



# 2025 TEST REFERENCE GUIDE

## PSAT/NMSQT® Test Dates

College Board has indicated that districts may decide on a PSAT test date any time during the month of October. Check with your high school counselor to know exactly when your school is testing.

## PSAT/NMSQT® Test

The 11<sup>th</sup> grade PSAT test is the qualifying test for National Merit® Scholarship Programs. The test is given on a specific date selected by the high school, usually in October. Typically, a student must score in the top one half of one percent (99.5%) in the student's state of residence to qualify for National Merit® Semifinalist. National Merit® recognition can provide significant scholarship opportunities for college.

Some schools offer the PSAT test to students in 9<sup>th</sup> grade, and most schools will offer it to 10<sup>th</sup> graders. These serve as practice tests for students and as a test preparation starting point. The test is scored from 320-1520. For students completing high school in four years, only the 11<sup>th</sup> grade test is used to qualify for the National Merit® recognition programs. Score reports are released in November.

## SAT® Test Dates\*

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Reg. Deadline
5/3/25	4/18/25	4/22/25
6/7/25	5/22/25	5/27/25
8/23/25	8/8/25	8/12/25
9/13/25	8/29/25	9/2/25
10/4/25	9/19/25	9/23/25
11/8/25	10/24/25	10/28/25
12/6/25	11/21/25	11/25/25

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**Important Note from College Board:** Students who need to borrow a device from College Board will need to register and request their device earlier than the registration deadline—at least 30 days before test day.

## SAT® Test

The SAT test is used by colleges around the country in the selection process for admission, scholarships, honors programs, and/or competitive majors. The test has two sections: the Reading and Writing section covers reading comprehension and grammar while the Math section covers foundational math concepts. Each section is scored from 200-800. The two section scores are added together for a total score between 400-1600. Score reports are released into your College Board account 2-3 weeks after the test date.

## ACT® Test Dates\*

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Reg. Deadline
4/5/25	2/28/25	3/16/25
6/14/25	5/9/25	5/26/25
7/12/25**	6/6/25	6/20/25
9/6/25	8/1/25	8/19/25
10/18/25	9/12/25	9/30/25
12/13/25	11/7/25	11/24/25

\*\*July test not available in New York

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Customer Service: 319-337-1270

## ACT® Test

The ACT test is used by colleges around the country in the selection process for admission, scholarships, honors programs, and/or competitive majors. It is accepted equally to the SAT test by colleges. The digital ACT test, which debuted a new format in April, features three "core" sections—English, Math, and Reading. The Science and Essay sections are optional. The three core sections are scored from 1-36, then averaged for the composite score. The score report will also include a STEM score if students choose to take the Science section. Score reports are released 2-8 weeks after the test date. **Note: Beginning in September 2025, both the digital and paper versions will feature the new format.**

## 2025 AP® Test Dates\*

Week 1	May 5 - 9
Week 2	May 12 - 16

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Contact Us

**Do not hesitate to contact one of our advisors for testing recommendations that are specific to your student.** Our campuses are open six days a week for any of your questions or concerns. Scan the QR code for all KD contact information.

\* All registration and test dates are subject to change.

# TESTING TIMELINE & KD Recommendations !

## 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

**PSAT test** – October (for practice)  
Date selected by high school and **not offered by every** school.

## 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

**PSAT test** – October (for practice)  
Date selected by high school and **offered by most** schools.

! We recommend students prepare for **both** the SAT and ACT tests during the 10th grade to see if there is an advantage with either test format.

## 11<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

**PSAT test** – October (used for National Merit® recognition)  
Date selected by high school and **offered by every** school.  
**SAT test** – August, September, October, November, December, March, May, June  
**ACT test** – September, October, December, February, April, June, July

! We recommend students prepare for and take **both** the SAT and ACT tests during the 11<sup>th</sup> grade if necessary, to see if there is an advantage with either test format. Typically, students should plan to take the SAT test twice during fall/winter and the ACT test twice during the spring/summer. **Why?** This affords students more time to develop familiarity with the ACT test's more advanced math section.

! Our goal for all of our students is to finish testing by the summer before 12<sup>th</sup> grade. **Why?** Finishing allows students to spend the summer before their 12<sup>th</sup> grade year focused on college applications and admissions essays, which can be a very labor-intensive project. **Note:** If you are still testing in 12<sup>th</sup> grade, please see a KD Advisor for a plan that is specific to your admissions goals.

## 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

**SAT test** – August, September, October, November, December, March, May, June  
**ACT test** – September, October, December, February, April, June, July

! Test dates selected must meet college application and scholarship deadlines. December is the last available testing date for most college applications. **However,** many students continue to test into the spring of 12<sup>th</sup> grade year for different reasons: scholarships, competitive degree plans, honors colleges, etc.

# CONVERSION TABLE for the SAT® and ACT® Tests

ACT®	SAT®	SAT® Score Range
36	1590	1570-1600
35	1540	1530-1560
34	1500	1490-1520
33	1460	1450-1480
32	1430	1420-1440
31	1400	1390-1410
30	1370	1360-1380
29	1340	1330-1350
28	1310	1300-1320
27	1280	1260-1290
26	1240	1230-1250
25	1210	1200-1220
24	1180	1160-1190
23	1140	1130-1150
22	1110	1100-1120
21	1080	1060-1090
20	1040	1030-1050
19	1010	990-1020
18	970	960-980
17	930	920-950
16	890	880-910
15	850	830-870
14	800	780-820
13	760	730-770
12	710	690-720
11	670	650-680
10	630	620-640
9	590	590-610

**NOTE:** Colleges accept SAT or ACT test scores equally. Colleges may utilize scores submitted from either the highest score on a single test day, or the highest component scores submitted from multiple test dates, often referred to as superscoring. Always check the college testing policies for clarification.



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