



TESTING

2020-2021

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Naperville North High School

2020-21 Standardized Testing Information

STATE TESTING

<u>Date</u>	<u>Exam</u>	<u>Registration Information</u>
September 23, 2020	STATE SAT	All NNHS Seniors tested - REQUIRED for graduation No registration required. REQUIRED - Make-up October 27, 2020
October 14, 2020	PSAT/NMSQT	ALL NNHS Juniors tested No registration required.
March 2021 TBD	Illinois Science Assessment	ALL NNHS Juniors will test No registration required. REQUIRED - Make-up TBD
April 13, 2021	STATE SAT*	All NNHS Juniors will test. No registration required. REQUIRED for Graduation - Make-up April 27, 2021 Parent Consent form needed for SAT!
April 13, 2020	PSAT 10	All NNHS Sophomores will test. No registration required. REQUIRED – make-up April 27, 2021 Parent Consent form needed for PSAT 10!
April 14, 2021	PSAT 8/9	All NNHS Freshman will test. No registration required. REQUIRED – make-up April 27, 2021
May 4 15, 2020	Advanced Placement Testing	Registration for all AP Testing will take place September 1, 2020 - November 6, 2020. Information is distributed through AP teachers and Talk203 email.



NEW FOR 2020 –

All Junior and Sophomore students must submit CollegeBoard Parental Consent Form by March 1, 2021.

If we have no consent form, we will assume “NO”.



SAT SUITE OF ASSESSMENTS

Participation in College Planning Options Consent Form

Your child will participate in one of the SAT® Suite of Assessments on a school day—SAT®, PSAT/NMSQT® or the PSAT™ 10. The purpose of this form is to explain the information your student will be required to provide and the options available to your student related to their free SAT score sends, Student Search Service®, and the student questionnaire.

REQUIRED INFORMATION

Students will be required to provide College Board, the provider of the SAT Suite of Assessments, their first and last name, school name and school code, date of birth, grade level, gender and, for some states and districts, student identification number. This information is the minimum needed for scoring and reporting test results.

Options for Students

FREE SCORE SENDS

Students who are taking the SAT can send their scores to up to four colleges or scholarship programs at no cost. Score sends are optional, but we encourage students to demonstrate their interest in their chosen schools early. If left blank, no scores will be sent. Consent is not required for students to utilize their four free score sends.

STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE

As a parent, you can give consent for your student to opt in to Student Search Service when they complete their answer sheet. Student Search Service connects students with colleges

and scholarship organizations by sharing their information with participating organizations. This offers you and your student:

- Information about colleges and universities that match your student’s academic interests
- Information on financial aid and scholarships to help deserving students access scholarships they’ve earned
- Information about majors, courses, and degree options

College Board only shares student data with eligible colleges, universities, scholarships, and educational opportunity programs that have signed an agreement to only communicate with students for the purposes listed above. These entities most often connect with students based on expected graduation date, cumulative grade point average (GPA), score range, and intended college major.

STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE

As a parent, you can give consent for your student to participate in the student questionnaire. The information from these questions will be added to their College Board student record. Your child’s responses to the optional questionnaire:

- Provide data used by College Board for research and planning to improve tests and services
- Help match students with colleges, universities, scholarships, and educational opportunity programs

The Student Guide describes what the questionnaire asks and how student information is used. Please review the Student Guide and indicate below if your child will or will not complete the optional questionnaire and opt in to Student Search Service.

Return this completed and signed form to your child’s school by the deadline set by your school. You can learn more at the College Board Privacy Center at collegeboard.org.

- Yes.** I give consent for my child to opt in to Student Search Service and to participate in the student questionnaire.
- No.** I do not give my child consent to opt in to Student Search Service and to participate in the student questionnaire.

Student Name (Printed) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Note: Schools may only permit students who have parental consent to participate in Student Search Service and the student questionnaire



STATE SAT for Seniors - September 23, 2020

- ▶ Students will be assigned to a classroom with 15 or less students, spaced 6 feet apart.
- ▶ A classroom list will be emailed home, listing the students' NNHS ID# and the classroom they are assigned.
- ▶ Students are expected to follow all CDC guidelines....No fever, cough, etc.
- ▶ Students are expected to have a mask, hand sanitizer, (2) #2 pencils (*not mechanical*), approved calculator (*see list in email*), (4) college codes.
- ▶ Do not bring your cell phone or smart watch. If you do, we will collect it at the door.
- ▶ Students will remain in the classroom for the entire test. Student will only be allowed to leave the classroom to use the restroom.
- ▶ Students are able to bring water/snacks, but they must be left at the front of the classroom.
- ▶ Transportation will be provided. Licensed students may drive.
- ▶ Accommodated testing will be (2) days. Case managers will contact student/parents.

