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Readiness  
and Success  
System



Focused  
Assessments

## The PSAT™ 8/9: Start Students on a Path to Success

### Establish a College Readiness Baseline for Your Students

The PSAT™ 8/9 is an assessment designed for eighth- and ninth-grade students and is closely aligned to the PSAT/NMSQT® and PSAT™ 10. It is the first test of the SAT® Suite of Assessments. These tests reflect what students are already learning in their classrooms and provide benchmarks to understanding students' progress as they enter high school.

### Monitor Growth Over Time with the SAT® Suite of Assessments

SAT Suite of Assessment scores are reported on a common vertical scale, allowing educators to measure student progress.

#### **PSAT™ 8/9**

sets readiness  
baseline

#### **PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT™ 10\***

allow check-in on  
student progress

#### **SAT**

connects students  
to college

Learn more at [psat.org/8-9](https://psat.org/8-9).

**PSAT™ 8/9**

## Help Prepare Students for College

The PSAT 8/9 focuses on the few things that evidence shows matter most for college and career success and provides districts and schools with unparalleled benefits.

### Actionable Data

An online reporting portal allowing educators and administrators to:

- ▶ View consistent reporting across all tests in the SAT Suite of Assessments.
- ▶ Use PSAT 8/9 results to inform instruction.
- ▶ Filter results by demographics for use with equity and access initiatives.

### Free personalized SAT practice for students

A collaboration with Khan Academy offers students and educators:

- ▶ Personalized online instruction that complements great classroom instruction.
- ▶ Official SAT Practice questions and full-length tests.
- ▶ Detailed information on student progress to guide next steps.
- ▶ Free access — anytime, anywhere.

These resources may also be used to prepare for the PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 because of the close alignment of these tests to the SAT.

### AP Potential™

A tool that uses PSAT 8/9 scores to help identify ninth-grade students who are likely to succeed in two AP courses: AP World History and AP European History.

Students who succeed in AP courses:

- ▶ Are more likely to succeed in college.
- ▶ Have the opportunity to save money on credit-granting and placement policies.

## Administer in Fall or Spring

States, districts, and schools have the flexibility to administer the test in the fall and/or spring, depending on their specific goals.

### 2015-16 Testing Windows:

September 28, 2015 – January 29, 2016

February 22 – March 4, 2016

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