooled students who want to take the PSAT 8/9 should use College Board School Search to find a nearby school that offers the test. Students temporarily studying abroad looking for a school should contact us before June 28, 2019. Visit collegeboard.org/school-search.

Contact Us

For questions about the PSAT 8/9:

- psat8/9@info.collegeboard.org
- 888-477-PSAT (7728) for educators only
- +1-212-237-1335 International
- 866-772-8734 for schools without internet access that want to register

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