

WHY TAKE THE PSAT?

The PSAT is the best preparation for the SAT. Students should take the test in 11th grade to qualify for the National Merit Scholarship Corporation's scholarship programs. Students can also benefit from taking the test in the 10th grade because they'll get personalized feedback on the academic skills needed for college.

The PSAT/NMSQT measures:

- critical reading skills
- math problem-solving skills
- writing skills

The most common reasons for taking the PSAT/NMSQT are:

To evaluate your strengths and weaknesses on skills necessary for college study. You can then focus your preparation on those areas that could most benefit from additional study or practice.

To see how your performance on an admissions test might compare with that of others applying to college.

To enter the competition for scholarships from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (grade 11).

MY COLLEGE QUICKSTART...

Students who take the PSAT/NMSQT receive this free, personalized college and career planning kit. With My College QuickStart, you can:

Access your enhanced online score report.

Prepare for the SAT[®] with a customized study plan, based on PSAT/NMSQT results.

View a starter list of colleges determined by your home state and indicated choice of major.

Connect to detailed profiles of colleges, majors, and careers.