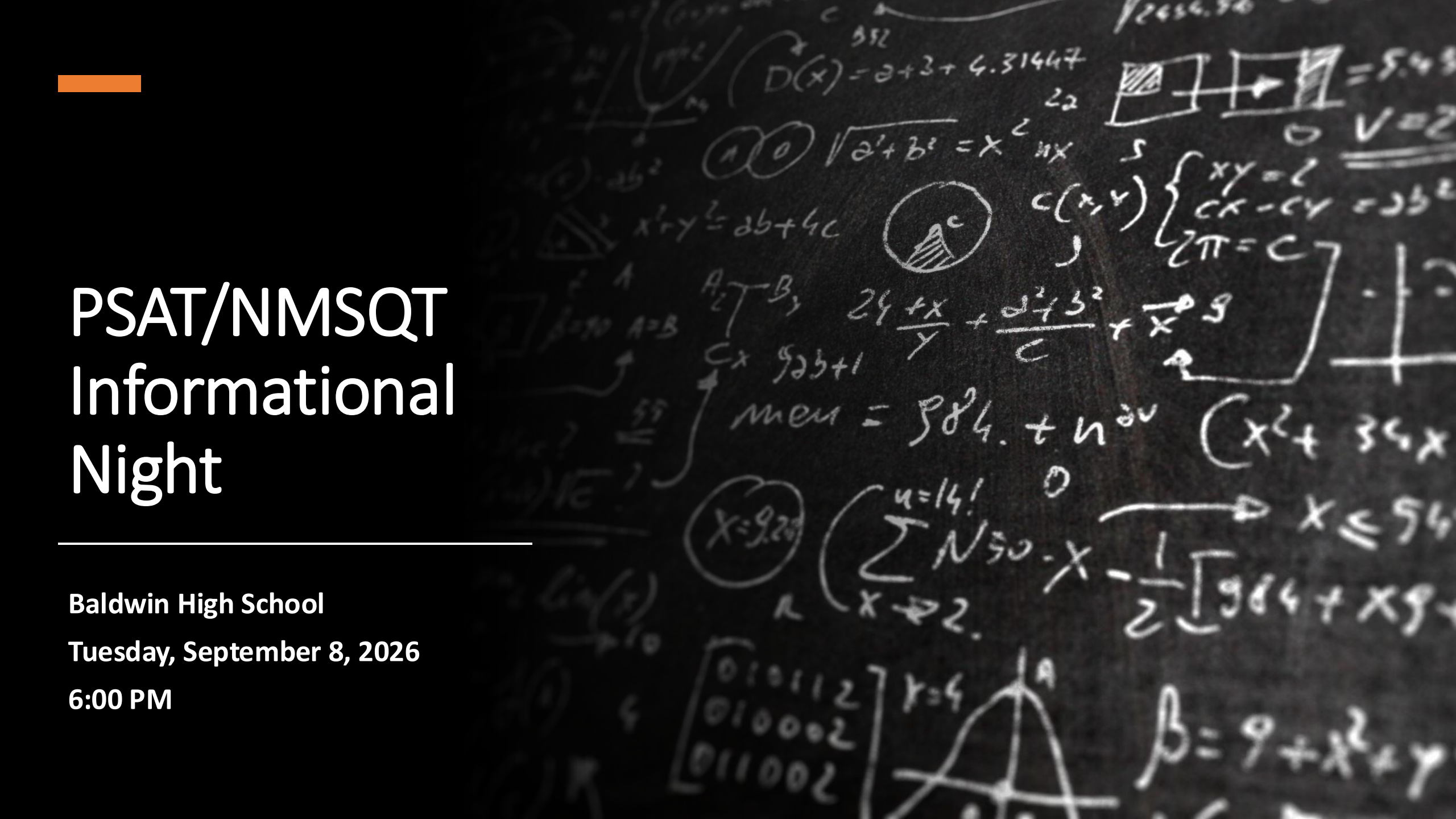
