

# Important Information About Taking the PSAT™ 8/9

Standard rules give all students the same opportunity and prevent any student from having an unfair advantage. If you don't follow these testing rules or any instructions given by the test supervisor your scores may be canceled. Please read them carefully.

## Distribution of Scores and Student Information

When you take the PSAT 8/9 and sign the answer sheet, you indicate that you understand how your scores and personal information will be used.

Some schools, districts, and states receive PSAT scores with other information about their students. The College Board does not share your PSAT 8/9 test results with any other third parties.

**By taking the PSAT 8/9 and signing the answer sheet, you indicate that you approve of the following:**

- ▶ The College Board may receive your first name, last name, sex, date of birth, and mailing address from your school.
- ▶ Your information will be kept secure and added to your permanent College Board record to be used for score reporting and educational purposes.

## Grounds for Score Cancellation

Educational Testing Service (ETS), on behalf of the College Board, reviews testing room irregularities and test scores believed to have been earned under unusual circumstances.

Your scores may be canceled for one of the following reasons:

- ▶ Not following testing rules or instructions given by the test supervisor.
- ▶ Engaging in misconduct.
- ▶ Being involved in a testing irregularity.

Before acting, ETS will let you know the reasons for questioning the scores and will give you an opportunity to provide additional information, confirm the scores by taking another PSAT 8/9, or cancel the scores.

# Test Day Rules

## Some things to keep in mind on test day:

- ▶ Mark your answers on the answer sheet. You will not receive credit for anything written in the test book.
- ▶ You may use an approved calculator **ONLY** during the Math Test - Calculator portion of the PSAT 8/9.
- ▶ You are not allowed to use notes, books, pens, highlighters, or earplugs.
- ▶ Cell phones or smartphones, cameras, recorders, tablets, laptops, notebooks, or any other personal computing devices are prohibited.
- ▶ If your phone makes noise, or you are seen using it at any time (including breaks), you will be dismissed immediately, your scores will be canceled, and the device may be confiscated and its contents inspected.
- ▶ You may not give or receive assistance or disturb others during the test or breaks unless you have been approved for accommodations.
- ▶ You can't skip ahead or go back to a previous test section while taking the PSAT 8/9.
- ▶ You may take the PSAT 8/9 only once each school year. If you begin a test, it counts as a test you have taken.
- ▶ If you become ill and/or must leave during the test, or if for any other reason you don't want your test scored, you may ask the test supervisor to destroy your answer sheet before you leave the testing room. After you leave the testing room, any decision to withdraw your answer sheet from scoring must be reported immediately to the test supervisor.
- ▶ **You may not discuss the contents of the test with anyone else, or share them through any means, including but not limited to emails, text messages, and the internet, until after score reports have been distributed.**
- ▶ Members of your household or immediate family may not serve as PSAT 8/9 supervisors, coordinators, or proctors, even at a different school, on the date that you take the test.

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