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About the National Merit Scholarship Program

The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®) is co-sponsored by the College Board and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC). It is administered for the College Board and NMSC by Educational Testing Service (ETS). The PSAT/NMSQT is the route of entry to the National Merit® Scholarship Program, an academic competition conducted by NMSC. Requirements for participation, steps in the competition, and awards offered are explained in the PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide and on NMSC’s website. Further information is provided in the Guide to the National Merit Scholarship Program. Questions about the scholarship program not answered in the published materials should be directed to:

WEB:  www.nationalmerit.org
MAIL:  National Merit Scholarship Corporation
        1560 Sherman Avenue, Suite 200
        Evanston, IL 60201-4897
PHONE:  847-866-5100

Students’ and Parents’ Contacts

EMAIL:  sat@info.collegeboard.org
         psathelp@info.collegeboard.org
PHONE:  SAT—
         866-756-7346
         PSAT-Related Assessments—
         866-433-7728
         +1-212-713-8105 (International)
         8 a.m.–9 p.m. ET, Monday–Friday

For students who no longer want to be considered for scholarship and opportunity programs, contact us here:

MAIL:  PSAT
        P.O. Box 6720
        Princeton, NJ 08541-6720

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SATSchoolDaySupport@collegeboard.org

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PSAT 10:  psat10@info.collegeboard.org
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         855-373-6387
         PSAT-Related Assessments Support—
         888-477-PSAT (7728)
         +1-212-237-1335 (International)
         8 a.m.–8 p.m. ET, Monday–Friday

College Board Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD)

WEB:  collegeboard.org/ssd
EMAIL:  ssd@info.collegeboard.org
PHONE:  844-255-7728 (toll free for educators with SSD inquiries only)
         212-713-8333 (local)
         8 a.m.–6 p.m. ET, Monday–Friday
FAX:  609-771-7944

Send eligibility-related mail such as SSD Coordinator Forms or accommodations requests to:

MAIL:  College Board SSD
        P.O. Box 7504
        London, KY 40743-7504
FAX:  866-360-0114

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Introduction

The College Board works with educators to help students navigate through middle and high school toward college and career. The SAT Suite of Assessments—the SAT (grades 11 and 12), PSAT/NMSQT® and PSAT™ 10 (grades 10 and 11), and PSAT™ 8/9 (grades 8 and 9)—systematically and progressively measures the knowledge and skills that are essential for college and career readiness and success. Together, the tests reflect meaningful, engaging, and challenging work that students find in the best middle and high school courses taught today. Schools can use the results of the tests to connect assessment and instruction—the backbone of a sound education.

The SAT Suite of Assessments

The SAT Suite focuses on a deep understanding of the skills and knowledge shown by current research to matter most for college and career readiness and success. The tests reflect what students are already learning in school and include these key features:

Words in context. Students engage in close reading to interpret the meaning of relevant vocabulary words.

Command of evidence. Students are asked to interpret, synthesize, and use evidence found in a wide range of sources; support their chosen answers; and integrate information from passages and informational graphics.

Essay analyzing a source. Students who take the SAT with Essay read a passage and analyze it, using evidence drawn from the text to explain how the author builds a persuasive argument.

Math that matters most. Students encounter questions in key content areas such as Problem Solving and Data Analysis, mastery of linear equations (Heart of Algebra), and familiarity with more complex equations (Passport to Advanced Math).

Problems grounded in real-world contexts. Questions directly relate to college and career using charts, graphs, and passages from science, social science, and other majors and careers.

Analysis in science and in history/social studies. Students apply their reading, writing, language, and math skills to solve problems in a broad array of contexts.

U.S. founding documents and the Great Global Conversation. Students read a passage or passages either from a U.S. founding document or from the ongoing global conversation about freedom, justice, and human dignity.

Using This Guide

This guide focuses on how to get the most from the assessments you administer at your school. It describes tools and resources from the College Board that can help you use assessment results to inform classroom instruction and improve college readiness at your school.

This guide includes resources that span the entire SAT Suite and information specific to the SAT and the PSAT-related assessments (PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9). Visit sat.org/educators to view and download the latest professional development and implementation resources available to K–12 educators.

In addition to School Day administrations as described in this guide, the SAT is administered worldwide at test centers, along with SAT Subject Tests™, on Saturdays and also on Sundays for those who cannot test on Saturday because of religious observance. Visit collegeboard.org/educators for more information.
Facts About the Tests

Test Dates and Fees

**SAT School Day**

- **Primary Test Date:** Wednesday, October 10, 2018
- **Makeup Test Date:** Wednesday, October 24, 2018
- **2019 Test Dates:**
  - Wednesday, March 6
  - Wednesday, March 27
  - Tuesday, April 9
  - Tuesday, April 23
- **Fee:** $47.50 per student tested; $64.50 with essay

**PSAT/NMSQT**

- **Primary Test Date:** Wednesday, October 10, 2018
- **Saturday Test Date:** October 13, 2018
- **Alternate Test Date:** Wednesday, October 24, 2018
- **Fee:** $16 per student tested

**PSAT 10**

- **Test Dates:** February 25–March 29 and April 1–26, 2019
- **Fee:** $16 per student tested

**PSAT 8/9**

- **Test Dates:** September 24, 2018–March 29, 2019, and April 1–26, 2019
- **Fee:** $11 per student tested

Additional SAT Suite Fees

- For each test book shipped outside the United States, U.S. territories, or Canada: an additional $6 charge
- For each unused test book over 20% of the number of books ordered or 20 test books (whichever is greater): an additional $4 charge (PSAT-Related Assessments); $24 (SAT)/$32 (SAT with Essay)

**NOTE:** Schools can adjust their orders up until the deadlines provided (see the end of this guide). Please be as accurate as possible in your counts. Unused tests cannot be returned for a refund.

Fee Waivers

The College Board offers fee waivers and related benefits for income-eligible students.

Grade-Level Requirements

- PSAT/NMSQT test takers must be juniors to get fee waivers.
- SAT test takers must be juniors or seniors to get fee waivers. Students who take the SAT as part of SAT School Day don’t receive fee waivers but can receive other benefits.
- Students taking SAT Subject Tests can receive fee waivers in grades 9–12.
- Fee waivers are not available for the PSAT 10 or PSAT 8/9.

Fee Waiver Eligibility Criteria

Schools participating in federal programs such as Community Eligibility should visit sat.org/feewaivers for other criteria that can help you confirm eligibility.

International Students

The same guidelines apply to students living abroad who are U.S. citizens and will be testing outside the United States.

Fee waivers may be used by nationals of countries other than the United States who live and test in the United States or U.S. territories and who meet the eligibility requirements.
About the Tests

Requesting Fee Waivers and Related Benefits

The College Board has made fee waiver benefits easier for students to access. Once a student either uses a fee waiver or is identified as eligible by their school, the benefits will show up automatically in their online account.

For students who are registering for the SAT or SAT Subject Tests given on a weekend, visit sat.org/feewaivers for information.

For SAT School Day, schools will go online to ordering.collegeboard.org to identify eligible juniors and seniors who participated in the assessment so that they can receive the same benefits as other SAT test takers. For more information, visit sat.org/schoolday.

For the PSAT/NMSQT, schools will identify eligible juniors and request fee waivers on their behalf at ordering.collegeboard.org. Quantities are limited. We recommend that you work with program directors at TRIO and other federal, state, or local aid programs to ensure you request enough fee waivers. Fee waivers are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis and may not be available after June 29 of the summer before you are testing (e.g., June 29, 2018, for the 2018-19 testing year).