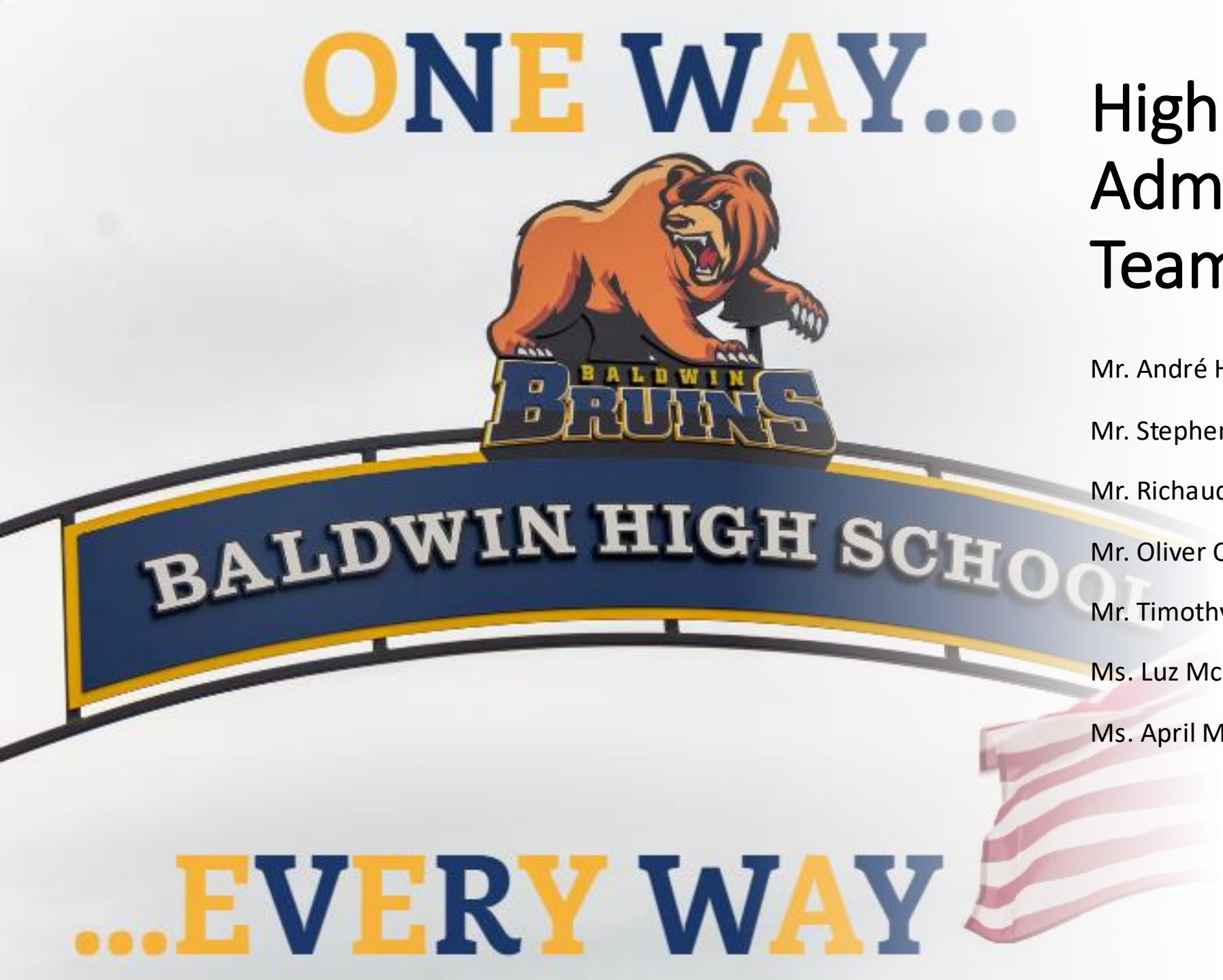
PSAT/NMSQT Informational Night

