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 ways to get ready now to administer the digital PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 8/9 this fall

We're transitioning to a digital SAT<sup>®</sup> Suite of Assessments, which will be easier to take and easier to give, starting with the PSAT/NMSQT<sup>®</sup> and PSAT<sup>™</sup> 8/9 this fall. With the transition to digital, there will be changes to the way schools and districts administer the exams during the school day. Below are critical actions you can take now to start preparing for the digital administrations this fall.

*We encourage you to share this information with your assessment staff, technology coordinator, and other relevant stakeholders in your district.*

## 1. Check Your Device Inventory

- Compare your devices to the technical specifications at [bluebook.collegeboard.org/technology](https://bluebook.collegeboard.org/technology).**

Approved devices include:

- 1:1 or shared school-managed devices or personal devices.
- Personal or school-managed Mac and Windows laptops and desktops, iPad, and Windows tablets.
- School-managed Chromebooks.

- Decide if you'll allow students to bring their own personal devices for testing.**

## 2. Check Network Readiness

Students need to be connected to the internet to start testing and to submit their answers at the end. (Remember: If the internet disconnects during testing, students will still be able to progress through the test without disruption.)

- Test your network speed.**

Use the network speed test and guidance on [bluebook.collegeboard.org/technology](https://bluebook.collegeboard.org/technology).

- Choose testing rooms with good Wi-Fi.**

- Make sure students and staff can access the network.**

If students will be testing on personal devices, have a plan in place to ensure those students can connect to Wi-Fi. (For example, you may need to set up guest access on your network.)



### 3. Install the Bluebook App

- Visit [bluebook.collegeboard.org/technology](https://bluebook.collegeboard.org/technology) for instructions to install the latest version.
- Uninstall previous versions of the app (including College Board digital testing apps for AP 2021 or digital SAT pilots/research studies).
- Test the installation by opening the app on a student device.
- Check for app updates throughout the year.

**IMPORTANT:** If you're planning to use Chromebooks, make sure that you have configured your Chromebooks to "Do Not Erase Local Data." Instructions for how to do this are provided on [bluebook.collegeboard.org/technology](https://bluebook.collegeboard.org/technology). Without this setting, student responses may be deleted.

The testing window for the fall 2023 digital PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 8/9 will be October 2–October 31. Districts and schools will be able to administer the PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 8/9 on as many days of the testing window as needed.

Visit [sat.org/in-school-testing](https://sat.org/in-school-testing) for more information.

### 4. Connect Technology Staff with Available Resources

- [bluebook.collegeboard.org/technology](https://bluebook.collegeboard.org/technology) includes device and network specifications, Bluebook installation files and instructions, technical readiness guidance, and troubleshooting tips.

### 5. Encourage Students to Download the App and Practice

- [bluebook.app.collegeboard.org](https://bluebook.app.collegeboard.org) is where students can download Bluebook. PSAT/NMSQT practice tests will be available in Bluebook starting in late spring 2023.