About the Tests

Testing Time

In addition to the testing times listed below, you should expect to spend between 30 and 50 minutes on administrative tasks (distributing/collectiong materials and filling in personal information on the answer sheets). Time allotted for breaks is between 10 and 20 minutes, depending on the assessment. Some administrations of the tests will include an additional 20-minute section.

- Actual testing time for the SAT is 3 hours. Testing time for the SAT with Essay is 3 hours and 50 minutes.
- Actual testing time for the PSAT/NMSQT and for the PSAT 10 is 2 hours and 45 minutes.
- Actual testing time for the PSAT 8/9 is 2 hours and 25 minutes.

Test Content

The table below gives an overview of the assessments. See Preparing for Testing on page 10 for additional information about test content.

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<td>47 questions/tasks (60 minutes)</td>
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<td>44 questions/tasks (35 minutes)</td>
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Score Reporting on the SAT Suite of Assessments

The individual tests in the SAT Suite of Assessments report a total score, section scores, test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores. These reported scores, which are aligned across all the tests, provide information about student achievement and the skills and knowledge that convey a cohesive profile of student readiness. The figure on this page shows score scales.

The assessments report a total score that is the sum of two section scores: (1) Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and (2) Math. The total score is reported on a common scale range that shifts slightly to reflect the grade level for each assessment, as shown below.

For students who take the SAT Essay, the three scores are reported separately and not factored into the total score.

PSAT 8/9 does not provide a Passport to Advanced Math subscore.

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<th>1 Total Score</th>
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<td>Analysis in Science</td>
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<td>Words in Context</td>
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<td>2 Cross-Test Scores</td>
<td>Command of Evidence</td>
<td>Expression of Ideas</td>
<td>Passport to Advanced Math</td>
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<td>7 Subscores</td>
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For students who take the SAT Essay, the three scores are reported separately and not factored into the total score.

PSAT 8/9 does not provide a Passport to Advanced Math subscore.

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<th>3 Essay Scores (if taken, SAT only)</th>
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**Scholarship Opportunities**

- The PSAT/NMSQT provides entry to the National Merit® Scholarship Program conducted by National Merit Scholarship Corporation (see page 6).
- The National Hispanic Recognition Program (NHRP) identifies outstanding 11th-grade Hispanic/Latino students and shares information about them with interested colleges and universities. To be eligible, students must be at least one-quarter Hispanic/Latino (as defined by the NHRP), meet a minimum PSAT/NMSQT cutoff score for their state, and have a minimum grade point average.
- The National Scholarship Service (NSS) offers a free college advisory and referral service for 11th-grade African American students.
- The Telluride Association is a program offering summer seminars in the humanities and social sciences to highly gifted juniors.
- The College Board also partners with several other organizations that provide millions of dollars in scholarships to qualified students. (See Connecting to Colleges on page 8 for more information.) To participate, students will need to opt in to Student Search Service® when they take the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, or the PSAT 10.

**Improvements to Teaching and Learning**

Here are some specific ways the SAT Suite improves teaching and learning:

- **Provides valuable data.** Because the tests focus on the content and skills students learn in the classroom, results from the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 help educators identify skill gaps and improve instruction. Extensive data and reporting resources are offered through an online score reporting portal at k12reporting.collegeboard.org. The online Student Data File allows educators to manage student data outside of the score reporting portal.

- **Links to free, personalized SAT Practice through Khan Academy®.** The College Board and Khan Academy have partnered to provide Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy, for free. If students age 13 and over link their College Board and Khan Academy accounts, they’ll get free, personalized SAT practice recommendations based on their performance on the assessment(s) they took.

- **Identifies skills for improvement.** The score report shows students which questions they answered incorrectly and which academic skills they should focus on.

- **Increases AP® participation.** AP Potential™, the easy-to-use online tool, identifies test takers likely to succeed in AP, helping educators expand access to challenging courses. On their online score reports, high school students see their potential for AP courses and learn which AP courses are related to the college majors that interest them.

- **Builds a college-going culture.** The online college and career planning tools provided with the SAT Suite introduce students to opportunities available after high school.

- **Supports college and career planning through BigFuture™ and the College Board’s partnership with Roadtrip Nation.** Students can discover majors and careers that connect to the things they care about most. They can receive personalized career exploration using Roadtrip Nation and make connections to colleges and majors using BigFuture.

**NOTE ABOUT AP POTENTIAL:** Students in eighth grade and earlier don’t receive information about AP Potential on their score reports, but educators can access recommendations for these students through the online AP Potential tool. Feedback for ninth-grade students is provided for AP European History and AP World History only.
The National Merit Scholarship Program, conducted by National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), is an annual academic competition for recognition and college scholarships that is open to all students who meet entry requirements.

Each year, some 1.6 million high school students enter the competition; 50,000 are recognized for their academic accomplishments and potential; and 8,600 win Merit Scholarship® awards or Special Scholarships for college undergraduate study. (Special Scholarships are provided by corporate sponsors for students who meet their criteria and are high performers in the competition, but not Finalists.) Students who qualify for recognition in the National Merit Scholarship Program are notified through their schools.

National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC)

NMSC is an independent, not-for-profit organization that operates without government assistance. As cosponsor of the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT), NMSC receives the scores of all students who take the test as well as information they provide on their answer sheets.

Entering the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program

The 2018 PSAT/NMSQT is the entry vehicle for the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program. NMSC uses the PSAT/NMSQT Selection Index score (calculated by doubling the sum of the Reading, Writing and Language, and Math Test scores) as an initial screen of program entrants and to designate students to receive recognition.

When should students take the PSAT/NMSQT to enter the National Merit Scholarship Program?

To enter the National Merit Scholarship Program, students must take the PSAT/NMSQT in the specified year of their high school program and meet other published entry requirements. Almost all entrants are in their third year (grade 11, junior year) of high school.

Students completing high school a year or more early who are in their last, or next-to-last, year may also enter. For other situations, contact NMSC:

MAIL: National Merit Scholarship Corporation 1560 Sherman Avenue, Suite 200 Evanston, IL 60201-4897

PHONE: 847-866-5100

Need More Information?

Detailed information about entry requirements, program recognition, and scholarships may be found:

1. in the NMSC section of the PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide (sent to PSAT/NMSQT Coordinators);
2. in the Guide to the National Merit Scholarship Program (sent to high school principals in September); and
# National Merit Scholarship Program
## 2018-19 Important Dates for Schools

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<td>Notification of 16,000 Semifinalists in the 2019 National Merit Program and National Merit Scholarship application materials are mailed to principals.</td>
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<td>Sept. 12</td>
<td>Names of 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program Semifinalists are released to media.</td>
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<td>Sept. 13</td>
<td>Notification to principals of Commended Students in the 2019 National Merit Program.</td>
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<td>Oct. 10, Oct. 13, or Oct. 24</td>
<td>Schools administer the 2018 PSAT/NMSQT on one of these dates for entry to the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program.</td>
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<td>Oct. 6, Nov. 3, Dec. 1</td>
<td>Remaining authorized SAT administrations for Semifinalists in the 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program.</td>
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<td>Late November</td>
<td>Principals are mailed scholarship application materials for 2019 National Merit Program Special Scholarship candidates.</td>
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<td>Feb. 4</td>
<td>Principals are mailed notification of their 2019 National Merit Program Semifinalists who have advanced to Finalist standing. The mailing includes certificates for presentation to the Finalists.</td>
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<td>March 6</td>
<td>NMSC begins mailing award offers to 2019 corporate-sponsored Merit Scholarship winners and Special Scholarship winners at the students’ home addresses. Principals of award recipients are also notified by mail.</td>
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<td>March 21</td>
<td>NMSC begins mailing award offers to 2019 National Merit $2,500 Scholarship recipients at the students’ home addresses. Principals of award recipients are also notified by mail.</td>
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<td>April 1</td>
<td>Postmark deadline for students who missed taking the 2018 PSAT/NMSQT to request consideration for another route of entry to the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program.</td>
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<td>Mid-April</td>
<td>Notification to principals of their 2020 National Merit Program entrants who are among the 50,000 highest-scoring students on the 2018 PSAT/NMSQT. Principals are asked to review the list and notify NMSC if any information is incorrect or has changed.</td>
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<td>May 1</td>
<td>NMSC begins mailing 2019 college-sponsored Merit Scholarship offers to winners at the students’ home addresses. Principals of award recipients are also notified by mail.</td>
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<td>April 17, May 8, June 5, and July 15</td>
<td>Media release dates for 2019 winners of Merit Scholarship awards.</td>
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Connecting to Colleges