Baldwin High School

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

6:00 PM





High School Administration Team

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Mr. Stephen Saravia – Assistant Principal

Mr. Richaud Bland – Dean of Students

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Ms. Luz McCaw – Dean of Students

Ms. April Mosca – Dean of Students

What is the PSAT/NMSQT?

The PSAT/NMSQT is highly relevant to your future success because it focuses on the skills and knowledge at the heart of your education.
It measures:

- What you learn in high school
- What you need to succeed in college

The PSAT/NMSQT measures reading, writing, and math skills developed over many years.

The PSAT/NMSQT does not ask for facts from literature, history, or science, or for recall of math formulas, because it measures your reasoning and critical thinking skills.

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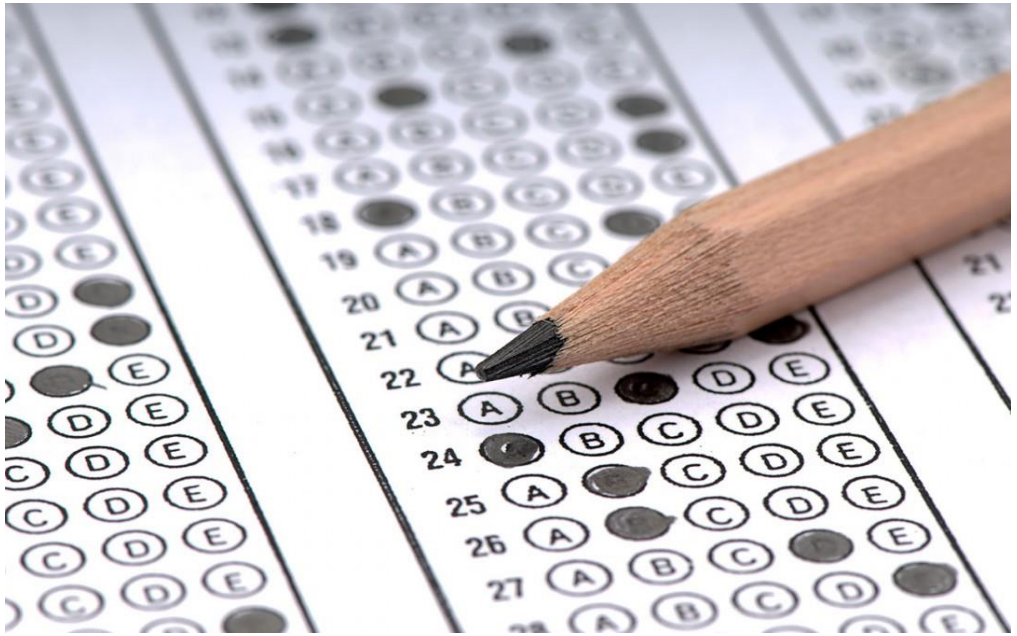
Scores for the SAT® Suite of Assessments (SAT, PSAT/NMSQT®, PSAT™ 10, and PSAT™ 8/9) are reported on a common vertical scale, allowing **educators to measure students' progress**

- Propels students toward **college** and **career readiness**
- Is cosponsored by the College Board and National Merit Scholarship Corporation
- Serves as an entry point to over $240 million in **scholarship dollars**



Who Should Take The PSAT/NMSQT?

- 10th graders who have taken Geometry are encouraged to take this test
- All 11th graders **should** take this test.
- 3.8+ million students take the PSAT/NMSQT each year to get feedback on their skills and practice for the SAT.



What to know about the PSAT/NMSQT

- Test length: **2 hours 14 minutes**
- The PSAT/NMSQT is a digital exam!
- The test is easier to take, shorter, has more time per question, and comes with a built-in calculator (**need to bring Chromebook**)
- Personalized SAT practice through Khan Academy® with students' own PSAT/NMSQT scores
- To prepare, full-length adaptive digital PSAT/NMSQT practice is available on the Bluebook™ app.
- Scale ranges for the scores are 320 – 1520 for the total score

Section	Length (minutes)	Number of Questions/Tasks
Reading and Writing	64	54
Math	70	44
Total	134	98

https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt

Benefits of the PSAT/NMSQT

Personalized SAT practice on Khan Academy based on students' PSAT/NMSQT answers

Aligned to the SAT

Increased access to additional scholarship providers

Online college and career planning tools

Admission and financial aid information from colleges

Majors and career exploration with College Board and Roadtrip Nation.

Get Your AP Potential - Access personalized recommendations about AP courses that are a good fit.



Skills Tested on the PSAT/NMSQT

1. Reading and Writing Test
2. Math Test

- Each test assesses the academic skills that students have developed over the years, primarily through their coursework.
- These skills are considered essential for success in high school, college, and career.

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Digital PSAT

4	98	2 hrs 14 min	1520*
Modules	Questions	Duration	Max Score

Reading & Writing

64 minutes & 54 questions
71 seconds per question

Module 1
32 minutes
27 questions
27 passages

1 Normal

Accuracy > ~70%

Yes → **2 Hard** 760 max score

No → **2 Easy** ~510 max score

Module 2 adaptive
32 minutes
27 questions

- Reading Comprehension & Writing Skills
- 54 Short Passages (25-150 words), 1 Question Each
- Multiple Choice

Math

70 minutes & 44 questions
95 seconds per question

Module 1
35 minutes
22 questions

1 Normal

Accuracy > ~60%

Yes → **2 Hard** 760 max score

No → **2 Easy** ~510 max score

Module 2 adaptive
35 minutes
22 questions

- Math Skills through Algebra II
- Calculator Allowed
- 3/4 Multiple Choice & 1/4 Free Response

Requires BlueBook app download on Mac, PC, iPad or Chromebook.
**SAT is the same format but 1600 max score.*

Reading and Writing Test

The Reading and Writing section includes **54 questions** evenly divided between **2 modules**. You have **32 minutes** to answer the questions in each module (**64 minutes total**)

The Reading and Writing section of the digital PSAT/NMSQT is designed to measure your success with building critical college and career readiness in literacy.

Passages in this section represent the subject areas of literature, history/social studies, the humanities, and science.

There is a single question per passage.

Select questions in this section are accompanied by an informational graphic.

