



**Reach Your
College Goals**

PSAT/NMSQT®



About the PSAT/NMSQT®

PRELIMINARY SAT/NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFYING TEST

The PSAT/NMSQT®: Reach Your College Goals

The PSAT/NMSQT

- **is more than just a test score.**
- **provides personalized feedback on your academic strengths and the areas that need improvement.**
- **gives you the tools you need to improve your skills and get ready for the SAT®, college, and a career.**

The PSAT/NMSQT® Evaluates What You've Learned in School

The PSAT/NMSQT evaluates the academic skills that you and your teachers work on every day in the classroom

- **Critical Reading**
- **Mathematics**
- **Writing**

Learn more at
www.collegeboard.com/psat.



The PSAT/NMSQT® as a Preliminary SAT®



**2 years to
get ready for
the SAT**

PSAT/NMSQT and SAT

- Evaluate the same skills, as appropriate for grade level
- Have the same format and types of questions (except essay)
- Are administered in the same way so if you take the PSAT/NMSQT, you know what to expect on SAT test day

The PSAT/NMSQT® Helps Get You Ready for the SAT®

- ***On average, students who take the PSAT/NMSQT score 120 points higher on the SAT than those who don't.***
- **Students taking the PSAT/NMSQT twice score even higher.**
- **The PSAT/NMSQT provides tools to help you improve your skills before you take the SAT.**



**Twice the
time to
prepare**

Personalized PSAT/NMSQT® Skills Feedback

The PSAT gives you the skills feedback you need to get ready for the SAT® and college.

PSAT/NMSQT skills feedback is:

- **Personalized**

- *you know exactly the skills you need to improve*

- **Early**

- *you have plenty of time to improve*

- **Actionable**

- *you have the resources you need to improve*



What you get

**PERSONALIZED FEEDBACK
AND COLLEGE PLANNING TOOLS**

**Identifies WHAT
you need to do
to improve!**

PSAT/NMSQT® Score Reports

Receiving your results

- You will receive your paper Score Report *Plus* from your school — generally sometime in December or January.
- You will be able to access an enhanced online score report through My College QuickStart™ once you've received your paper score report.



PSAT/NMSQT® Score Report *Plus*: Looking beyond your scores

Name: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX Year: XXXX Grade: XX School Code: XXXXXX Optional Code: XX Student Copy

PSAT/NMSQT®
Score Report *Plus*

Critical Reading

Mathematics

Writing Skills

Your Scores

Section Scores: Also see your projected SAT® scores at www.collegeboard.com/quickstart.

Score Range: Scores in this range are similar to yours.

Percentile: The percentage of test takers who scored below your score.

50 10 to 50
You scored higher than 50% of juniors.

72 10 to 70
You scored higher than 87% of juniors.

34 20 to 36
You scored higher than 22% of juniors.

National Merit Scholarship Corporation
The National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) uses a Selection Index based on PSAT/NMSQT® scores as an initial screen of over 1.5 million students who enter its scholarship programs. (Go to www.nmsc.org for more information.)

156
Percentile
Compares your performance with college-bound juniors.
47

Entry Requirements
(Information you provided on your answer sheet.)
U.S. citizen?
Yes Yes
Year to complete high school and spend full time in college:
2011
Years to be spent in grades 9–12:
4

Eligibility Information
If your Selection Index places you among the 16,000 high scorers who qualify for program recognition, you will be notified next September.

Your Skills

These skill categories can help you understand your score and focus your study efforts before you take the SAT.

To learn more about your skills and review suggestions for improvement based on your test performance, visit www.collegeboard.com/quickstart and sign in using your code below.

Author Access Code
A02670146P

Determining the Meaning of Words

9 of 15 questions correct (3 omitted)

Author's Craft: Style, Tone & Technique

3 of 5 questions correct (2 omitted)

Reasoning & Inference

8 of 10 questions correct (2 omitted)

Organization & Ideas

2 of 8 questions correct (2 omitted)

Understanding Literary Elements

1 of 10 questions correct (3 omitted)

Number & Operations

12 of 15 questions correct (3 omitted)

Algebra & Functions

5 of 5 questions correct (0 omitted)

Geometry & Measurement

8 of 10 questions correct (2 omitted)

Data, Statistics & Probability

4 of 6 questions correct (1 omitted)

Get suggestions for improving your skills before you take the SAT.
www.collegeboard.com/quickstart

Grammatical Relationships between Words

3 of 12 questions correct (3 omitted)

Words & Phrases Used to Modify or Compare

1 of 5 questions correct (2 omitted)

Pronouns & Clauses

6 of 10 questions correct (2 omitted)

Correctly Formed Sentences

1 of 6 questions correct (4 omitted)

Relationships of Sentences & Paragraphs

2 of 6 questions correct (3 omitted)

Your Answers

See test questions and review explanations of the answers at www.collegeboard.com/quickstart.