STATE SAT for Seniors - September 23, 2020

State Requirement for graduation

IL School Code (105 ILCS 5/2-3.64a-5)

Sec. 2-3.64a-5. State goals and assessment

The State Board of Education shall annually assess schools that operate a secondary education program, as defined in Section 22-22 of this Code, in English language arts and mathematics. The State Board of Education shall administer no more than 3 assessments, per student, of English language arts and mathematics for students in a secondary education program. One of these assessments shall be recognized by this State's public institutions of higher education, as defined in the Board of Higher Education Act, for the purpose of student application or admissions consideration. The assessment administered by the State Board of Education for the purpose of student application to or admissions consideration by institutions of higher education must be administered on a school day during regular student attendance hours.

Students who do not take the State's final accountability assessment or its approved alternate assessment may not receive a regular high school diploma unless the student is exempted from taking the State assessments under subsection (d) of this Section because the student is enrolled in a program of adult and continuing education, as defined in the Adult Education Act, or the student is identified by the State Board of Education, through rules, as being exempt from the assessment.

Make-up: October 27, 2020



PSAT/NMSQT for Juniors, October 14, 2020



WHY?

- ▶ The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®) is given to 11th-grade students. As part of the SAT® Suite of Assessments, it is designed to help prepare students for the SAT, college, and careers.
- ▶ Historically, students who take the PSAT/NMSQT score higher on the SAT, on average, than those who don't take the test.
- ▶ Students who take the PSAT/NMSQT in 11th grade may enter the National Merit® Scholarship Program, an academic competition for recognition and scholarships.
- ▶ Our other scholarship partners also use the PSAT/NMSQT to find students qualified to apply for their programs. These organizations give out over \$235 million in combined awards every year.
- ▶ Tests results posted the first week of December 2020.

PSAT/NMSQT for Juniors, October 14, 2020

- ▶ Same Rules as apply
- ▶ Students will be assigned to a classroom with 15 or less students, spaced 6 feet apart.
- ▶ A classroom list will be emailed home, listing the students' NNHS ID# and the classroom they are assigned .
- ▶ Students are expected to follow all CDC guidelines....No fever, cough, etc.
- ▶ Students are expected to have a mask, hand sanitizer, (2) #2 pencils (*not mechanical*), approved calculator (*see list on line*)
- ▶ Do not bring your cell phone or smart watch. If you do, we will collect it at the door.
- ▶ Students will remain in the classroom for the entire test. Student will only be allowed to leave the classroom to use the restroom.
- ▶ Students are able to bring water/snacks, but they must be left at the front of the classroom.
- ▶ Transportation will be provided. Licensed students may drive.
- ▶ Most accommodated testing will be (2) days. Case managers will contact student/parents.



Illinois Science Assessment

For spring 2020, students in grade 11 will participate in the ISA in addition to the SAT. The SAT does not assess science.

March 2021

- ▶ ALL Juniors
- ▶ Mandatory
- ▶ Taken during a regular school day
- ▶ 3 sections, approximately 40 minutes long
- ▶ Electronic testing, bring chrome book and charger

- ▶ More information to follow.

ALL JUNIORS take the SAT on Tuesday, April 13, 2021

- ▶ All Juniors are registered to take the SAT on Tuesday, April 13, 2021.
- ▶ Test will start promptly at 7:45AM.
- ▶ End Time for Non-Accommodated students 1:15pm, consent students 2:00pm.
- ▶ Lunch will be available for purchase.
- ▶ Full bus run at 12:00 & 1:15pm.
- ▶ Must have Parent Consent Form by March 1, 2021.
- ▶ MANDATORY for graduation.
- ▶ Makeup date Tuesday, April 27, 2021.
- ▶ Bring College Codes to send scores.

Accommodated Juniors return to complete the test on Wednesday, April 14, 2021.

- ▶ More information to follow.