In this section, you'll answer multiple-choice questions requiring you to:

Read, comprehend, and use information and ideas in texts

Analyze the craft and structure of texts

Revise texts to improve the rhetorical expression of ideas

Edit texts to follow core conventions of Standard English

Reading and Writing Test

The questions in the Reading and Writing section fall into four broad categories:

Craft and Structure - measure the comprehension, vocabulary, analysis, synthesis, and reasoning skills and knowledge

Information and Ideas - measure comprehension, analysis, and reasoning skills and knowledge and the ability to locate, interpret, evaluate, and integrate information

Standard English Conventions - measure the ability to edit text to conform to core conventions of Standard English sentence structure, usage, and punctuation

Expression of Ideas - measure the ability to revise texts to improve the effectiveness of written expression and to meet specific rhetorical goals

Math Test

The Math section includes **44 questions** evenly divided between **2 modules**. You have **35 minutes** to answer the questions in each module (**70 minutes total**).

The Math section of the digital PSAT/NMSQT is designed to measure your success with building critical college and career readiness knowledge and skills in math.

In this section, you'll answer multiple-choice questions and student-produced response questions that measure your fluency with, understanding of, and ability to apply the math concepts, skills, and practices that are most essential.

Approximately 30% of Math questions are set in context. These in-context "word" questions require you to consider a science, social studies, or real-world scenario and apply your math skills and knowledge, along with an understanding of the context, to determine the answer to each.

Select questions in this section are accompanied by an informational graphic.

Math Test

Questions in the Math section fall into four content domains:

Algebra - measure the ability to analyze, fluently solve, and create linear equations and inequalities as well as analyze and fluently solve equations and systems of equations using multiple techniques

Advanced Math - measure skills and knowledge central for progression to more advanced math courses, including demonstrating an understanding of absolute value, quadratic, exponential, polynomial, rational, radical, and other nonlinear equations

Problem-Solving and Data Analysis - measure the ability to apply quantitative reasoning about ratios, rates, and proportional relationships; understand and apply unit rate; and analyze and interpret 1- and 2-variable data

Geometry and Trigonometry - measure the ability to solve problems that focus on area and volume; angles, triangles, and trigonometry; and circles

Know How the PSAT/NMSQT is Scored

Total Score

Your total score is a number between 320 and 1520.

The total score is the sum of the two section scores: Reading and Writing and Math:

- Each of these 2 section scores is in the range of 160–760.
- Both sections contribute equally to the total score.

How the Section Scores Are Calculated

All test questions are first scored as correct or incorrect. The difficulty level and other qualities of each question (such as how well it differentiates skill level or how easy it is to guess on a question), as well as whether you got the question right or wrong, are considered when calculating your raw score. Every test conforms to a standardized specification of question types and qualities, so all students have an equitable opportunity to demonstrate their strengths.

Your Total Score

960 | 320 to 1520

You are in the **51st** percentile

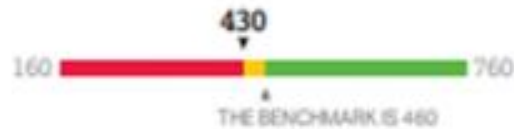


You scored equal to or higher than 51% of students

Your Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Score

430 | 160 to 760

You are in the **31st** percentile

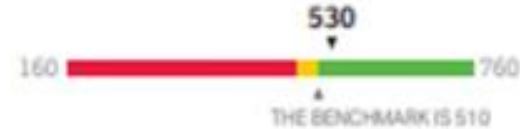


Your score shows that you're almost on track to be ready for college, but you need to keep building your skills.

Your Math Score

530 | 160 to 760

You are in the **69th** percentile



Your score shows that you're on track to be ready for college.

PSAT/NMSQT®

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

Take the 2026 PSAT/NMSQT

How to Sign-Up: www.myschoolbucks.com

Test Day/Date: Saturday, October 17, 2026

Time: 8:00 AM

Location: Baldwin High School

Cost: $23

Registration Deadline: October 2, 2026



Remember to Bring:

- Charged Chromebook or Laptop
- Charger Cord for Chromebook/Laptop
- School ID
- Pencil (optional)
- Calculator (optional)

Additional Information

Questions?

- Contact your child's School Counselor

  High School Counseling Center – 516-434-6134

  Baldwin High School Counseling Center Webpage



Resources

- For general information about the PSAT/NMSQT, please visit: https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt
- To find out more about National Merit Scholarship Corporation and its scholarships, visit: nationalmerit.org
- To find out more about PSAT-related scholarships, visit: psat.org/scholarships
- PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide – Fall 2026
- Digital PSAT Practice Test – https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt/preparing
- Parent's Guide to the Digital PSAT/NMSQT
- Parent's Guide to the Digital PSAT/NMSQT (Spanish)