Scholarship Partners

The College Board partners with several scholarship providers, which invite qualified students who are in grades 11 or 12 to apply. The following organizations are scholarship partners as of May 2018 (please check psat.org/scholarships for updates):

- American Indian Graduate Center
- Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund
- Cobell Scholarship
- Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation
- Daniels Fund
- George Snow Scholarship Fund
- Hispanic Scholarship Fund
- Horatio Alger Association
- Jack Kent Cooke Foundation
- Jackie Robinson Foundation
- Ron Brown Scholar Program
- TheDream.US
- United Negro College Fund (UNCF)
- Washington State Opportunity Scholarship
- Young Scholars Program

Together, these programs offer millions of dollars in combined annual awards for lower income and minority students.

These partners can use the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, and PSAT 10 data from students who opt in to Student Search Service to enhance recruitment efforts and reach a more representative group of eligible students from high schools across the country. Tenth-graders who opt in to Student Search Service may also be contacted as juniors or seniors.

- As part of taking SAT School Day, the PSAT/NMSQT, or the PSAT 10, students are asked to provide information about themselves on their answer sheets. They may also provide additional information on the College Board’s college planning website, BigFuture.
- Participating eligible organizations can then search for groups of students who may be a good fit for their communities and programs, but only among those students who opt to participate in Student Search Service.

The search criteria can include any field from the answer sheet and any information that students provide on BigFuture. However, we never share information on phone numbers or actual test scores.

The most searched items are expected high school graduation date, cumulative grade point average (GPA), and intended college major.

If you have questions or concerns about Student Search Service or want more information about the program, visit collegeboard.org/student-search-service or call 866-825-8051.

Benefits of the Search Program

Students enjoy the advantage of having a diverse group of colleges provide them with information about educational opportunities, specific programs a college offers, and financial assistance at an early, but appropriate, stage in their college planning process.

Colleges and universities can expand their outreach efforts to be more inclusive geographically and to reach out to students who otherwise would not have much contact with the broader array of postsecondary opportunities.

Student Search Service

What Is Student Search Service?

The College Board’s Student Search Service is a free, voluntary program that connects students with information about educational and financial aid opportunities from nearly 1,900 eligible colleges and universities and scholarship and other educational programs. Here’s how it works:

- Students may choose to participate in Student Search Service when registering for a College Board assessment.
Things to Keep in Mind
Being contacted by a college doesn't mean a student has been admitted. Students must apply in order to be considered for admission. The colleges and organizations that participate want to find students who fit in with their environment, classes, programs, scholarships, and special activities. Student Search Service is simply a way for colleges to reach prospective students and inform them of their opportunities.

Student Search Service will share students’ contact information only with eligible colleges and universities and scholarship and other educational programs. The College Board does not share this information with marketing firms, test prep companies, or other retailers/commercial entities.

Protecting Student Privacy

Student Search Service Communications
Student Search Service communications are sent by eligible colleges and universities and scholarship and other educational programs. All entities that receive student information from Student Search Service are required to maintain strict confidentiality. We actively monitor these entities to ensure that they follow our guidelines.

The frequency and mode of communications based on search results are determined by the entity that receives the student’s name. Every communication from individual institutions contains specific instructions on how to unsubscribe from that particular institution.

Students who wish to unsubscribe from the entire Student Search Service program should contact us:

MAIL: The College Board
11955 Democracy Drive
Reston, VA 20190
ATTENTION: Student Search Service
PHONE: 866-825-8051

Telemarketing and Internet Scams
We sometimes get reports of phone scams when callers posing as College Board employees contact students and families attempting to sell test prep products or request sensitive, personally identifying information, such as credit card and Social Security numbers.

The College Board doesn’t make unsolicited phone calls to students or families requesting this type of information. This kind of activity—telemarketing fraud—is a crime. If a student or parent has a question about a phone call from someone who says they’re from the College Board, they can contact us at 866-756-7346.

Refer students and parents to the assessment-specific Student Guide for information on how to protect against these and other privacy violations.

Sharing Practice Information
Khan Academy and the College Board are committed to creating a safe and secure online environment for all students using Official SAT Practice. The College Board and Khan Academy do not share student personal information or student practice work without the student’s consent.

Students ages 13 and over may choose to link their Khan Academy and College Board accounts to benefit from additional personalization through the use of their actual SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, or PSAT 8/9 results. Account linking is entirely student driven, and students can unlink their accounts at any time.
Preparing for Testing

The tests included in the SAT Suite of Assessments are situated along a common continuum of content, knowledge, and skills, providing schools with the ability to align vertical teams and create cross-subject tasks. The assessments connect directly to instructional concepts and daily practice.

Visit sat.org/educators for in-depth information about the tests, including guides for counselors and teachers. You can also see sample questions in each assessment's respective Student Guide and on collegereadiness.collegeboard.org.

The table below offers some examples of the progression from lower to higher levels of complexity.

### Examples of Progression—Reading Test

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<td>Draw a fairly simple, one-step conclusion spelled out clearly in text.</td>
<td>Draw an inference to reach the right conclusion.</td>
<td>Perform several steps to draw the right conclusion.</td>
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<td>Relationships</td>
<td>Identify relationships based on multiple, fairly straightforward pieces of information stated in the text.</td>
<td>Infer somewhat more complicated relationships based on more subtle pieces of information stated in the text.</td>
<td>Infer more complex relationships from the text by piecing facts or incidents together.</td>
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<td>Graphics</td>
<td>Determine explicit meaning from the graphic or text.</td>
<td>Recognize trends in graphical data.</td>
<td>Synthesize information from a graphic and passage.</td>
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### Examples of Progression—Writing and Language Test

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<td>Punctuation</td>
<td>Use punctuation effectively in simple contexts, such as using commas to separate items in a list.</td>
<td>Use punctuation effectively in somewhat challenging contexts, such as using a colon to introduce a list.</td>
<td>Use punctuation effectively in challenging contexts, such as using a semicolon to link independent clauses.</td>
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<td>Sentence Structure</td>
<td>Edit straightforward sentences that pose some challenge, such as sentences with an introductory phrase.</td>
<td>Edit compound and complex sentences, including sentences with introductory phrases and clauses.</td>
<td>Edit syntactically challenging sentences, such as lengthy sentences that include several clauses.</td>
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<td>Graphics</td>
<td>Accurately incorporate basic information from graphics into a text.</td>
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### Examples of Progression—Math Test

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<td>Complexity</td>
<td>Many questions requiring one or two steps to solve.</td>
<td>Many questions requiring two or more steps to solve.</td>
<td>Emphasis on multistep problems.</td>
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<td>Geometry</td>
<td>May require the use of common geometric equations.</td>
<td>May require the use of common geometric equations and spatial reasoning.</td>
<td>Requires the use of geometry concepts and reasoning.</td>
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<td>Probability and Statistics</td>
<td>Includes ratios, proportions, percentages, introductory probability, and statistics.</td>
<td>Requires comparing linear and exponential growth.</td>
<td>Includes statistics topics such as sampling and inferring correlation and causation from a research method.</td>
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<td>Trigonometry</td>
<td>May require the use of properties of right triangles to solve problems.</td>
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Additional Resources to Prepare for Testing

Help your students prepare for assessments in the SAT Suite using the resources available in this guide and online.

