Exploring PSAT/NMSQT & SAT Suite Scores: Making the Most of Student Results

Student and Educator Score Reports and Best Practices for using 2021 results
Topics

- Important Updates for the 2021-22 School Year
- SAT Suite Overview
- PSAT/NMSQT Score Release
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Important Updates for 2021-2022 School Year
Three key options to help your school adhere to safety and social distancing restrictions this fall:

**Off-Site Testing**
- Schools can use this option to distribute students among multiple locations, allowing for more distance between test takers.

**Multiple Administration Dates**
- Schools can take advantage of multiple administration dates to reduce the number of students reporting to school on a single test date.

**Flexible Start Times**
- Schools can stagger arrivals and dismissals to be certain they have ample space and staffing. All testing must start before the first group to test completes testing.

* This flexibility is always in place for the PSAT 8/9
The invoicing window for the October 2021 PSAT/NMSQT administration opens November 18th and **the deadline for schools to complete invoicing activities is Friday, December 10, 2021.**

Before December 10th, schools must review their PSAT/NMSQT answer sheet counts in the Test Ordering Site (TOS), complete the fee waiver rosters, and make any necessary grade-level adjustments, enter billing information, and more.

Invoices will be mailed to schools in mid-December.
Simplified Process for Identifying Fee Waiver-Eligible Students

For the October PSAT/NMSQT Administrations

- Schools are **no longer required to order** PSAT/NMSQT fee waivers prior to test day.

- After test day, Test Coordinators may simply **log into the test ordering site and select** fee waiver-eligible students from an online roster!

- When students next log in to their College Board accounts, they’ll be asked to **accept the fee waiver benefits** to have them loaded in their account.
• The PSAT/NMSQT coordinator must indicate eligible students in the online roster as having used a fee waiver.

• If you skip this step, the school will be billed the full retail price for all students’ exams, and the students will not receive their fee reduction benefits.

• Students who were indicated as eligible for the full set of SAT fee reduction benefits will be notified when they log into their College Board account on the SAT registration site. Students can accept or decline eligibility or choose to be asked later. If a student confirms that they're eligible for fee waiver benefits, a full set of SAT fee reduction benefits will be applied to their student profile.
The SAT Suite of Assessments: Content, Key Features, Format, & Benefits
The SAT® Suite of Assessments

PSAT™ 8/9
sets readiness baseline

PSAT/NMSQT®
and PSAT™ 10
allow check-in on student progress

SAT®
connects students to college

Grade 8
Fall/Spring

Grade 9
Fall/Spring

Grade 10
Fall

Grade 10
Spring

Grade 11
Fall

Grade 11
Spring

Grade 12
Fall

PSAT 8/9
PSAT 8/9
PSAT/NMSQT
PSAT 10
PSAT/NMSQT
SAT
SAT
Format of the SAT® Suite of Assessments

SAT®
PSAT™-Related Assessments

Evidence Based Reading and Writing Section
- Reading Test
- Writing and Language Test

Math Section
- Math Test
  - No Calculator Portion
  - Calculator-Allowed Portion
Key Features of the PSAT™-Related Assessments

- Words in Context
- Command of Evidence
- Math that Matters Most
- Problems Grounded in Real-world Contexts
- Analysis in Science and in History/Social Studies
- U.S. Founding Documents and the Great Global Conversation
- No Penalty for Guessing
Comparing the Time and Scoring of the SAT Suite of Assessments

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Benefits of the PSAT/NMSQT

- Personalized SAT practice on Khan Academy based on students’ PSAT/NMSQT answers
- Aligned to the SAT
- Increased access to additional scholarship providers
- Online college and career planning tools
- Admission and financial aid information from colleges
- Majors and career exploration with College Board and Roadtrip Nation
PSAT/NMSQT
2021 Score Release
Paper score reports will not be mailed for PSAT Related assessments i.e. including PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 8/9.

Educators will be able to access scores and score reports through the K12 Score Reporting Portal November 29.
Score Reports for PSAT-Related Assessments are Now Exclusively Online

Robust online, printable reports available for students and educators

Score Reporting for 2021

Robust Online Reports
• We’ll continue providing a robust set of online, printable reports - including all information contained in the paper reports - through our K-12 Score Reporting Portal for educators and student College Board accounts.

Connection to Opportunities
• With online reporting, students and educators are seamlessly connected to other College Board opportunities, Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy, college readiness resources, and opportunities to find scholarships.

