

SPRING - DIGITAL SAT

What to Expect on Test Day

Before test day, make sure you're familiar with these procedures and rules.

Doors Open at 7:30 a.m.

Arrive on time on test day. You can't be admitted once testing has started.

Make sure you show up with everything you need.

Testing Starts Around 7:45 a.m.

Your proctor will begin check-in. Your seat is assigned, not chosen by you, so please wait to be seated.

Here's what will happen next:

- You'll open your chromebook and find the Bluebook™ app, which will guide you through instructions.
- The proctor can answer questions only about procedure, not about test questions or content.
- The proctor will give you a start code. **Once you enter the start code, testing will begin, and Bluebook will keep track of the time you have remaining in each test section.**
- Each student is timed individually so you'll take breaks and complete testing at slightly different times.
- Each section of the test (Reading and Writing, and Math) has 2 parts called modules, and each module is timed separately.
- You can move back and forth between questions in a module and review your answers until time expires.
- Once you've moved on from a module, you cannot go back to it.
- When the test is over, your answers are submitted automatically.
- If your submission fails for any reason, don't worry! Your answers will be saved to your device, and you'll have time to resubmit.

The Digital Testing Application

The digital testing application, Bluebook™, is a custom-built app for the digital SAT that students use to take the digital SAT. Using a custom app makes it easier for us to adapt to changes and respond quickly to user feedback. This app has many features that you'll find useful, including a test preview to help familiarize yourself with key aspects of the app before the test. [Visit the Bluebook website](#) to download the app and for installation instructions.

During the test, you'll have access to a set of tools:

- **On math questions**, you'll find a reference sheet and a calculator. You can also bring your own calculator.
- **On reading and writing questions**, use the annotation tool to highlight text or leave yourself a note.
- **On multiple-choice questions**, if you think an answer option is wrong, you can cross it out.
- You can **mark for review any questions** you want to come back to later.
- Zoom in and out using keyboard shortcuts on laptops or by pinching on tablets.

If you have a problem during the test, raise your hand to ask the proctor for help or click the Help icon for troubleshooting tips.

Breaks

Students will have one 10-minute break during the test between test sections. You can take an unscheduled break if you need to, but you'll lose testing time.

- Leave your device open; don't close your device.
- If you brought a calculator, it must remain on your desk during breaks.

Dismissal

You'll likely be done before noon. When the test is over, your answers will be submitted automatically. If your submission fails for any reason, you'll have time after the test to complete your submission—all your work will be saved to your device.

After the test, your proctor will collect your scratch paper, return any items of yours, and dismiss you.

Testing Devices

You can take the digital SAT on a school-managed Chromebook. Bluebook must be downloaded onto your device before test day. Then, 1–5 days before your test, you'll complete a quick exam setup. The application will confirm that your device meets all requirements, then it will download your test and generate your admission ticket.

Your device must also be able to connect to Wi-Fi and be fully charged—it will need to stay on for roughly 3 hours. We recommend you bring a power cord or portable charger, but we can't guarantee you'll have access to an outlet. You can bring an external mouse for your device and an external keyboard if your device is a tablet. All other applications and programs must be closed during test day. You can only test on one device, but if your device fails during testing and you can't continue, you can switch to a second device. Your proctor or tech coordinator will help if you need to switch devices.

Prohibited Devices

We mention mobile phones and electronics often, and for good reason. Your scores will be canceled if you don't follow the rules around devices.

Keep in mind:

- Test administration staff will collect and hold mobile phones and other prohibited electronic devices or require you to place them in a backpack away from your desk during the test administration, including during break periods.
- If your prohibited device makes noise, if you're seen using it, or if you attempt to access it at any time, including breaks, you'll be dismissed immediately, your scores can be canceled, and the device may be confiscated.
- College Board isn't responsible for loss of or damage to personal items, including electronic devices, while you're in the test center.

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