For All Tests

- **Emphasize long-term preparation.** It takes time to develop the skills that are most valued in college and career. The best way to get ready for the SAT Suite and for college and career training is to read widely, write frequently, and take challenging academic courses.

- **Tell students about online Official SAT Practice through Khan Academy.** Once students age 13 and over have taken a practice test or one of the assessments (SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, or PSAT 8/9), they can use their results to hone the skills they need most by going to satpractice.org.

- **Tell students that the tests have no penalty for guessing.** They should make their best guesses even when unsure of the correct answer.

- **Direct students to the College Board website.** Students can find sample questions and test-taking tips for the PSAT/NMSQT and the PSAT 10 as well as complete explanations for practice test questions at collegeboard.org/psatpractice. (Students don’t need to practice for the PSAT 8/9, but if they want to, they can take a PSAT 10 practice test.)

For SAT School Day

- **Give students specific information to take home about your school’s SAT School Day administration by completing and distributing the “Take 2018-19 SAT School Day” flyer in the perforated handouts later in this booklet.**

- **Access other flyers and the latest SAT School Day Student Guide with sample questions, test-taking tips, and other information at sat.org/schoolday-resources.**

For the PSAT/NMSQT

- **Print the specific information for your school’s PSAT/NMSQT administration in the space provided on the PSAT/NMSQT poster, and display it in a high-traffic area.**

- **Give students specific information to take home about your school’s PSAT/NMSQT administration by completing and distributing the “Take the 2018 PSAT/NMSQT” flyer in the perforated handouts later in this booklet.**

- **Distribute copies of the 2018 PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide, with test-taking tips, information about the National Merit Scholarship Program, and a full-length practice test. If your school ordered the tests by June 29, you’ll receive student guides by mid-September.**

For the PSAT 10

- **Give students specific information to take home about your school’s PSAT 10 administration by completing and distributing the “Take the 2019 PSAT 10” flyer in the perforated handouts later in this booklet.**

- **Distribute copies of the 2019 PSAT 10 Student Guide (available to download in December 2018; to deliver early in 2019), which includes test-taking tips and a full-length practice test.**

- **Encourage students to take advantage of free, personalized online SAT practice with Khan Academy, which they can use to prepare for the PSAT 10 because of the close alignment of the tests (satpractice.org).**

For the PSAT 8/9

- **Give students specific information to take home about your school’s PSAT 8/9 administration by completing and distributing the “PSAT 8/9 Information for Parents” flyer in the perforated handouts later in this booklet.**

- **Access other flyers and the latest PSAT 8/9 Student Guide with sample questions, test-taking tips, and other information about the test at psat.org/8-9-resources.**
Estimating SAT Scores
All the SAT Suite assessments are similar in format and approach, although the SAT includes more challenging content as well as the SAT Essay (if taken).

It is possible to estimate an SAT score range a student may expect to fall within from that student’s PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 10 score. Of course, scores actually earned may be higher (or lower) than these estimates. Students can use this estimated score as a baseline from which to aim for a higher score band.

Students who wish to improve their estimated performance on the SAT should:

- Develop academic skills through challenging coursework.
- Read extensively and develop strong writing skills.
- Take a practice test and upload their results to Khan Academy to get personalized learning that targets the skills they need to strengthen (go to satpractice.org to learn more).

For more information about the SAT and how to access free resources, visit sat.org/educators.
# Resources for Students and Families

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<td>Contains sample test questions with explanations and tips about pacing and calculator use. Also contains descriptions and entry requirements for the scholarship program administered by National Merit Scholarship Corporation.</td>
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Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD)

You and your students can find complete information about the College Board’s Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) at collegeboard.org/ssd.

Accommodations

Students with disabilities can request to take College Board tests with the accommodations they need. Some examples of accommodations include extended time, alternate test formats, and extra breaks. Except for the PSAT 8/9, the College Board must approve all accommodations prior to testing. Accommodations for the PSAT 8/9 are decided by the school.

Students only need to apply once for accommodations. Once approved by the College Board’s SSD office, with limited exceptions, accommodations will be provided for all tests in the SAT Suite of Assessments, as well as the Advanced Placement Program® and SAT Subject Tests.

Eligibility Process

Except for the PSAT 8/9, all students requesting accommodations need to submit a request for accommodations to the SSD office.

When a student receives accommodations in school as part of an IEP, 504 Plan, or other qualified formal plan, the College Board will in most cases approve those same accommodations automatically. In some cases not covered by this streamlined process, the student may be asked to submit documentation for the SSD office’s review. When documentation review is required, it takes approximately seven weeks from the receipt of all necessary documentation for the College Board to determine a student’s eligibility for accommodations. SSD coordinators should work with students and families to submit requests before the summer break of the school year prior to when the student is likely to be testing. For submissions made fewer than seven weeks before a given test, there is no guarantee that a decision can be made and test materials can be shipped in time for the test.

SSD Online

Most students work with their schools to request accommodations. SSD coordinators can use SSD Online, the College Board’s online system, to submit requests for accommodations, view a list of all students in their school who are approved for accommodations, and print Nonstandard Administration Reports (NARs). To learn more, visit collegeboard.org/ssdonline.

Extended Time Testing

Students who are approved for extended time for reading get extended time on the entire test. Students who are approved for extended time for math only get standard time on all other sections of the test. Writing-only extended time applies to the SAT Essay (if taken) and certain AP Exams.

All students testing with extended timing will get additional breaks after sections taken with extended time. The two longer sections, Reading Test and Math Test – Calculator, will include a break halfway through the extended time section, as will the SAT Essay.

As an example, here is a view of the section timing for extended time administrations of the PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10:

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<td>53 minutes</td>
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<td>5-min. break</td>
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<td>Math Test – No Calculator</td>
<td>25 minutes</td>
<td>38 minutes</td>
<td>50 minutes</td>
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Administration Reports for the SAT Suite of Assessments

Schools receive access to the following reports as part of the assessment administration. For more information about using scores and reports for the SAT Suite of Assessments, visit collegeboard.org/educators-scores.

School-Specific Reports Online

Schools have access to enhanced information online through the score reporting portal at k12reports.collegeboard.org. You can access results for all assessments in the SAT Suite through this portal. Here are some of the benefits of the portal:

- Reports of scores, benchmarks, and participation by student and demographic group
- Interactive sorting and filtering capabilities
- Ability to print student score reports and labels
- Downloadable Student Data Files
- College and Career Readiness Benchmarks
- Information about AP Potential™ (see page 16)

Score Week for Counselors

For the PSAT/NMSQT, Score Week from December 3 through December 7 features score release for counselors and other educators (students get their scores a week later). Over 5,500 counselors took advantage of the live webinars, videos, and discussions last year that helped them learn their way around the K–12 score reporting portal. Learn more at psat.org/scoreweek.

Paper Reports

School Summary Report

For the PSAT/NMSQT, schools will get a summary report showing high-level results for their school.

Score Reports

The paper score report for an individual student provides scores and an overview of answers. For all PSAT-related assessments, you will receive one copy of the paper score report. You can also print PDF copies of your students’ reports.

NOTE: Your school will not receive paper SAT or SAT Subject Test score reports.

The score report gives students feedback about performance on individual scores so they can improve the skills measured by these scores. It also directs students to access the more comprehensive information supplied with their online score reports. PSAT/NMSQT score reports include the student’s Selection Index score and eligibility for the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Score Labels

Schools can generate a printable file of student score labels via the online score reporting portal. Schools can purchase an additional set of score reports and/or labels when they place their order at ordering.collegeboard.org. The fee is $100 per assessment.