Resources
• Updated resources to support educators and students access scores including video modules, presentations, and downloads.
Unique access codes will be emailed to students December 6-7, 2021.

- Students can also access their scores online via https://studentscores.collegeboard.org
- If a student did not provide an email address on their PSAT answer sheet, or if the email address they provided is incorrect, they will not receive an email with their access code.
- Educators, with access to the K-12 Score Reporting Portal, can assist students with viewing or downloading their scores.
“What do all of my different scores mean?”
Alignment & Readiness: PSAT/NMSQT Scores

The PSAT/NMSQT is designed to reflect the work that students are already doing in the classroom.

Using your complete score report, you can understand your strengths, and focus your learning on the specific areas where you need it most.

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How Does the PSAT/NMSQT Connect to the SAT?

**Content and Domain Alignment**
All tests in the SAT Suite of Assessments (SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9) are aligned to the same research backbone and focus on the same domain of knowledge and skills.

**Scoring**
All tests in the SAT Suite of Assessments are on a common score scale that provides consistent feedback, enabling teachers to adjust instruction to better support students who are ahead or behind.
SAT® College and Career Readiness Benchmarks

➢ Overall college and career readiness is defined as achieving both of the section-level benchmarks on a given assessment.

➢ 75% likelihood of earning at least a C in a first-semester, credit-bearing college course in a related subject

➢ Set at section level

➢ Grade-level benchmarks are based on expected student growth toward the SAT Benchmarks:

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“How Do I Access My Online PSAT/NMSQT Scores & Reports?”
Student Access to Online PSAT/NMSQT® Scores and Reports

Log in to an existing College Board account or create a new one at studentscores.collegeboard.org
Student Access to Online PSAT/NMSQT® Scores and Reports

1. Log in to your account.
2. Select PSAT/NMSQT Scores
   *OR*
3. Use the “Matching Tool” to locate scores
Students can use the information in the online score reports to:

- Pinpoint areas of academic strengths and weaknesses;
- Review Skills Insight™ to get targeted suggestions for improving performance;
- Identify test questions* and answer explanations* in areas of difficulty to clarify errors in understanding and answer selection;
- Link their College Board account with Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy.

*PSAT-related assessments only

Let’s check it out: sat.org/scoresdemo
“What Do My Scores Tell Me?”
Beyond the Total Score

1. Total Score
   200-1200 Score

2. Section Scores
   160-180 Score
   - Evidence-Based Reading and Writing
   - Math

3. Cross-Test Scores
   8-38 Score
   - Reading
   - Writing and Language
   - Math
   - Analysis in History/Social Studies
   - Analysis in Science

7. Subscores
   1-15 Score
   - Command of Evidence
   - Heart of Algebra
   - Words in Context
   - Problem Solving and Data Analysis
   - Expression of Ideas
   - Passport to Advanced Math
   - Standard English Conventions

Here is an overview of your scores:

**Total Score**

- **Score: 960**
- **Range:** 920-1000
- **Percentile:** 51st

**Section Scores**

- **Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Score:**
  - **Score:** 430
  - **Range:** 380-510
  - **Percentile:** 40th

- **Math Score:**
  - **Score:** 530
  - **Range:** 460-600
  - **Percentile:** 60th

Your Estimated PSAT 10 & PSAT/NMSQT Section Scores

- **Evidence-Based Reading and Writing**
  - **Projected Score:** 450 - 560
  - **Benchmark:** 460
- **Math**
  - **Projected Score:** 440 - 560
  - **Benchmark:** 510
Score Overview and Score Details

Here is an overview of your scores:

- **Total Score**: 960
  - 320 to 1520
  - Your Score Range: 920-1030
  - You scored higher than or equal to 95% of students.

Section Scores:

- **Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Score**: 430
  - Your score shows that you’re on track to be ready for college but you need to keep building your skills.
  - Your Score Range: 220-680

- **Math Score**: 530
  - Your score shows that you’re on track to be ready for college.
  - Your Score Range: 250-800

Test Scores:

- **Reading**: Score 23
  - Your Score Range: 21-25
  - You are in the 48th percentile.

- **Writing and Language**: Score 20
  - Your Score Range: 19-22
  - You are in the 86th percentile.

- **Math**: Score 26.5
  - Your Score Range: 25-28
  - You are in the 83rd percentile.

