

What is the PSAT?

The PSAT/NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) is a standardized test that focuses on knowledge and skills for college and career readiness.

Who takes it?

PPS offers a PSAT/NMSQT opportunity for 11th graders only who are interested in qualifying for the National Merit Scholarship. This opportunity is available at no expense to families.

What does it measure?

The PSAT measures student academic achievement and their preparedness for the SAT and college and career. The test measures reading, writing and language, and math.

When is it administered?

In the Fall of 11th Grade: Mid-October.

How is it administered?

The test is taken online and takes approximately 3 hours to complete.

How are the results used?

PSAT results:

- Provides students and educators with the chance to check in on progress toward college and career readiness and success.
- Serve as an excellent way for students to preview and practice for the SAT.
- May qualify 11th grade students for competition in the [National Merit Scholarship Program](#).
- Students can access their scores in the College Board portal after creating an account.

Who requires it?

Corbett School District is committed to ensuring that every student has the opportunity to prepare for college entrance exams. To that end, the district requires every junior, with the exception of students with IEP's, to participate in the exam during the school day. There are no make-up days if a student is absent on the day of the PSAT..

What if I want to know more about this assessment?

- [Visit the official PSAT/NMSQT website for more information about the test.](#)

I'm a parent/guardian. Who do I contact with questions about this assessment?

Contact your child's counselor or case manager if you have questions about your 11th grade student taking the PSAT.