



**Get Ready for the
Digital PSAT/NMSQT®**

Attention Students Taking the PSAT/NMSQT:

Please read this information carefully to learn about the Technology Requirements for the Digital PSAT/NMSQT to be given on October 11th and the Special Schedule on October 4th.

Why will we be on a special schedule on Wednesday, October 4th?

In order to prepare for the Digital PSAT on Wednesday, October 11, *students taking the PSAT/NMSQT will be required to complete the PSAT Digital Readiness Check to ensure that their device for testing is ready.*

What is the special schedule?

All students will report to their Homeroom on Wednesday, October 4 from 11:12-11:42 AM.

What if I am not taking the PSAT?

Students not taking the PSAT (majority of 9th graders and all 12th graders) will complete a lesson from the Counseling Center.

What do I need to bring to my Homeroom on October 4th?

Your FISSD-issued Chromebook (fully charged) or your personal device that you plan to use for testing with the BlueBook app already installed ready to use.

Can I use my own personal device to take the PSAT?

Yes. See specifications for personal devices below.

What type of device can I use?

Students may use Macbooks with OS 11.4 or newer or Windows 10 or 11 devices. NO personal chromebooks may be used for testing. See specifics below.

What do I need to do to prepare my own device?

- 1) Make sure your device meets the minimum specifications listed below.
- 2) Download the BlueBook app ([directions linked here](#)).
- 3) Once you have completed the the two steps above, **you MUST go to Mrs. Pearce in room 1414 no later than Tuesday, October 3rd by 3:00 PM** and show that you completed the steps above and will receive a confirmation that your device has been checked and is ready for the Digital Readiness Check on 10/4.

Personal Device Specifications

Mac Specifications

- macOS 11.4 + (Big Sur and newer)
- Minimum Hardware Specifications
 - 1 GHZ processor
 - 2 GB RAM
 - 150 MB free hard drive space for the exam
- Monitor/Screen Display
 - Minimum screen size: 10 inches
 - Minimum screen resolution: 1024 x 768
 - Second monitor not permitted
- External wired mice are allowed
- External Keyboards are not allowed
- Device must hold a charge for at least 3 hours

Windows Specifications

- Supports OS Windows 10 and 11
- Minimum Hardware specifications
 - 1 GHZ processor
 - 2 GB RAM
 - 250 MB free hard drive space for exam
- Monitor/Screen Display
 - Minimum laptop screen size: 10 inches
 - Minimum screen resolution: 1024 x 768
 - Second monitor not permitted
- Wired Mice are allowed
- External keyboards are not allowed
- Device must hold a charge for at least 3 hours

If you have any questions regarding the Digital PSAT/NMSQT please contact:

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More Information regarding the PSAT can be found in the [PSAT Newsletter](#).