NOTE: Scores from any assessment in the SAT Suite should not become part of any student’s transcript or permanent record that is routinely shared with outside entities, such as colleges, scholarship organizations, or potential employers. Sharing of scores should only be at a student’s request.

Benchmarks

The College Board produces a series of indicators that help educators gauge college readiness at different points in a student's career.

SAT College and Career Readiness Benchmarks represent the section scores that students taking the SAT should meet or exceed to be considered on track to be college ready. Grade-level benchmarks for the PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 represent the section scores on each assessment that students should meet or exceed to be considered on track to be college ready.

Benchmarks are included in assessment reporting to help educators better understand how many and also which students are on track to have the skills necessary for success in college. Equipped with this information, educators can support students who need extra help while there is still time for improvement.
Grade-level benchmarks can help educators:

- Identify students who are on track for success in college and career readiness.
- Identify students who may need extra support while there is still time for improvement.
- Find students who may be ready for more challenging coursework.

The benchmarks should not be used to assign academic tracks, to discourage students from pursuing college, or to keep students from participating in challenging courses.

### AP Potential

Access the AP Potential tool online at [appotential.collegeboard.org](http://appotential.collegeboard.org).

#### What Is AP Potential?

AP Potential is a web-based tool that helps school administrators find potential AP students from among their school’s SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 test takers. AP Potential analyzes student score data and generates a roster of students at your school who are likely to score a 3 or higher on a given AP Exam.

Use this tool to open the doors of your AP classrooms to students who are likely to succeed. Principals, counselors, and teachers attest that AP Potential has enabled them to find and encourage students who otherwise would not have been considered for AP course participation.

#### How Does It Work?

You select a percentage corresponding to the likelihood of students scoring a 3 or higher on the associated AP Exam for each AP class your school offers or is considering, and then generate a roster of students at your school who show the potential to earn a score of 3 or higher on the AP Exam. Every downloadable AP Potential roster includes each eligible student’s name, grade level, race/ethnicity, and sex.

The Student Data File available to schools via the score reporting portal also includes an AP Potential Indicator (P) for each AP subject for which a given student has a 60% or greater likelihood of scoring a 3 or higher on the AP Exam. Students will get an indicator (S) if they are 40%–59% likely to score a 3 or higher on a given AP Exam.

Students also have access to AP Potential feedback on their online score reports. This information can help to encourage academically prepared students who are not currently enrolled in AP to consider taking an AP course for which they show potential. For students already participating in AP, it can identify other courses they have the potential to succeed in but haven’t yet considered.

#### How Accurate Is AP Potential?

AP Potential is based on research that establishes meaningful correlations between SAT and PSAT/NMSQT scores and AP Exam scores.

Research shows that PSAT/NMSQT scores, and by extension SAT scores, are significant predictors of students’ AP Exam scores and could supplement more obvious and traditional factors like high school grades, grades in previous same-discipline coursework, and the number of same-discipline courses a student has taken. In addition, research indicates that the relationship of SAT and PSAT/NMSQT scores to AP Exam scores is substantially the same for all ethnic and racial groups.

View the latest research reports at [appotential.collegeboard.org](http://appotential.collegeboard.org).

#### How Should AP Potential Be Used?

Even such a strong indicator is only one of the factors that should be considered when identifying students for AP classes. Individual student motivation and preparation; parental/family, school, and community supports; and teacher effectiveness all play a powerful role in a student’s academic success. A student should never be excluded from participation in AP courses simply because their name doesn’t appear on the roster of AP potential students. On the contrary, AP Potential can help you identify students who have a chance of succeeding in AP who may otherwise be overlooked.
Take 2018-19 SAT School Day

With SAT School Day you can:

☐ Prepare with SAT® practice recommendations from Khan Academy®.

☐ Access college planning resources that can help you explore careers, colleges, majors, scholarships, and more.

☐ Connect with colleges and universities.

☐ Assess your skill levels and readiness for college and career.

☐ Get suggestions on how to improve your academic skills.

Date/Time: ____________________________________________

Cost: _________________________________________________

Location: ____________________________________________

Additional information: ____________________________________________
Take the 2018 PSAT/NMSQT

With the PSAT/NMSQT you can:

☐ Prepare with SAT® practice recommendations from Khan Academy® based on your performance on the PSAT/NMSQT®.

☐ Access college planning resources that can help you explore careers, colleges, majors, scholarships, and more.

☐ Enter the National Merit® Scholarship Program for recognition and scholarships.

☐ Connect with colleges and universities.

☐ Assess your skill levels and readiness for college and career.

☐ Get suggestions on how to improve your academic skills.

Date/Time: ____________________________________________

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Take the 2019 PSAT 10

With the PSAT 10 you can:

- Prepare with SAT® practice recommendations from Khan Academy® based on your performance on the PSAT™ 10.
- Access college planning resources that can help you explore careers, colleges, majors, scholarships, and more.
- Connect with colleges and universities. Assess your skill levels and readiness for college and career.
- Get suggestions on how to improve your academic skills.

Date/Time: ________________________________

Cost: ____________________________________

Location: ________________________________

Additional information: ____________________________________

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SAT School Day:
The Parent Perspective

Location: ____________________________ Date/Time: ________________
Cos t: __________________ For more information, contact: ________________

Frequently Asked Questions

WHY SHOULD STUDENTS TAKE SAT SCHOOL DAY?
The SAT® provides students and their teachers with actionable information about their academic skills. By taking the SAT on a school day, students can test in familiar surroundings, take their daily route to school, and follow their usual schedule.

Students who take the SAT will get an online score report at studentscores.collegeboard.org. They will receive an overall test score (400–1600) as well as individual section scores, test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores. Students will be able to see which answers they got right or wrong. They will also get information on how to improve their academic skills.

Students who take the practice test can get free personalized online SAT practice recommendations on Khan Academy®, which can be used to improve their skills and prepare for the SAT.

WHO SHOULD TAKE THE SAT?
Typically, students take the SAT in grades 11 and 12. Taking the test allows them to improve the skills and knowledge needed for success in college and career.

HOW SHOULD STUDENTS PREPARE FOR THE TEST?
Classroom learning is the basis for test questions, so the best way students can prepare is by taking challenging courses and becoming familiar with the test and its format. Students should review the SAT School Day Student Guide, along with a practice test, to better understand all the directions and become familiar with the types of questions that will be asked. In addition, students who take the test can go to satpractice.org for free, personalized practice.

IF STUDENTS DON’T DO WELL ON THE TEST, WILL IT HURT THEIR CHANCES OF GETTING INTO COLLEGE?
Absolutely not. Since it provides personalized information on the skills that a student needs to improve to prepare for college, taking the test can even improve their chances.

WHAT IS STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE, AND SHOULD STUDENTS CHOOSE TO PARTICIPATE?
When students take the SAT, they’re asked if they would like to participate in the College Board’s Student Search Service®, a free service that provides names of students to eligible educational organizations. If students choose to participate, they allow colleges, universities, scholarship programs, and educational opportunity organizations to send information about the educational and financial aid opportunities they offer. Students who opt in to Student Search Service will increase their access to millions of dollars in combined annual scholarship awards. Student information is strictly monitored and secure, and individual test scores are never shared with any outside entity.

WHEN CAN WE EXPECT TO SEE THE RESULTS FROM THE SAT?
Score reports will be made available online for students on November 2 (for the October 10 test), March 29 (for the March 6 test), April 19 (for the March 27 test), May 2 (for the April 9 test), and May 16 (for the April 23 test).