You can also ask your counselor for a copy of your test book back so you can review the questions.

Key
Correct Answer: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
Incorrect Answer: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

Scoring
• Correct answer = PLUS 1 POINT
• Multiple-choice = PLUS 1 POINT
• Writing answers to multiple-choice questions = MINUS 1/4 POINT
• Writing answers to short-answer questions = NO CORRECT POINTS
• Essays are graded, then converted to scores on the 2–8 scale.

On test day, you told us that you're interested in **Sport & Fitness Administration/Management**.
To learn more about college majors, visit www.collegeboard.com/quickstart. There you can also:
• Learn about related careers
• Search for colleges
• Take a personality test

Take the next step today! Go to www.collegeboard.com/quickstart and sign in using your code below.

Online Access Code
A02670146P

Find out why you missed questions.
www.collegeboard.com/quickstart

My College QuickStart™

 **My College QuickStart is a personalized online college and career planning tool that lets you:**

- ❑ Search for colleges
- ❑ Explore majors and careers
- ❑ See correct answers and explanations
- ❑ Get a personalized SAT® study plan
- ❑ Take a personality test

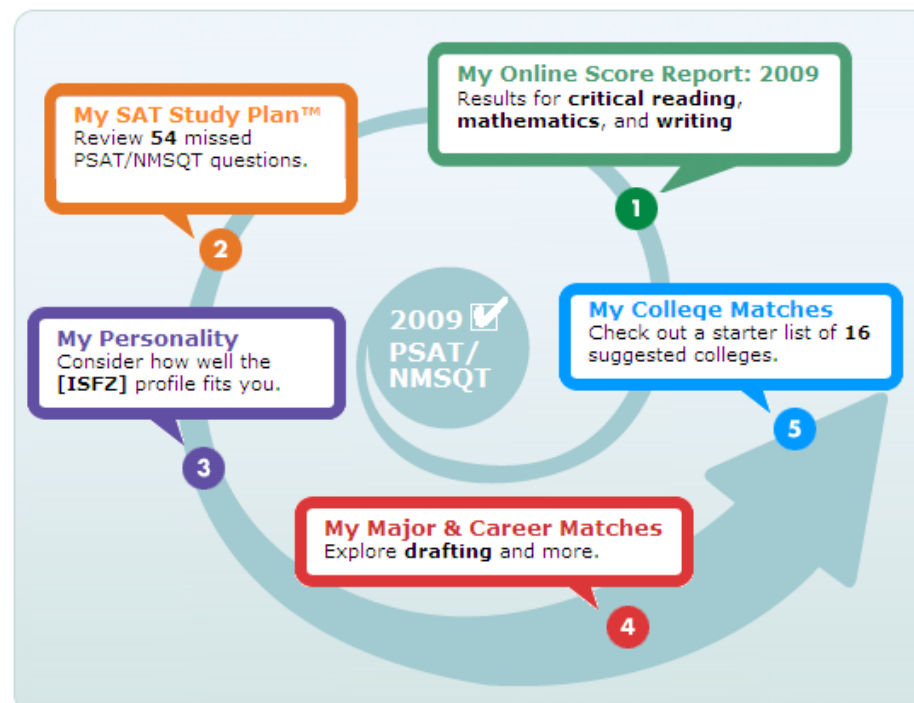
Unlimited use for all PSAT/NMSQT® takers until you graduate from high school

My College QuickStart™: Improve Your Skills

Look beyond scores

- Personalized feedback on the skills *you* need to improve
- Hundreds of practice questions and explanations
- A full-length SAT® Practice Test

**Begin planning
and working
toward college
NOW – Great
stuff!**



My College QuickStart™: Plan for College and Careers

Explore your future

- Personalized test to help you learn more about your strengths and interests
- Hundreds of majors and careers to explore
- Customizable college search



PSAT/NMSQT® Administration Dates

2010 Test Date:

**Wednesday,
October
13
2010**



PSAT/NMSQT® Administration Date

2010 Test Date:

**Wednesday,
October
13
2010**

Register during lunch
through Friday,
October 1, 2010
Table will be set up in the
cafeteria.

You'll get a receipt and
a PSAT Informational
Booklet.



PSAT/NMSQT®