

Participation Matters

For Colorado Students and Schools

Educators: Supporting Student Success Through the College Board Suite of Assessments

As Colorado's College Board School Test Day approaches, it is important to understand why student participation in the **PSAT/SAT suite of assessments** is essential—not just for individual students, but for schools, districts, and communities statewide.

Expanding Opportunities for Every Student

- The **SAT** is accepted by every college in the United States and serves as a key college admissions credential.
- All Colorado 11th-grade students have **free access** to take the SAT during the school day.
- Students can **send scores to up to four colleges for free**, expanding postsecondary opportunities.

Student participation in the PSAT/SAT suite is more than a testing requirement—it is a powerful tool to:

- Support student success
- Strengthen instructional practices
- Advance college and career readiness for all Colorado students

Educator Access: K-12 Reporting Portal

Educators can access detailed and aggregate data to **inform instruction**:

- **Aggregate Reports**
 - Mean scores, score distributions, benchmark attainment
 - Available by school, district, or demographic group
- **Knowledge & Skills Insights**
 - Performance across key domains of Reading & Writing and Math
- **Student-Level Data**
 - Individual scores and percentiles
 - Downloadable score reports
 - Testing rosters and detailed metrics

Educator scores are available in the K-12 Reporting Portal May 11, 2027

Why Participation Matters: When students participate, everyone benefits

For Students & Families

- Receive scores that can be used for college admission, placement, and meeting a [graduation requirement](#) (**470 Reading & Writing/480 Math**)
- Gain meaningful insights into **college and career readiness**
- Identify **strengths and areas for growth**
- Access **free college and career planning tools** through the [BigFuture app](#)
- Receive scores earlier (May 13, 2027 for students via Big Future app and College Board account)
 - Includes section performance (Reading & Writing, Math), Personalized insights & College and career guidance tools

For Schools & Educators

- Understand how students perform:
 - Within their school
 - Across the district
 - Compared to peers statewide
- Identify **learning gaps and instructional priorities**
- Use data to improve **teaching strategies and student outcomes**
- Use insights to support **continuous improvement** across school