Score Reports
Your student’s score report will include numerous scores in addition to the total score that will give your student better insight into their performance.
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SAT en tu escuela: Perspectiva de los padres

¿POR QUÉ LOS ESTUDIANTES DEBERÍAN PRESENTARSE AL SAT EN TU ESCUELA?
El SAT® brinda a los estudiantes y a sus profesores información útil sobre sus destrezas académicas. Al presentarse al SAT en tu escuela, los estudiantes pueden hacer el examen en un entorno conocido, tomar su ruta diaria a la escuela y seguir con su agenda habitual.

Los estudiantes que se presenten al SAT recibirán su informe de resultados en línea en studentscores.collegeboard.org, el cual incluirá el puntaje general del examen (400–1600), así como puntajes por cada sección, por prueba, por pruebas con contenido de otras materias y subpuntajes. Podrán ver las respuestas que tuvieron bien y aquellas en las que fallaron, y también recibirán información sobre cómo mejorar sus destrezas académicas.

Los estudiantes que se presenten al examen de práctica pueden recibir en línea y de forma gratuita recomendaciones personalizadas de práctica del SAT en Khan Academy®, las cuales puede aplicar para mejorar sus destrezas y prepararse para el SAT.

¿QUIÉN DEBERÍA PRESENTARSE AL SAT?
Por lo general, los estudiantes se presentan al SAT en su penúltimo y último año escolar (grados 11 y 12). Hacer el examen les permite mejorar las destrezas y conocimientos necesarios para tener éxito en la universidad y en su trayectoria profesional.

¿CÓMO DEBERÍAN LOS ESTUDIANTES PREPARARSE PARA EL EXAMEN?
El aprendizaje en clase es la base para las preguntas del examen, así que la mejor manera de que los estudiantes se preparen es tomando cursos desafiantes y conociendo el examen y su formato. También deberían revisar la Guía del estudiante para el SAT en tu escuela (SAT School Day Student Guide) y hacer un examen de práctica para comprender mejor todas las instrucciones y familiarizarse con los tipos de preguntas que se encontrarán. Además, quienes se presenten al examen pueden visitar satpractice.org donde encontrarán ejercicios de práctica personalizados y gratuitos.

SI A LOS ESTUDIANTES NO LES VA BIEN EN EL EXAMEN, ¿PERJUDICARÁ ESTO SU OPORTUNIDAD DE IR A LA UNIVERSIDAD?
En absoluto. Dado que proporciona información personalizada sobre las destrezas que el estudiante necesita mejorar para prepararse para la universidad, hacer el examen incluso puede mejorar sus oportunidades.

¿QUÉ ES EL SERVICIO DE BÚSQUEDA DE ESTUDIANTES? ¿DEBERÍAN INSCRIBIRSE EN ÉL LOS ESTUDIANTES?
Cuando los estudiantes toman el SAT, se les pregunta si quieren participar en el Student Search Service® del College Board, un servicio gratuito que proporciona los nombres de los estudiantes a organizaciones educativas. Si los estudiantes deciden inscribirse, autorizan a las universidades, programas de becas y organizaciones educativas para que les envíen las oportunidades educativas y de ayuda financiera que ofrecen. Los estudiantes que optan por el Servicio de búsqueda de estudiantes (Student Search Service) aumentarán sus posibilidades de acceder a millones de dólares en asignaciones combinadas de becas anuales. La información de los estudiantes es supervisada estrictamente para mantenerla segura, y los resultados de las pruebas nunca se comparten con ninguna entidad externa.
¿CUÁNDO PODEMOS ESPERAR VER LOS RESULTADOS DEL SAT?

Los informes de resultados estarán disponibles en línea para estudiantes el 2 de noviembre (para el examen del 10 de octubre), el 29 de marzo (para el examen del 6 de marzo), el 2 de abril (para el examen del 27 de marzo), el 2 de mayo (para el examen del 9 de abril) y el 16 de mayo (para el examen del 23 de abril).

Informes de resultados

El informe de resultados de su estudiante incluirá varios puntajes además del puntaje total, lo que dará a su estudiante una mejor perspectiva de su desempeño.

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| Octubre                      | Día del examen SAT en tu escuela: 10 de octubre (segunda fecha, 24 de octubre). Asegúrese de que su estudiante desayuna y lleva al examen lápices del número 2, una calculadora autorizada, un reloj (sin alarma audible) y su dirección de correo electrónico. (Si su estudiante es escolarizado en casa, tendrá que haber completado también un formulario de identificación del estudiante y llevarlo firmado y certificado). |
| Noviembre                    | Hable con su estudiante sobre los programas de estudio que le interesan. Los estudiantes de 12 grado deberían investigar universidades. Visite [collegeboard.org](http://collegeboard.org) para ayudar a su estudiante a buscar becas y conocer más sobre cómo pagar una educación universitaria. |
| Diciembre                    | Los informes de resultados de los estudiantes están disponibles en línea en [studentscores.collegeboard.org](http://studentscores.collegeboard.org). Visite [sat.org/scores](http://sat.org/scores) para tener acceso a más información que ayudará a su estudiante a usar su informe de resultados. |
| **2019**
| Enero                        | Anime a su estudiante a usar los recursos gratuitos en línea en el portal de emisión de informes de resultados en línea en [studentscores.collegeboard.org](http://studentscores.collegeboard.org). |
| Febrero                      | Los estudiantes de grado 11 deberían prepararse para realizar el examen del SAT en tu escuela en marzo y abril. |
| Marzo                        | Día del examen SAT en tu escuela: 6 o 27 de marzo. Asegúrese de que su estudiante desayuna y lleva al examen lápices del número 2, una calculadora autorizada, un reloj (sin alarma audible) y su dirección de correo electrónico. (Si su estudiante es escolarizado en casa, tendrá que haber completado también un formulario de identificación del estudiante y llevarlo firmado y certificado). |
| Abril                        | Día del examen SAT en tu escuela: 9 o 23 de abril. |
| Mayo/Junio                   | Los estudiantes de grado 11 deben solicitar una lista de lecturas de verano a su docente de inglés. |

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WHY SHOULD STUDENTS TAKE THE PSAT/NMSQT OR THE PSAT 10?
The PSAT/NMSQT® and the PSAT™ 10 offer great preparation for the SAT®. They also provide students and their teachers with actionable information about their academic skills. Students who take the PSAT/NMSQT or the PSAT 10 will get both an online score report at studentscores.collegeboard.org and an official paper score report. They will receive an overall test score (320–1520) as well as individual section scores, test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores. Students will also get information on how to improve their academic skills.

Students who take the PSAT/NMSQT in their third year of high school (11th grade) and meet other program entry requirements may enter the National Merit® Scholarship Program. They may also qualify for other programs such as the National Hispanic Recognition Program. For more information, see your school counselor.

WHO SHOULD TAKE THE PSAT/NMSQT?
Typically, students take the PSAT/NMSQT in grades 10 and 11. Taking the test allows them to start improving skills and knowledge needed for success in college and career. Students can take the test only once a year, but there is no limit to how many years a student may participate. It’s important that 11th-grade students take the PSAT/NMSQT to enter the National Merit Scholarship Program and to get SAT practice.

HOW SHOULD STUDENTS PREPARE FOR THE TEST?
Classroom learning is the basis for test questions, so the best way students can prepare is by taking challenging courses and becoming familiar with the test and its format. Students should review the PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide or PSAT 10 Student Guide, along with a practice test for the test they are taking, to better understand all the directions and become familiar with the types of questions that will be asked. In addition, students who take the test can go to satpractice.org for free, personalized practice. This practice can be used to prepare for the SAT, the PSAT/NMSQT, or the PSAT 10.