ALL SOPHOMORES take the PSAT10 on Tuesday, April 13, 2021

- ▶ All Sophomores are registered to take the PSAT10 on Tuesday, April 13, 2021.
- ▶ Test will begin promptly at 7:45AM.
- ▶ End Time for Non-Accommodated students 12:00pm and 1:15pm. Consent will be longer.
- ▶ Lunch will be available for purchase.
- ▶ Full bus run at 12:00 pm & 1:15pm.
- ▶ Must have Parent Consent Form by March 1, 2021.
- ▶ Makeup date Tuesday April 27, 2021

Accommodated Juniors & Sophomores return to complete the test on Wednesday, April 14, 2021.

- ▶ More information to follow.

ALL FRESHMAN take the PSAT8/9 on Wednesday, April 14, 2024

- ▶ All Freshman are registered to take the PSAT8/9 on Wednesday, April 14, 2021.
- ▶ **Test will begin promptly at 7:45AM.**
- ▶ End Time for Non-Accommodated students 12:00pm and 1:15pm.
- ▶ Lunch will be available for purchase.
- ▶ Full bus run at 12:00 & 1:15pm.
- ▶ Makeup date Tuesday April 27, 2021

Accommodated Freshman will complete the test on Thursday, April 15, 2020, during regular school hours.

- ▶ More information to follow.

COLLEGE BOARD

Every Student needs an account!

- ▶ With a College Board account, your student can: access PSAT/NMSQT®, PSAT™ 10, PSAT™ 8/9, SAT®, and AP® scores online. Send SAT and AP scores to the colleges of their choice.
- ▶ REGISTER for the national weekend administration of the SAT and College-Level Examination Program® (CLEP®) exams.
- ▶ PRINT SAT Admission Ticket for the national weekend administration of the SAT or CLEP Registration Ticket.
- ▶ MANAGE personal college list.
- ▶ SAVE scholarship searches.
- ▶ COMPARE costs at colleges.
- ▶ LINK to Khan Academy.

Free SAT Practice on Khan Academy

- ▶ Free SAT Practice on Khan Academy Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy® is FREE for all students and the best way to prepare for the SAT.
- ▶ Created by Khan Academy and the makers of the SAT, Official SAT Practice gives students a practice plan built just for them. When they link their College Board and Khan Academy accounts, students get a personalized study plan based on their results on tests like the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, or PSAT™ 10, so they can focus on the skills they need to work on most.
- ▶ Sign up for free today at satpractice.org.

KHAN ACADEMY

▶ Students also get access to:

Thousands of practice questions with instant feedback

Video lessons that explain problems step by step

Full-length practice tests

Studying and test-taking strategies

Students can access free, personalized SAT practice anytime, anywhere at satpractice.org. You can view SAT practice recommendations and progress for entire classes and individual students, making it easier than ever to get your students ready for the SAT. Research shows that students who spend 20 hours on Official SAT Practice gain an average of 115 points from the PSAT/NMSQT to the SAT.

How does my student sign up for College Board and Khan Academy?

Create a College Board Account - Sign Up Instructions

1. BEFORE YOU GET STARTED HAVE YOUR:
 - ▶ Email address
 - ▶ Expected high school graduation date (month and year)
 - ▶ High school name
2. GO TO COLLEGEBOARD.ORG
3. CLICK ON “SIGN UP”



How does my student sign up for College Board? *con't.*

4. SELECT “I AM A STUDENT”

5. CREATE A USERNAME AND PASSWORD

- ▶ Your username should have 6-15 characters and be made up of letters and numbers.
- ▶ Your password must be 7-15 characters with at least one number and one letter.
- ▶ Choose a security question and provide an answer you can easily remember.
- ▶ THIS IS YOUR STUDENTS ACCOUNT - NOT A PARENT ACCOUNT.

How do I sign up for Khan Academy?

Create a Khan Academy Account - Sign Up Instructions

1 - Go to satpractice.org

Create an Account on Khan Academy, or sign into your existing account.

2 - Link Your Accounts

When prompted, agree to link Khan Academy and College Board accounts.

3 - Send Your Scores

Log in to your College Board account, and hit “Send” to get a personalized practice plan.

The SAT and State Testing

Frequently Asked Questions...



Q: When is state testing?

