



PSAT 10 FACT SHEET 2019-20



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WHO TAKES THE PSAT 10?

The PSAT 10, a component of the SAT Suite of Assessments, is an assessment designed to measure knowledge and skills that can consistently predict a student's success in college and workforce training programs and helps educators in identifying skills gaps and improving instruction. All 10th grade students in New Mexico public schools will participate in the PSAT 10 during the school day in Spring 2020.



WHAT DOES THE TEST MEASURE?

All skills and knowledge measured on the PSAT 10 are found in the New Mexico adopted Common Core State Standards (CCSS). The SAT measures a subset of the CCSS. Unlike the SAT, there is not an essay component.

HOW IS THE TEST ADMINISTERED?

The PSAT 10 is administered online through a secure browser during the school day in three (3) sections: Reading, Writing and Language, and Mathematics. PSAT 10 is a timed test.



Test	Time	Questions
Reading	60 minutes	47
Writing and Language	35 minutes	44
Math	70 minutes	48



HOW ARE PERFORMANCE LEVELS DETERMINED?

Test scores range from 320—1520 for the total test, and range from 160—760 for each of the two section scores: 1) Evidenced-based Reading and Writing, and 2) Mathematics. These are broken down further into subscores on score reports.

WHEN IS THE TEST GIVEN?



Test Administration	Date	Mode
Primary Testing Window	April 17—24, 2020	Digital
Accommodated Testing Window	April 17—24, 2020	Digital
Makeup Test Date	April 28, 2020	Digital

*Due to the late announcement of this window established by the College Board, the PED and College Board will work with districts that may need a different administration window. Paper testing will be arranged for sites unable to test digitally.

For additional information, visit the Assessment Bureau webpage at:
<https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/assessment-3/>