Cross-Test Scores:

- Scores that show how well you analyze tests and solve problems related to science, history, and social studies.
Beyond the Total Score

Test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores give students insightful information about their strengths and areas for improvement.
Using the Grade Level Benchmarks

Section, test, and subscores all report scores in performance zones that indicate whether you are on track for meeting the college readiness benchmarks on the SAT®.

**Section scores**

- **Need to Strengthen Skills** = below grade-level benchmark by more than one year
- **Approaching Benchmark** = below grade-level benchmark by one year or less
- **Meets or Exceeds Benchmark** = at or above grade-level benchmark

**Test scores and subscores**

Red, yellow, and green ranges reflect areas of strengths and weaknesses compared to the typical performance of students.
“How can I use my scores to improve academically?”
Focusing on Growth: Using the Skills Insight™

• Skills Insight™ informs you about what you are already likely able to do, and how you can improve your skills.

• Demonstrates how the SAT Suite of Assessments is linked to the knowledge and skills taught in the classroom.

• Provides actionable suggestions for improving skills that help students gain additional practice.
Assessment FOR Learning

See the actual questions, answer choices, and the answer selected.

Look at the online score report and consider the following:

1. Which questions were answered incorrectly?
2. What is the correct answer and the answer explanation?
3. Why was the error made?
4. Which answer explanations need additional explanation from your teacher?
Assessment FOR Learning

Check the level of difficulty of each question and the related subscores and cross-test scores.

Look at the types of questions answered incorrectly and skipped and consider the following:

- Identify the level of difficulty. How many questions did I miss at each level?
- Was I more likely to skip questions associated with any subscore or cross-test score?
- What inferences can I make about areas for improvement based on the types of questions I missed and skipped?
Determining Advanced Coursework

AP Potential uses scores from the PSAT/NMSQT® to provide predictions for 24 AP® Exams.

AP Potential is a free, web-based tool that helps you with access to AP® through data from the SAT® Suite of Assessments, including the PSAT/NMSQT.

You’ll see the list of AP courses you might do well in based on your test scores. You’ll also see which of the courses are offered in your school and which match a college major that you told us you’re interested in.

*AP Potential is only one data point to inform course enrollment and school decision-making.

New in December 2021
AP Seminar will be added to the AP Potential tool in December 2021.
“What Are My Next Steps?”
Additional Resources in Student Score Portal

- Link scores with Khan Academy®
  - Set up a practice plan and stick to it
- AP Potential
- Register for the SAT®
- BigFuture™
  - College Action Plan
  - College Search
  - Scholarships
  - Financial Aid
- Student Search Service®
- Career Finder
- College Board Opportunity Scholarships (CBOS)
- College Board Scholarship Search

See Previous GaDOE & CB Webinar on these topics!
Questions?

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AP Services for Students & Parents
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Email: apstudents@info.collegeboard.org

Account Help for All College Board Programs
866-315-6068
Reports for Educators: Counseling, Improving, & Monitoring
Accessing the K–12 Score Reporting Portal: The Basics

• Before you can use the K-12 reporting portal, you need to be given access.

• The **Access Manager** is the person responsible for giving access to anyone at your school who needs it.

• You will be assigned one or more reporting roles based on the information you need to help your students.

K12-Assessment Reporting Help page: https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/educators/k-12/reporting-portal-help
K-12 Score Reporting Portal

- A homepage for all users – State, District, and School Users assigned at least one of the reporting roles
- Quick search for districts, schools, or students (user specific)
- All reports provided on the homepage
  - Grouped by task
  - Report descriptions provided
- Quick and Guided report selection
- Report history to allow users to quickly re-run a report
Select the Report You Need

What Report Are You Looking For?

**Counsel Students**
Share scores with students and parents.

- **Roster**
- **Scores and Benchmarks**

**Improve Instruction**
Figure out who needs help and improve curriculum.

- **Question Analysis**
- **Instructional Planning**
- **Scores and Benchmarks**

**Track Progress**
Monitor and report on your institution and plan for the future.

- **Summary**
- **Demographics**
- **Scores and Benchmarks**
- **Growth**
Summary & Roster Reports

- High Level Summary of participants
- Find registered student information
- Find Fee Waiver Usage
- Find AP Potential Code
- Find student portal access codes
- Print labels & score reports
Information from the SAT Suite of Assessments can also help schools to identify students who are likely to perform well in AP courses.

AP Potential is a free, web-based tool that helps you increase access to AP® through data from the SAT® Suite of Assessments to identify students who demonstrate readiness to succeed on certain AP Exams.

