# Start Students on a Path to Success with the **PSAT 8/9**



## Get a College Readiness Baseline

The PSAT™ 8/9 is the first of four tests in the SAT® Suite of Assessments (SAT, PSAT/NMSQT®, PSAT™ 10, and PSAT 8/9). It's designed for eighth- and ninth-grade students and focuses on what evidence shows matters most for college and career success. When used together, the SAT Suite of Assessments allows you to monitor growth over time.

Administering the PSAT 8/9 to eighth and ninth graders gives schools and students unparalleled benefits.

### **Actionable Data**

An online score reporting portal gives you helpful information about your students' college and career readiness. Having this data earlier in a student's school career lets you intervene in time to get more of your students on track for college success. Students 13 and older will also be able to get their detailed score reports online.

# Road Map to College and Career

After taking the PSAT 8/9, students can use Career Finder from Roadtrip Nation and the College Board to explore majors and careers that align with their personal interests and connect them to compatible schools on BigFuture™, College Board's free college planning website. Students also get ideas for small, actionable steps they can take to make informed academic and career decisions based on what truly drives them. Visit collegeboard.roadtripnation.com for more information.

Students who take the PSAT 8/9 and familiarize themselves with Khan Academy® will also be poised to take advantage of Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy—FREE for all students and the best way to prepare for the SAT. Official SAT Practice includes:

- Thousands of practice questions with instant feedback
- Full-length practice tests
- Video lessons that explain questions step by step
- Studying and test-taking strategies

Students can access free, personalized SAT practice anytime, anywhere at satpractice.org.

Research shows that students who spend 20 hours on Official SAT Practice gain an average of 115 points from the PSAT/NMSQT to the SAT.

### Access to AP

Students who succeed in AP® courses are more likely to succeed in college, and they can save money through placement and credit-granting policies. The AP Potential™ tool uses PSAT 8/9 scores to help you identify ninth-grade students likely to succeed in two AP courses: AP World History and AP European History. Student score reports also recommend AP courses that might be good matches.

AP Potential also helps schools:

- Develop robust AP programs
- Recruit new AP students
- Support equity and access goals

# **Complete the Suite**

The SAT Suite of Assessments reflects what students are already learning in their classrooms and gives you benchmarks for assessing students' progress as they enter and move through high school. The tests share a common score scale, making it easier to measure growth.



Learn more at **psat.org/8-9**.