

2023-2024 TEST REFERENCE GUIDE

* All registration and test dates are subject to change.

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.

SAT® Test Dates*				
Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Reg. Deadline		
8/26/23	7/28/23	8/15/23		
10/7/23	9/7/23	9/26/23		
11/4/23	10/5/23	10/24/23		
12/2/23	11/2/23	11/21/23		
3/9/24**	2/23/24	2/27/24		
5/4/24**	4/19/24	4/23/24		
6/1/24**	5/16/24	5/21/24		

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Customer Service: 866-756-7346
**Digital test dates.

Important Note from College Board: Students taking the digital SAT 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.

ACT® Test Dates*				
Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Reg. Deadline		
7/15/23**	6/16/23	6/23/23		
9/9/23	8/4/23	8/18/23		
10/28/23	9/22/23	10/6/23		
12/9/23	11/3/23	11/17/23		
2/10/24	1/5/24	1/19/24		
4/13/24	3/8/24	3/22/24		
6/8/24	5/3/24	5/17/24		

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Customer Service: 319-337-1270
**July Test Not Available in New York

2024 AP® Test Dates*

Week 1	May 6 - 10
Week 2	May 13 - 17

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PSAT/NMSQT® Test

The 11th 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 state of the student's 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 9th grade and most schools will offer it to 10th graders. These serve as practice tests for students and a test preparation starting point. The test is scored from 320-1520. For students completing high school in four years, only the 11th grade test is used to qualify for the National Merit® recognition programs. Score reports are released mid-December.

NOTE: See important testing changes for the PSAT test below.

SAT® Test

The SAT test is used in the selection process for admission, scholarships, honors programs, and competitive majors by colleges around the country. The test covers reading comprehension, grammar, and math concepts and is scored from 400-1600. Score reports are released 2-3 weeks after the test date.

NOTE: See important testing changes for the SAT test below.

ACT® Test

The ACT test is used in the selection process for college admission, scholarships, honors programs, and competitive majors. It is accepted equally to the SAT test by colleges. The ACT test has English, Math, Reading, and Science sections and is scored from 1-36. Score reports are released 2-8 weeks after the test date.

IMPORTANT CHANGES for the PSAT and SAT Tests:

The PSAT test will change to a digital format beginning in the fall of 2023. Schools and testing centers in the U.S. will offer the first digital SAT test in the spring of 2024. **NOTE:** KD College Prep will be fully preparing its students for both paper and digital test formats for PSAT and SAT tests. For more details, call one of our campuses and ask to speak with an advisor.

Class of 2024

These changes will only affect Class of 2024 U.S. high school students who take the test during the spring of their 12th grade year. College Board will offer the first digital SAT test in the U.S. in the spring of 2024. **NOTE:** We strongly encourage students to complete testing prior to 12th grade to allow for more time to focus on college applications.

Class of 2025

These students will experience both paper and digital tests. In 10th grade they took the paper PSAT test. In 11th grade they will take the digital PSAT test. For SAT tests taken through December of the 11th grade, these students will take the paper version. Starting in spring of 11th grade, they will take the new digital SAT test. **NOTE:** We strongly encourage students to complete SAT testing by December of 11th grade to utilize the existing paper format which is a well-known format by colleges.

Class of 2026 and Beyond

These students will take the PSAT and SAT tests in a strictly digital testing environment.

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TESTING TIMELINE &

KD Recommendations (!)

9TH GRADE

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

10[™] GRADE

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

11[™] GRADE

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

- We recommend planning on taking **both** the SAT and ACT tests during your 11th grade year to see if you have a scoring advantage with either test format.
- Typically students should plan on taking the SAT test twice during the fall semester and the ACT test twice during the spring semester. Why? This affords students more time to develop familiarity with the ACT test's more advanced math section. It also allows for more testing experience for the ACT test's faster-paced questions.
- Our goal for all of our students is to be finished testing by the end of 11th grade. **Why?** Being finished allows students to spend the summer before their 12th grade year focused on college applications and admissions essays, which can be a very labor-intensive project. **Note:** If you are not finished testing by your 12th grade year, please see a KD Advisor for a plan that is specific to your admissions goals.

12TH GRADE

SAT test – August, 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 12th 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.

