

FOR PSAT/NMSQT IN-SCHOOL ASSESSMENT

After the Test: College and Career Planning



When it comes to college and career information, students want quality content that's easy to access and use. College Board is introducing platforms that put the power to plan in students' hands—and that work with the platforms you already know.

Multiple Entry Points, More Ways to Succeed

Sparking students' interest in college and career planning

BigFuture School: It starts the moment students get their test scores. Currently available to students taking PSAT/NMSQT® in-school assessments, the <u>BigFuture School mobile app</u> makes viewing their scores fast and convenient. And once they're on the app, the learning continues.



- Students receive customized messages on college and career preparation and planning.
- Where available, students can choose Connections[™] to hear directly from nonprofit colleges, scholarship programs, and educational organizations interested in students like them.

BigFuture: It offers discovery and exploration. **BigFuture**® is where any student can go deeper in planning for life after high school.



- Students explore careers, plan for college, and pay for college—it has the free information students and families need, all in one place.
- Students can access tools that are easy to navigate, as well as personalized pathways that make planning relevant.

To learn more, visit: collegeboard.org

Creating conversations between students and colleges and scholarships

Students initiate the conversation. Students who take in-school assessments and download the app can



hear from colleges on the go—all while putting their privacy first. Connections is a feature in the app that allows students to hear from nonprofit colleges and scholarship organizations that might be a good match.* No personal information is shared, and the student chooses if and when to connect with a college directly.

Connections allows colleges and universities to reach students *early* in high school.

Students connect to more opportunities. As always, all students may opt in to Student Search



Service™ through their personal College Board account, which gives them more ways to explore possibilities. Student Search Service supports outreach to students engaging *more deeply* in the college-going process.

The two programs complement each other to reach students over their entire college exploration journey.

*A school, district, or state may choose to not provide access to Connections for students.

Viewing Scores Just Got Easier

With the introduction of BigFuture® School, students who take the PSAT/NMSQT can access scores by:** Starting with BigFuture School, students can:

- Provide a mobile number during their in-school assessment for access to the app.
- Receive texts to download the app, an authentication code to access the app, and when they can view their scores.
- Review their scores and score information once the app is downloaded and the score has been released.

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Reviewing Score Information in BigFuture School

- Total Score: Combination of scores on Reading and Writing, and Math sections.
- Percentile Comparisons: Helps identify the percentage of students that scored the same as or lower (e.g. 75th percentile means that the score was the same as or higher than 75% of other students).

Go Deeper on BigFuture.org

Besides viewing their scores, students may want to work on their college and career planning.

- Plan for College: Students can build a college list from 3,000 profiles based on factors like location, majors, tuition, admissions requirements, and campus life. It's a great way to be seen by colleges.
- Pay for College: Students can search 23,000+ scholarships and have a chance to match with over \$4 billion in funds based on their background, interests, future plans, and past achievements.
- Explore Careers: Students can explore 1,000 career options, including information on education requirements, expected yearly income, and anticipated job growth.



^{**}Students with personal College Board accounts can access their scores through their personal accounts.