



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS

Dear Parents and Students,

All sophomores and juniors will take the Digital PSAT/NMSQT® at their home campus and are automatically registered for this test. Students will use Bluebook™, College Board's testing app, to take the test on their district-managed Chromebook.

Listed below are the PSAT/NMSQT Campus Testing Dates

Campus	10th Grade	11th Grade
Cinco Ranch HS	10/9/2024	10/9/2024
Freeman HS	10/16/2024	N/A
Jordan HS	10/9/2024	10/9/2024
Katy HS	10/16/2024	10/17/2024
Mayde Creek HS	10/9/2024	10/9/2024
Morton Ranch HS	10/9/2024	10/10/2024
Opportunity Awareness Center	10/8/2024	10/9/2024
Paetow HS	10/8/2024	10/9/2024
Raines Academy	10/9/2024	10/9/2024
Seven Lakes HS	10/16/2024	10/16/2024
Taylor HS	10/08/2024	10/08/2024
Tompkins HS	10/9/2024	10/9/2024

Taking the PSAT/NMSQT® can encourage a student to start thinking seriously about life after high school, about college and career goals, and about the education needed to reach those goals. The PSAT/NMSQT® has been designed to mirror the SAT®.

Students can prepare for this exam by reviewing the information in the [PSAT/NMSQT® Student Guide](#). There is also [additional practice](#) available online.

Katy ISD provides all students with academic opportunities needed to prepare them for college and beyond. Participation in the PSAT/NMSQT® is an important step in preparing for college.

The College Board has partnered with [Khan Academy®](#) to provide free SAT online practice. The customized test preparation will offer skill-based videos and practice SAT questions to support students who have taken the PSAT/NMSQT®. When students get their score report, they can link their College Board and [Khan Academy](#) accounts to get free personalized learning plans based on test performance.

What Should Students Bring on Test Day?

- A pen or pencil for scratch work (No. 2 pencil not required)
- Current and valid school/government issued ID
- Snacks/drinks to be consumed during breaks
- Desmos Calculator is embedded in the Bluebook app; however, a student can also choose to bring a College Board approved calculator. If a student needs a hand-held calculator, please contact the Campus Testing Coordinator.

Taking the PSAT/NMSQT® provides the following advantages to students:

- It measures the reading, math, and writing skills needed for college and career planning. After the test, students will retrieve their online score report that will highlight opportunities to strengthen academic skills. Students can use the score report to show strengths and weaknesses pertaining to college readiness.
- Prepares students for taking the SAT.
- College Board's [BigFuture®](#) app helps students plan for college, pay for college, and explore careers.
- Juniors who score well may qualify for National Merit Recognition and gives students the chance to access over \$300 million in scholarship opportunities.
- It provides valuable information to parents and students on student potential for advanced academics in high school.
- Students will have an opportunity to opt in to Connections™, which lets them hear directly from nonprofit colleges, scholarship programs, and educational organizations, without sharing any student personal information. Students can access Connections in the [BigFuture®](#) School mobile app.

Score Reports will be available electronically to students in their College Board accounts and [BigFuture®](#) app. Students completing assessments by October 11, 2024, will receive test results in the student reporting portal on October 22, 2024. Students completing assessments AFTER October 11, 2024, will receive test results in the student reporting portal on November 7, 2024.