- Increase access to Advanced Placement® courses
- Identify students who have the potential to be successful in AP® courses
- Identify additional AP courses in which students may be successful
- Increase equity of access to AP
- Generate sample letters to parents to encourage AP enrollment
- Export data to .csv file.

AP Potential access code emails are being sent on Friday, December 3. The emails will go to AP coordinators, principals, and PSAT/SAT coordinators. For districts, they'll be sent to the PSAT district contact and the SAT school day district contact.

Upcoming GaDOE & CB Webinar on this topic!
Demographics Report

Comparative data Reports over total/section scores, test scores, cross-test scores, or subscores by specific student populations

- Gender
- Race/Ethnicity
- Race/Ethnicity by Gender
- Student Search Service

All data is illustrative only
Scores & Benchmark Report

- View mean score comparisons: School, District, State, Nation
- View participation percentages
- View Benchmark Data

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Instructional Planning Report

Provides breakout of student performance in section scores, test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores:

- Need to strengthen skills (red)
- Approaching benchmark (yellow)
- Meets or exceeds benchmark (green)

Lists students in each performance group (school-level only)

Links to state standards aligned to subscores & Question Analysis Report

Exports reports to PDF or .xls files

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Instructional Planning Linked to Student Performance

Provides breakout of student performance in section scores, test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores:

- Need to strengthen skills (red)
- Approaching benchmark (yellow)
- Meets or exceeds benchmark (green)

Links to state standards aligned to subscores

Connect with Question Analysis report

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Using the Instructional Planning Report

1. Determine areas in which students are meeting and exceeding college and career readiness benchmarks.

2. Compare areas to curriculum-pacing maps, instructional strategies, and common assessments.

3. Consider what’s helping students to be successful in these areas:
   a. Time-on-task?
   b. Spiraled learning opportunities?
   c. Questions align to those used on common assessments for practice?

4. Compare these processes with those in content areas in which students are less successful as indicated by the reports. Identify possible processes for improvement in less successful areas.

5. Collaborate to design common activities, assignments, and assessments that build skills from year to year.
Question Analysis Report

Understand Student Achievement at a Detailed Level

- Provides aggregate question performance for your school as well as student-level question performance for all students in your school for each assessment, administration, and grade.
- Compares your students’ aggregate performance on a given question to the performance of all students in the district, state, and nation.
- Provides question content and answer explanations for disclosed forms.

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Educator Reports – Instructional Planning Linked to State Standards

See your state standards for Subscores

Note: Links to State Standards are provided anywhere a Subscore is reported – just hover the cursor over the blue question mark.

CollegeBoard
SAT Suite E-Modules

Our e-modules help you understand the SAT Suite of Assessments and use supporting resources to guide students toward college.

Module topics include:
- Creating a College Board professional account
- Administering and understanding the SAT Suite of Assessments
- Requesting and providing test accommodations
- Using the K–12 score reporting portal
- Supporting students by using Official SAT Practice Coach Tools on Khan Academy®

Click for Link
Score Resources for Counselors & Resources

**Score Resources Page**
- Find lesson plans, handouts, guides, presentation, short “how-to” videos for students, and more

**Resources Page**
- A centralized resource library for all things College Board

[link](collegeboard.org/counselors)

Filter materials based on your needs
Teacher Implementation Guide

- Information and strategies for teachers in all subject areas
- Overview of content and structure for the SAT Suite of Assessments
- Test highlights
- General Instructional Strategies
- Sample test questions and annotations
  - Skill-Building Strategies for the classroom
  - Keys to the SAT (information pertaining to the SAT Suite structure and format)
  - Rubrics and sample essays
- Scores and reporting
- Advice to share with students
Scores Presentation & Lesson Plan

- Manuals, handouts, presentations, forms, and other documents that help you implement SAT Suite Testing
- Find the resources for administration as well as those that would best serve your population of students.
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Join us for our next Wednesday webinars!

• **January 12th** – 9:30 AM  
  *Expanding with Impact*: AP Computer Science Principles

• **January 19th** – 9:30 AM  
  *Expanding with Impact*: AP Seminar

• **January 26th** – 9:30 AM  
  GaDOE Session on Expanding AP

• **February 9th** – 9:30 AM  
  Using AP Potential Reports
Thank you for all that you continue to do for your students.

Treat yourself well; have a safe and relaxing break!