IF STUDENTS DON’T DO WELL ON THE TEST, WILL IT HURT THEIR CHANCES OF GETTING INTO COLLEGE?
Absolutely not. Since it provides personalized information on the skills that a student needs to improve to prepare for the SAT and college, taking the test can even improve their chances. PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 scores are not sent to colleges.

WHAT IS STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE, AND SHOULD STUDENTS CHOOSE TO PARTICIPATE?
When students take the PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 10, they’re asked if they would like to participate in the College Board’s Student Search Service®, a free service that provides names of students to eligible educational organizations. If students choose to participate, they allow colleges, universities, scholarship programs, and educational
opportunity organizations to send information about the educational and financial aid opportunities they offer. Students who opt in to Student Search Service will increase their access to millions of dollars in combined annual scholarship awards. Student information is strictly monitored and secure, and individual test scores are never shared with any outside entity.

WHEN CAN WE EXPECT TO SEE THE RESULTS FROM THE PSAT/NMSQT? FROM THE PSAT 10?

Score reports will be made available online for educators on December 3 and for students beginning on December 10 for the PSAT/NMSQT. Schools will receive paper PSAT/NMSQT score reports in mid-December. For PSAT 10, online scores will be available in April or May. Paper reports will follow.

Score Reports

Your student’s score report will include numerous scores in addition to the total score that will give your student better insight into their performance. The PSAT/NMSQT score report will also include the NMSC Selection Index score, which is calculated by doubling the sum of the Reading, Writing and Language, and Math Test scores.

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<td>October</td>
<td>PSAT/NMSQT administration: October 10, 13, or 24. Make sure your student eats breakfast and brings No. 2 pencils, an acceptable calculator, a watch (with no audible alarm), and their email address to the test administration. On test day, encourage your student to choose “Yes” for Student Search Service on the answer sheet to increase their access to millions of dollars in combined annual scholarship awards and to get information from colleges, universities, and scholarship programs.</td>
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<td>November</td>
<td>Talk with your student about programs of study that interest them. Students in grade 11 should research colleges and universities. Visit collegeboard.org to help your student search for scholarships and learn more about paying for a college education.</td>
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<td>December</td>
<td>Student score reports are made available online at studentscores.collegeboard.org. Visit psat.org/scores to access more information that will aid you in helping your student use their score report.</td>
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<td><strong>2019</strong> January</td>
<td>Encourage your student to use free online resources in the online score reporting portal at studentscores.collegeboard.org.</td>
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<td>February</td>
<td>Students in grade 11 should consider registering for the SAT in the spring.</td>
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<td>March</td>
<td>Students should select four, preferably five, solid academic courses for next year. They should check with their counselor about potential participation in AP® courses. Review your student’s AP Potential™ feedback at studentscores.collegeboard.org.</td>
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<td>Have your student request a summer reading list from their English teacher.</td>
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El PSAT/NMSQT y PSAT 10: Desde la perspectiva de los padres

Lugar: __________________________________________________________ Fecha/Hora: ___________
Costo: ______________ Para más información, póngase en contacto con: __________________________

Preguntas más frecuentes

¿POR QUÉ LOS ESTUDIANTES DEBEN PRESENTAR EL PSAT/NMSQT O EL PSAT 10?
El PSAT/NMSQT® y el PSAT™ 10 constituyen una excelente preparación para el SAT®. También proporcionan a los estudiantes y a sus maestros información útil sobre sus destrezas académicas. Los estudiantes que presenten el PSAT/NMSQT o el PSAT 10 recibirán un informe de calificaciones en línea en studentscores.collegeboard.org y también un informe de calificaciones oficial impreso. Recibirán una calificación global del examen (320–1520) y calificaciones de secciones específicas, de exámenes, de otras materias incluidas en los exámenes y de secciones parciales. También los estudiantes recibirán información sobre cómo mejorar sus destrezas académicas.

Los estudiantes que presentan el PSAT/NMSQT en su tercer año de preparatoria (11vo grado) y cumplen con los otros requisitos para ingresar al programa pueden presentarse para el National Merit® Scholarship Program (Programa Nacional de Becas por Mérito). También pueden ser candidatos para otros programas como el National Hispanic Recognition Program (Programa Nacional de Reconocimiento Hispano). Para mayor información, visite al asesor de su estudiante.

Los estudiantes que presenten el examen de práctica podrán recibir sugerencias para una práctica del SAT en línea, gratis y personalizada, a través de la Khan Academy™ que les servirá para mejorar sus destrezas y prepararse para el PSAT/NMSQT y el PSAT 10 debido al paralelismo entre los exámenes.

¿QUIÉN DEBE PRESENTAR EL PSAT/NMSQT?
Usualmente, los estudiantes presentan el PSAT/NMSQT cuando cursan Grado 10 y Grado 11 de la preparatoria. Presentarse al examen les permite comenzar a mejorar sus destrezas y ampliar los conocimientos necesarios para tener éxito en su vida universitaria y profesional. Los estudiantes pueden presentar el examen solo una vez al año, pero no hay un límite al número de años en los que el estudiante puede participar. Es importante que los estudiantes de 11vo grado presenten el PSAT/NMSQT para ingresar al National Merit Scholarship Program y practicar para el SAT.

¿QUÉ SE DEBE HACER PARA PREPARARSE PARA EL EXAMEN?
El aprendizaje en el salón de clases es el fundamento de las preguntas del examen, por tanto, la mejor manera de prepararse es tomar cursos más difíciles y familiarizarse con el examen y su formato. Los estudiantes deben revisar la PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide (Guía del estudiante para el PSAT/NMSQT) o la PSAT 10 Student Guide (Guía del estudiante para el PSAT 10) y el examen de práctica para el examen que van tomar. Esto los ayudará a comprender mejor todas las instrucciones y a familiarizarse con el tipo de preguntas que tendrán que responder. Además, los estudiantes que presenten el examen pueden visitar satpractice.org y obtener una práctica personalizada...
y gratuita. Los estudiantes pueden usar esta práctica para prepararse para el SAT, el PSAT/NMSQT o el PSAT 10.

**SI LOS ESTUDIANTES NO OBTIENEN UN RESULTADO SATISFACTORIO EN EL EXAMEN, ¿DISMINUIRÁN SUS POSIBILIDADES DE INGRESAR A LA UNIVERSIDAD?**
Absolutamente no. Por el contrario, el examen aumentará sus posibilidades puesto que ofrece información personalizada sobre el tipo de destrezas que el estudiante necesita mejorar para prepararse para el SAT y la universidad. Las calificaciones del PSAT/NMSQT y del PSAT 10 no se envían a las universidades.

**¿QUÉ ES EL STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE® (SERVICIO DE BÚSQUEDA DE ESTUDIANTES) Y DEBERÍAN INSCRIBIRSE LOS ESTUDIANTES?**
Cuando los estudiantes presentan el PSAT/NMSQT o el PSAT 10, se les pregunta si están interesados en participar en el Servicio de búsqueda de estudiantes de College Board, un servicio gratuito que proporciona los nombres de los estudiantes a organizaciones educativas. Si los estudiantes deciden participar, están aceptando que las universidades, los programas de becas y las organizaciones que ofrecen oportunidades educativas les envíen información sobre las opciones educativas y de ayuda financiera que ofrecen. Los estudiantes que eligen participar en el Servicio de búsqueda para estudiantes aumentarán la posibilidad de acceder a los millones de dólares que se otorgan en total al año en becas. La información de los estudiantes se vigila cuidadosamente y está segura, y las calificaciones individuales nunca se entregan a instituciones externas.