A: Seniors will take the SAT on September 23, 2020, makeup on October 27, 2020
Juniors will take the PSAT NMSQT on October 14, 2020, no makeup.
Juniors will take the Illinois Science Assessment in March of 2021. (mandatory)
Juniors will take the SAT on April 13, 2021, makeup on April 27, 2021. (Required for Graduation)
Sophomores will take the PSAT 10 on April 13, 2021, makeup on April 27, 2021. (mandatory)
Freshman will take the PSAT 8/9 on April 14, 2021, makeup on April 21, 2021. (mandatory)

Q: What is College Board and why does my junior need an account?

A: College Board is the umbrella testing company that encompasses the SAT, PSAT NMSQT, PSAT10, PSAT8/9, and AP tests. By creating an account, students have access to free test preparation materials through Khan Academy, can register for additional SAT tests outside of the state SAT, send their scores to the schools of their choice, and have instant access to their scores upon release. The account is free to make.

Q: My older student took the ACT, why aren't we doing that test and can my current student supplement the ACT for the SAT?

A: The state of Illinois changed their state test from the ACT to the SAT during the 2016/17 school year. The state provides all public school districts with the resources to provide the state test to their current juniors – for the foreseeable future, that test will be the SAT. Students may not substitute the ACT for the SAT because of standardization of school reports. If they do not take the exam on the initial date, they must make it up on an alternate date set by the state. The SAT test is a requirement for graduation.



The SAT and State Testing

Frequently Asked Questions...

Q: Does the state test cost money? Does my student need to register?

A: Nope! The state of Illinois provides this administration for free to all juniors. Because we use the Illinois State Board of Education resources, students also do not need to register for the exam. All they need to do is show up with their non-mechanical number 2 pencils, their approved calculator, a snack or two, and their school ID. For more information on approved calculators, see the following link:

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat-subject-tests/taking-the-test/calculator-policy>

Q: Do all colleges accept the SAT?

A: Yes! Every single college in the United States accepts both the SAT and the ACT. They also do not weigh them any differently because of changing state testing standards throughout the country. You can send scores for the SAT or the ACT to the schools of your students choosing and the scores will be considered.

Q: So what are the main differences between the two tests?

A: Not a whole lot. In the past few years the SAT and the ACT have become much more comparable in terms of conceptual knowledge and skills being tested. To cite a few differences – the SAT, by minutes, is a little bit longer, the ACT has a science reasoning section (which tests reading comprehension and analysis with scientific data, not raw science knowledge), and the SAT has two math portions (one with a calculator and one without). They both have optional writing sections, both are weighted with national percentiles, and both test analytical and critical thinking as well as student's abilities to dodge trick answers.

Compare the SAT to the ACT

Test Snap Shot		
Features and Test Length	SAT	ACT
Widely Accepted	All US colleges	All US colleges
Tests Vocabulary Used in College	Yes	Yes
Math Formulas Provided	Yes	No
Essay	Optional	Optional
Penalty for Guessing	No	No
Test timing	3 hours + 50 minute essay	2 hours 55 minute + 40 minute essay
Number of Questions	154	215
Time Per Question	~ 1 minute 10 seconds	~ 49 seconds
Score range	Composite 400-1600; Essay separate score 2-8	Composite 1-36; Essay separate score 2-12



ACT or SAT

Which one is right for you?

TEST	ACT	SAT
TIMING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 hours and 35 minutes with Writing Test	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 hours and 50 minutes with Essay
STRUCTURE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 tests: English, Math, Reading, Science• Optional Writing Test	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 tests: Reading, Writing & Language, Math-Calculator, Math-No Calculator• Optional Essay
QUESTION TYPES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiple choice and Essay	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiple choice, grid-ins, and essay
SCORE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Highest composite score is 36, which is the average of the 4 tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Highest composite score is 1600, which is the sum of the 2 section scores



ACT or SAT

Which one is right for you?

