

P-SAT Score Report Interpretation

It is essential that your student have both the score report sheet and their test booklet.

The test has 3 components or sub-tests, each of which is clearly defined on the score report, along with a 2-digit sub-test score. Below each of these scores is a graph which compares your student's performance to that of other students in the nation who took the test. In order to convert this score to one that would simulate the SAT, you should add the 2-digit Critical Reading score to the 2-digit Mathematics score and put a "0" on the end. The Writing score is most often used by colleges for admission into more selective programs or by scholarship agencies as a selection criterion. You will also notice a Selection Index number in the area that is shaded blue just below the subtest scores. This is the number that is used for determination of National Merit Scholars, an option only available to **Juniors**. The announcement of merit scholarship recipients based on this rating will be made by the College Board in the Fall of 2012.

As you continue down each column, there is a detailed list of each item on the test, combined with indicators for a correct response, incorrect response, what the correct answer should have been as well as the level of difficulty.

Your student's score on the P-SAT is now one of the indicators used by the state and federal government to determine "College Readiness". The table below provides this information.

	Critical Reading	Math	Writing	Selection Index
11 th grade	50	50	50	150
10 th grade	49	47	48	144

In order to **apply** to a four-year public university, students now **must meet** the College Readiness Standard as demonstrated by a score of **1500 on the SAT (Critical Reading + Math + Writing) or the ACT with the following subtest scores: English 18; Reading 21; Math 22; Science 24.**

Pay particular attention to the the 2 computer icons on this page which direct the student to www.collegeboard.com/quickstart. This allows the student to view questions and answer explanations, provide a personalized study plan, see a projected SAT score, match them with colleges, and allows them to take a personality test to find compatible majors and careers. A code is provided which is specific to your student and will enable access to each of these areas. This will be available in mid-December and will continue to be accessible throughout the high school years.

It is extremely important that your student make this score report sheet and the test booklet a part of their permanent file if they wish to take advantage of the opportunity provided to them to improve their performance on future attempts on the SAT.

I welcome parent calls to further discuss this information or anything else which concerns your student.