The Good, Bad and Ugly of the Digital SAT 2023
It’s a pleasure to meet you!

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What is the SAT?

- Offered 7 times per year
- Digital as of March 2024 for all test takers
- Reading/Writing & Math
- Admissions & Scholarship Considerations
# Digital SAT: Key Differences

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<th>Paper SAT</th>
<th>Digital SAT</th>
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<td><strong>Delivery</strong></td>
<td>Taken on paper book at test center</td>
<td>Taken on a laptop/tablet (student’s or school’s) at test center</td>
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<td><strong>Sections</strong></td>
<td>One English, One Writing, Two Math (No-Calculator and Calculator)</td>
<td>Two Reading/Writing (mixed), Two Math (calculator for both)</td>
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<td><strong>Timing</strong></td>
<td>Three hours of exam with two breaks</td>
<td>Two hours of exam with one break</td>
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<td><strong>Adaptivity</strong></td>
<td>None</td>
<td>The second Reading/Writing and second math section will adapt based on performance in the first section.</td>
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Digital SAT: Breakdown

- **Maximum Score**: 1600 (800 Reading/Writing & 800 Math)
  - PSAT: 1520 (760 Reading/Writing & 760 Math)
- **Reading Writing**: 2 Sections 27 Questions 32 Minutes
  - Short Passages
- **Math**: 2 Sections 22 Questions 35 Minutes
  - PSAT Same # Questions & Time
- **Section Adaptive**
Digital SAT: Reading/Writing

- Reading/Writing
  - Craft & Structure (28%)
  - Information & Ideas (26%)
  - Standard English Conventions (26%)
  - Expression of Ideas (20%)
Digital SAT: Math

- Math
  - Algebra (35%)
  - Advanced Math (35%)
  - Problem Solving & Data Analysis (15%)
  - Geometry & Trigonometry (15%)
Digital SAT Details

- Students will use an approved device:
  - Laptop, School Chromebook, or Tablet ... no phones
- Test will be through an App
  - Bluebook, downloaded from College Board.
- Testing Center, Proctored, Time Built In
- The app is designed to handle connectivity issues
  - The College Board hasn’t released details, but student work will be saved and their time won’t be lost.
The GOOD

Shorter Test

RC: One paragraph Reading Passage + 1 Question

WR: Sentence completions

Math: Integrated Calculator (Desmos)

Individual Timing

Faster Exam Results
The BAD

Device Issues

Technology Concerns

Accomodations = Paper Based Exam
The UGLY

Equitable concerns
Policy
Test Optional
ACT
Timelines

Current Sophomores

Option 1: Take DIGITAL PSAT in 2023 + Paper-based SAT in Fall 2023

Option 2: Take DIGITAL PSAT in 2023 + DIGITAL SAT in March 2024

Option 3: Take DIGITAL PSAT in 2023 + Paper-based ACT in 2023-24

Current Freshmen

Option 1: All digital PSAT and SAT

Option 2: Paper-based ACT
Thank you!

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