CONTENT	ACT	SAT
READING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">35 minutes - 40 questions3 stand-alone and 1 paired passage: Natural Science, Humanities, Literature, and Social Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none">65 minutes - 52 questions4 stand-alone passages and 1 paired passage: Science, Literature, Social Science, Primary Sources and Careers
MATH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">60 minutes - 60 questionsMultiple choice questions with 5 answer choices: Preparing for Higher Mathematics, Integrating Essential Skills, and Modeling	<ul style="list-style-type: none">55 minutes (with calculator) - 38 questions25 minutes (without calculator) - 20 questionsMultiple choice and grid-in questions: Heart of Algebra, Problem Solving and Data Analysis, and Passport to Advance Math
SCIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">35 minutes - 40 questionsSeparate science section: Data Representation, Research Summaries, and Conflicting Viewpoints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Science passages throughout the testStudents receive an Analysis in Science Cross-Test Score
WRITING & LANGUAGE/ENGLISH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">45 minute - 75 questions5 passages: Production of Writing, Knowledge of Language, and Conventions of Standard English	<ul style="list-style-type: none">35 minutes - 44 questions4 passages: Command of Evidence, Words in Context, Analysis in History/Social Sciences and in Science, Expression of Ideas, and Standard English Conventions
ESSAY (OPTIONAL)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">40 minutesStudents analyze 3 perspectives and give their own point of view4 scores, each on a scale of 2-12: Ideas and Analysis, Development and support, Organization, and Language Use and Conventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">50 minutesStudents analyze a 650-750 word document and explain how the author builds an argument3 scores, each on a scale of 2-8: Reading, Analysis, and Writing



ACT or SAT

Which one is right for you?

NOTABLE DIFFERENCES	ACT	SAT
TIMING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Less time per question	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• More time per question
MATH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• More geometry	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• More data analysis/problem solving• Math - No calculator section
SCORING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• English, Math, Reading, and Science each make up 25% of score	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evidence-Based Reading and Writing section and Math section each make up 50% of score
READING TOPICS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• More focus on science reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• More focus on history/social studies reading

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ACT changes for 2020

- ▶ **ACT Section Retesting**—Take a full ACT test once, then choose to retake the full test or one or more single-section subject tests to improve the ACT test scores. At testing centers only.
- ▶ **ACT Superscoring**—ACT will calculate superscores for all retests.
- ▶ **Faster Results with Online Testing**—Choose to take the ACT online to receive ACT test scores in as few as two business days.
- ▶ **Act.org/MoreChoices**



TEST DATE	ENGLISH SCORE	MATH SCORE	READING SCORE	SCIENCE SCORE	COMPOSITE SCORE
APRIL	19	20	23	21	21
JUNE	22	22	20	22	22
SEPTEMBER	20	23	21	21	21
TEST DATE	BEST ENGLISH SCORE	BEST MATH SCORE	BEST READING SCORE	BEST SCIENCE SCORE	SUPERSCORE
COMBINED	22	23	23	22	23

Example

Find the Superscore Calculator at act.org/MoreChoices

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2018 Concordance Tables

Table A1: SAT Total to ACT Composite

SAT	ACT	SAT	ACT	SAT	ACT
1600	36	1250	26	910	16
*1590	36	*1240	26	900	16
1580	36	1230	26	*890	16
1570	36	1220	25	880	16
1560	35	*1210	25	870	15
1550	35	1200	25	860	15
*1540	35	1190	24	*850	15
1530	35	*1180	24	840	15
1520	34	1170	24	830	15
1510	34	1160	24	820	14
*1500	34	1150	23	810	14
1490	34	*1140	23	*800	14
1480	33	1130	23	790	14
1470	33	1120	22	780	14
*1460	33	*1110	22	770	13
1450	33	1100	22	*760	13
1440	32	1090	21	750	13
*1430	32	*1080	21	740	13
1420	32	1070	21	730	13
1410	31	1060	21	720	12
*1400	31	1050	20	*710	12
1390	31	*1040	20	700	12
1380	30	1030	20	690	12
*1370	30	1020	19	680	11
1360	30	*1010	19	*670	11
1350	29	1000	19	660	11
*1340	29	990	19	650	11
1330	29	980	18	640	10
1320	28	*970	18	*630	10
*1310	28	960	18	620	10
1300	28	950	17	610	9
1290	27	940	17	600	9
*1280	27	*930	17	*590	9
1270	27	920	17		
1260	27				

Table A2: ACT Composite to SAT Total

ACT	SAT	SAT 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



*Use this SAT score when a single score point comparison is needed.

Note: Concordance tables for the ACT Composite were derived from concordances of the ACT sum score.



Q: Where can I go for more answers?

A: The College Board website - <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/>

Khan Academy SAT Prep - <https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>

ACT Academy – <https://academy.act.org/>

ISBE Assessment Page - <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/SAT.aspx>

NNHS Testing Page - <https://www.naperville203.org/Domain/28> (Student Services → Testing)

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