

PSAT 8/9

See What's Possible Sooner

Every student has potential.
See it from the start.



Schools and districts need earlier visibility into whether students are on track, and disconnected assessments make it harder to build a clear picture over time. The PSAT™ 8/9 changes that. As the starting point of the SAT Suite of Assessments, it establishes an early baseline in the core reading, writing, and math skills students need for college and career readiness. That baseline becomes the foundation for a longitudinal system that gets more powerful with every assessment that follows—measurable, aligned, and actionable from 8th grade through graduation.



Because all assessments in the SAT Suite are built on the same scale, schools can monitor growth over time and gain a clearer picture of student readiness from middle school through graduation.



District and School Value

- **Earlier, actionable insights—years before the SAT:** Set individual and class baselines as early as 8th grade to identify students who need support before gaps widen.
- **Growth tracking over time:** Follow student's math, reading and writing knowledge, as well as skill development across the full SAT Suite—PSAT 8/9 through SAT—on a consistent, research-based scale.
- **Tools to translate data into action:** Knowledge & Skills reports, Skills Insight™, and Educator Question Bank help educators turn aggregate results into targeted classroom support.
- **Advanced pathway identification:** Use AP Potential™ to identify students ready for advanced coursework earlier and more broadly.*
- **Student opportunity and readiness:** Students receive skills-based score feedback, career insights, and robust free practice resources—including Khan Academy® courses—to build toward their post-high school goals.

PSAT 8/9 at a Glance

Duration:
2 hours, 14 minutes

2 sections:
Reading and
Writing; and Math

Score scale: 240–1440

Digital Testing App:
Bluebook™ (same as
SAT & AP® Exams)

Results: Within 2 weeks



How the PSAT 8/9 Sets the SAT Suite in Motion

BASELINE

Early readiness data and insights in reading, writing, and math

ACTION

Targeted instruction, intervention, and pathway planning

ACCESS

Expanded access to AP coursework, college planning, scholarships, and career pathways

RESULTS

Students confident and ready for the SAT and what comes after

A Full System of Free Practice and Support

PSAT 8/9 results connect students and educators to a unified ecosystem of free practice, planning, and instructional support tools that scale across the SAT Suite, including:



**Official SAT
Practice and Prep
on Khan Academy**



**Bluebook
practice
tests**



**Student question
bank for targeted
practice by skill area**



**BigFuture®
School**

“The district utilizes the PSAT 8/9 and PSAT/NMSQT® as early diagnostic tools, helping to identify students’ strengths and areas for growth as early as 8th grade. This proactive approach allows educators to tailor instruction to meet students’ needs, offering targeted support in key areas such as reading, writing, and mathematics.”

Tracey Morman, Director of Counseling, Amarillo Independent School District, Amarillo, Texas

Learn more at: satsuite.org/why-p89.

*AP Potential is provided to 9th-grade students and above.

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