March Counselor Connection

SAT SUITE OF ASSESSMENTS

Digital SAT Suite of Assessments

Last month, we announced the SAT® Suite of Assessments is going digital. The digital SAT will be delivered internationally in spring 2023 and in the U.S. in spring 2024. The PSAT/NMSQT® and PSAT™ 8/9 will be delivered digitally in fall 2023, with the PSAT™ 10 following in spring 2024.

While the transition to digital will bring a number of student- and educator-friendly changes, many important features of the SAT Suite will stay the same. The SAT Suite will continue to measure the knowledge and skills that students are learning in high school and that matter most for college and career readiness.

Learn more about the digital SAT Suite of Assessments.
In case you missed it, you can still watch our Test Center Coordinator Digital SAT Webinar for more information about administering the digital SAT.

We'd like to hear your feedback on the recent announcement of the digital SAT Suite. Please take our brief survey to help us best support your work.

SAT Weekend

Registration is still open for our March 12 SAT administration. Here are additional dates and information to share with students. As a reminder, fee waivers for the weekend administrations of the SAT are available through the

[K–12 score reporting portal](). Find [more details and resources]() about fee waivers.

In-School Assessments

Get ready for April testing by ordering your test materials soon. The deadline to submit accommodation requests for students with disabilities is March 7. The deadline to reduce test books and order standard materials is March 25. [Learn more.]()

ADVANCED PLACEMENT®

For This Year:

Ensure your students and teachers are utilizing all the [learning resources]() in AP® Classroom to prepare for the upcoming AP Exams.

For Course Planning for Next Year:

Help your students make career connections. For too long, "college-ready" and "career-ready" coursework and experiences have been separated in our schools. AP and career and technical education courses can and should work in tandem to support career readiness by encouraging the development of the academic and technical skills that are, together, increasingly important to students' overall employability.

Here are some related resources:

- Use [this resource]() (.pdf/575 KB) to map career clusters to AP courses.

- Share [this blog]() and [this tool]() with your students to help them choose courses that explore career paths or support their career goals.

- Explore all [38 AP course offerings]() as you plan your school schedules for next school year.

Check out all these [course bundles, sequences, and pathways]() for ideas as you plan for next school year.

BIGFUTURE

Have you visited the new [BigFuture®]() site yet? Did you know:

- BigFuture allows students to kick off their college search with the most widely used search filters?

- BigFuture now has student videos about their college experiences? [Click here]() to watch one.

Class of 2023: BigFuture Scholarship Drawings for March

For the class of 2023, BigFuture will award two $40,000 scholarships each month and hundreds of $500 scholarships. Access the [BigFuture Toolkit for Counselors](#) for ready-to-use resources.

Students enter the March drawing by completing these steps:

- [Build Your College List](#)—Students build a college list of six or more colleges on [BigFuture](#).

- [Practice for the SAT](#)—Students complete a Diagnostic Quiz or Timed Mini-Section on [Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy®](#).

Encourage Your Students to Opt In to Student Search Service

What are the benefits?

- When students opt in to Student Search Service® **AND** build a college list on [BigFuture](#), the schools they expressed interest in are able to identify them and contact them.

- Students who are contacted by colleges through [Student Search Service](#) receive, on average, [29% more offers of college admission.](#)

Students can opt in on:

- [BigFuture](#) and on [studentsearch.collegeboard.org](#)

- SAT online registration

- A PSAT-related assessment

- SAT School Day

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR COUNSELORS

Upcoming Webinars

Wellnesss While Testing: Help Your Students Beat Test Day Anxiety
Tuesday, March 22, 2022 1:00 p.m. ET

Enhancing the Principal-School Counselor Relationship: Cultivating Trust
Tuesday, April 19, 2022 1:00 ET

[Register](#)

We've had some very informative webinars this school year. In case you

missed them, you can [register](#) to watch the following webinars on-demand:

- 10 Things Counselors Need to Know About the Digital SAT

- Enhancing the Principal-School Counselor Relationship: Leadership

- Counselor's Guide to AP Computer Science Principles

- Student Search Service: Connecting Students and Colleges

- College Board Opportunity Scholarship (BigFuture Scholarships) Updates for Counselors

Real Talk

Real Talk: HBCU Edition, Wednesday, March 2, and Thursday, March 3, at 7 p.m. ET/4 p.m. PT

We're kicking off our spring season with this special two-night event, featuring 15 HBCUs from all over the country. Each night, admissions reps will highlight what differentiates their school from other HBCUs and what unique experiences students can expect if they decide to attend. As an added bonus, Night 2 will also include a Q&A with current HBCU students!

Register Now

Scholarship Partners

TheDream.US
Applications are now open to all undocumented students with DACA or TPS, or who came to the U.S. before November 1, 2016, and otherwise meet the DACA eligibility criteria.

The National Scholarship is for first-time college students or community college graduates to attend a partner college in their state, and it's worth up to $33,000.
Deadline to apply: February 28, 2022
[Learn more.](#)

Horatio Alger Association
The Horatio Alger Association offers scholarships to assist high school students who've faced and overcome great obstacles in their young lives. The scholarship is open to current high school juniors who demonstrate critical financial need.
Deadline to apply: March 15, 2022
[Learn more.](#)