**¿CUÁNDO PODEMOS SABER LOS RESULTADOS DEL PSAT/NMSQT? ¿Y DEL PSAT 10?**
Los informes de calificaciones del PSAT/NMSQT estarán disponibles en línea para los docentes el 3 de diciembre y para los estudiantes el 10 de diciembre. Las escuelas recibirán los informes impresos a mediados de diciembre. En el caso del PSAT 10, las calificaciones en línea estarán disponibles en abril o mayo. Los informes impresos seguirán.

**Informe de calificaciones**
El informe de calificaciones de su estudiante incluirá diferentes calificaciones además de una calificación total que proporcionarán al estudiante una mejor perspectiva de su rendimiento. El informe de calificaciones también incluirá el Índice de Selección NMSC que se calcula duplicando la suma de las calificaciones de Lectura, Escritura y Lenguaje, y Matemáticas.
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<td>Comente con su estudiante sobre los programas de estudio que le interesan. Los estudiantes del Grado 11 deberán investigar universidades. Visite collegeboard.org para ayudar a su estudiante a buscar becas y conocer más sobre el financiamiento para la educación en la universidad.</td>
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<td>Los informes de las calificaciones estarán disponibles en línea en studentscores.collegeboard.org. Visite psat.org/scores para obtener más información que le permita ayudar a su estudiante a aprovechar su informe de calificaciones.</td>
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<td>Los estudiantes de Grado 11 deben considerar la opción de registrarse al SAT esta primavera.</td>
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<td>El estudiante debe elegir cuatro, de preferencia cinco, cursos académicos básicos para el siguiente año. Debe comentar con su asesor la posibilidad de participar en los cursos AP®. Verifique los comentarios sobre la posibilidad de que su estudiante tome cursos AP en studentscores.collegeboard.org.</td>
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<td>Pida a su estudiante que solicite una lista de lecturas para el verano a su maestro o maestra de inglés.</td>
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PSAT 8/9 Information for Parents

The PSAT 8/9 assessment will help your student prepare for the future. By taking the PSAT 8/9, your student will learn which skills they need to work on for continued success through high school and in college. In addition, the PSAT 8/9 will identify areas where your student excels and may want to consider taking higher-level courses, as well as areas they should focus on to improve academically. Please note that PSAT 8/9 scores are not sent to colleges.

WHAT IS THE PSAT 8/9?
The PSAT™ 8/9 is an assessment given to eighth- and ninth-graders that is closely aligned to the SAT®, PSAT/NMSQT®, and PSAT™ 10. It consists of questions in Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and in Math.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF TAKING THE PSAT 8/9?
It helps establish a baseline for students as they enter high school and begin preparing for college and career. It also provides students with better access to data and personalized study through online College Board and Khan Academy® resources.

WHEN WILL MY STUDENT TAKE THE PSAT 8/9?
It will be administered during class time on the following date: _____________

HOW SHOULD MY STUDENT PREPARE?
The best preparation is to deeply engage in classroom learning and practice skills over time. On test day, your student should answer all the questions to the best of their ability. It will also help if they get plenty of sleep the night before test day.

WHAT SHOULD MY STUDENT BRING ON TEST DAY?
Your student will need two No. 2 pencils with soft erasers, an acceptable calculator, and (if the school requires it) their student ID number.

HOW LONG WILL THE ASSESSMENT TAKE AND HOW MANY QUESTIONS ARE THERE?
Actual testing time is 2 hours and 25 minutes. There are 42 Reading Test questions, 40 Writing and Language Test questions, and 38 Math Test questions.

WHAT IF MY STUDENT DOESN'T KNOW AN ANSWER?
Your student may encounter some difficult questions that they don’t know how to answer. Advise your student not to get discouraged if this happens, but to answer every question to the best of their ability. There is no penalty for answering incorrectly.

HOW DOES MY STUDENT RECEIVE PSAT 8/9 SCORES?
Your student will get a paper score report at school with a unique code giving them access to a robust online score report. School staff will also be able to look up this code in the educator portal. The scores reported will grow to include every test your student takes that is part of the SAT Suite of Assessments (for more information, see collegeboard.org/sat-suite).

The online experience (for students age 13 and older) is designed to help you and your student understand the scores better and to use the feedback to build new skills based on a detailed breakdown of your student’s performance.

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PSAT 8/9 Información para padres de familia

La evaluación PSAT™ 8/9 ayudará a su hijo o hija a prepararse para el futuro. Al presentar el examen PSAT 8/9, su hijo o hija conocerá las destrezas en las que deberá trabajar más para tener éxito constante en la preparatoria y la universidad. Además, el PSAT 8/9 identificará las áreas en las que su hijo o hija destaca y en las que podrá considerar tomar cursos de mayor nivel; también identificará las áreas en las que deberá concentrarse para mejorar su nivel académico. Por favor, tome en cuenta que las calificaciones del PSAT 8/9 no se envían a las universidades.

¿QUÉ ES EL PSAT 8/9?
Es una evaluación que se hace a los estudiantes de los grados 8 y 9 y que está alineada a los exámenes SAT®, PSAT/NMSQT®, PSAT™ 10. Está formada por preguntas de dos áreas: Lectura y escritura basada en evidencia y Matemáticas.

¿CUÁL ES LA VENTAJA DE PRESENTAR EL PSAT 8/9?
Establece una base para los estudiantes que entran a la preparatoria y los ayuda a empezar a prepararse para la universidad y las profesiones. También permite que los estudiantes tengan mejor acceso a información y estudios personalizados por medio de los recursos en línea de College Board y de Khan Academy®.

¿CUÁNDO PRESENTARÁ EL ESTUDIANTE EL PSAT 8/9?
Los exámenes se presentarán durante las clases en la fecha siguiente: _______________.

¿CÓMO SE DEBE PREPARAR EL ESTUDIANTE?
La mejor preparación consiste en comprometerse seriamente con el aprendizaje en la clase y en practicar las destrezas día a día. El día del examen, el estudiante debe contestar todas las preguntas lo mejor que pueda. Además, es mejor si el estudiante duerme bien durante la noche anterior al día del examen.

¿QUÉ DEBE LLEVAR EL ESTUDIANTE EL DÍA DEL EXAMEN?
El estudiante necesitará dos lápices del número 2 con borradores suaves, una calculadora aprobada y (si la escuela lo requiere) su número de identificación de estudiante.

¿CUÁNTO TIEMPO TARDA LA EVALUACIÓN Y CUÁNTAS PREGUNTAS CONTIENE?
El tiempo para hacer el examen es de 2 horas y 25 minutos. Hay 42 preguntas de Lectura, 40 preguntas de Escritura y Lenguaje y 38 preguntas de Matemáticas.

¿QUÉ DEBE HACER EL ESTUDIANTE SI NO SABE LA RESPUESTA?
Es probable que el estudiante vea preguntas difíciles que no sepa responder. Recomiéndele que no se desanime si esto sucede y que responda todas las preguntas lo mejor que pueda. No se penalizan las respuestas incorrectas.

¿CÓMO RECIBIRÁ EL ESTUDIANTE LOS RESULTADOS DEL PSAT 8/9?
El estudiante recibirá en la escuela un informe de calificaciones impreso con un código único que le dará acceso a un informe en línea más completo. El personal docente de la escuela también podrá buscar este código en el portal del educador. Además de las calificaciones que se reportan, el informe incluirá todos los exámenes que tomó el estudiante que formen parte de las evaluaciones de SAT Suite of Assessments (vea collegeboard.org/sat-suite para obtener más información).

La experiencia en línea (para estudiantes de 13 años o más) está diseñada para ayudar a que usted y su estudiante entiendan mejor las calificaciones y usen los comentarios para desarrollar nuevas destrezas basándose en una descripción detallada del rendimiento del estudiante.
## Important 2018-19 Dates for SAT School Day

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