How Digital Is Different from Paper Testing

- Testing staff will administer the SAT exclusively with Test Day Toolkit, a web-based application. It can be used on any personal or school-provided device that connects to the internet.
- Students use Bluebook™, the College Board testing app, to take the test on a device they bring to your test center.
- College Board will provide test centers with loaned devices for approved students who request them.
- Unless they’re using a loaned device, students are told to download Bluebook, complete exam setup, and fully charge their device before test day.
- If registered students who attend your school plan to use a school-managed device, your school technology staff may need to install Bluebook for them.
- Bluebook provides students with a set of tools they can use during testing, including a graphing calculator, option eliminator, an annotate/highlight tool, and more. It also includes features like zoom and color contrast that replace paper accommodations like large font and color overlay.
- Bluebook times each student individually, so they’ll start the test, take breaks, and complete testing at slightly different times.
- We’ve combined some group types to allow students with different timing to test in the same room. There are 3 group types: standard time, time and one-half, and double time.
- Because the test is shorter, students approved for double time will be able to test in 1 day in a test center.
- The SAT® is now shorter, about 2 hours instead of 3. There are 2 sections—Reading and Writing, and Math—with a break in between. Each section has 2 modules that are timed separately. Students can’t move to the next test module or submit their answers until their time is up.
- A new technology monitor role has been added. If technical issues arise, testing staff will direct students to the technology monitor in a designated help room.
- Each testing room must have Wi-Fi strong enough to support the expected number of test takers. Students and staff who use personal devices must be provided with Wi-Fi access.
- Students who lose network connectivity momentarily during testing can continue without losing time.
- Test centers can provide students access to electricity if it can be done fairly and without disruption. Students approved for an extended time accommodation and testing
for more than 3 hours must be provided access to an electrical outlet if needed, though it does not need to be continuous.

- The SAT is now more secure. Students are prohibited from using other applications and certain tools on their device during testing, and each student receives unique test content.

- Some features in Test Day Toolkit used for paper are not yet available for digital, such as the seating chart, and we'll have different instructions. Additionally, the toolkit will be available to coordinators about 3 weeks prior to test day instead of 8.