



# Digital Implementation Overview for Administrators

## Spring 2024 Digital SAT Suite of Assessments

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# SAT Suite Support



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# Today's Agenda



## Objective

To provide an overview of the ISBE-provided and Invest in Kids Act (IIKA) Spring 2024 Digital SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 (for grade 9) assessments and support school and district leaders to best prepare schools.

## Agenda

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# Digital Testing Window, Timing, and Scheduling

# Spring 2024 Digital Testing Window for SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9

## March 18-April 26, 2024

March 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
April 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

- Schools may test students on any weekday(s) during the six-week testing window.
- Any student who is absent on the primary test date selected by the school will be afforded at least one opportunity to test on a subsequent day(s) during the testing window, as feasible with scheduling and staffing.
- Schools can test in the morning and/or in the afternoon and run multiple testing sessions in one day.
- Paper testing will be available only on a very limited basis (e.g., students with specific accommodations needs).

# SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9

## Overall Testing Time (with breaks)

Timing	PSAT 10 and PSAT 8/9	SAT with Essay
Standard time	2 hours 24 minutes	3 hours 19 minutes
Reading: Time and one-half	3 hours 41 minutes	5 hours 16 minutes
Reading: Double time	4 hours 58 minutes	6 hours 43 minutes (2 days)

*Additional timing options are possible for some unique accommodations.*

### Detailed Schedule

Reading and Writing (SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9)	Math (SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9)	Essay (SAT only)
54 questions (1 section, 2 modules)	44 questions (1 section, 2 modules)	1 prompt (based on a passage of 650-700 words)
64 minutes (32 minutes per module)	70 minutes (35 minutes per module)	50 minutes

*For standard time testing, there is a 10-minute computer-timed break after the Reading and Writing section and, for those taking SAT with Essay, a 5-minute computer-timed break after the Math section. There are additional break times for time and one-half and double time.*

# Sample Testing Schedules (standard time)

## Sample #1

Timeline	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week of April 8		SAT with Essay (all grade 11)	PSAT 10 (all grade 10)	PSAT 8/9 (all grade 9)	
Week of April 22		All Assessments Reschedules and Retests	All Assessments Reschedules and Retests	All Assessments Reschedules and Retests	

## Sample #2

Timeline	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week of April 15		Morning: SAT with Essay (all grade 11)	Morning: PSAT 10 (½ grade 10)	Morning: PSAT 8/9 (all grade 9) Afternoon: PSAT 10 (½ grade 10)	
Week of April 22		All SAT with Essay Reschedules and Retests	All PSAT 10 Reschedules and Retests	All PSAT 8/9 Reschedules and Retests	



# Spring 2024 Score Release Timing for SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9

Score Release	Test Submission Dates	College Board's K-12 Score Reporting Portal Score Release Begins	Student Score Release Begins (for those with College Board student accounts)	ISBE's Student Information System (ISBE-provided administrations only)
Release 1	3/18/24 - 3/29/24	4/16/24	4/18/24	Anticipated 7/8/24
Release 2	3/30/24 - 4/12/24	4/30/24	5/2/24	Anticipated 7/8/24
Release 3	4/13/24 - 4/26/24	5/14/24	5/16/24	Anticipated 7/8/24



# Test Specifications and Features

# What's staying the same?

- ✓ College and career readiness
- ✓ 1600 scale, and no concordance is required
- ✓ Testing at school
- ✓ Free, world-class practice resources
- ✓ Scholarships and College Board National Recognition Programs
- ✓ Support for all students



# What's changing?

- ✓ Laptop or tablet necessary
- ✓ Test is shorter
- ✓ Calculators allowed and embedded
- ✓ More Relevant score information provided
- ✓ Security and flexibility increased



# Paper vs. Digital SAT Test Specifications – Reading & Writing



96 total questions (2 sections)

100 total minutes (1.04 min/question)

Set based questions



54 total questions (1 section)

64 total minutes (1.19 min/question)

Discrete questions

# Paper vs. Digital SAT Test Specifications – Math



58 total questions  
2 sections – calculator and no calculator

80 total minutes (1.38 min/question)

Discrete and set based questions  
Four-option multiple-choice ( $\approx 78\%$ )  
Student-produced response (SPR) ( $\approx 22\%$ )



44 total questions  
1 section – with calculator

70 total minutes (1.59 min/question)

Discrete questions  
Four-option multiple-choice ( $\approx 75\%$ )  
Student-produced response (SPR) ( $\approx 25\%$ )

# Essay Section

As you read the passage below, consider how Jimmy Carter uses

- evidence, such as facts or examples, to support claims.
- reasoning to develop ideas and to connect claims and evidence.
- stylistic or persuasive elements, such as word choice or appeals to emotion, to add power to the ideas expressed.

Adapted from former US President Jimmy Carter, *Foreword to Arctic National Wildlife Refuge: Seasons of Life and Land, A Photographic Journey* by Subhankar Banerjee. ©2003 by Subhankar Banerjee.

1 The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge stands alone as America's last truly great wilderness. This magnificent area is as vast as it is wild, from the windswept coastal plain where polar bears and caribou give birth, to the towering Brooks Range where Dall sheep cling to cliffs and wolves howl in the midnight sun.

2 More than a decade ago, [my wife] Rosalynn and I had the fortunate opportunity to camp and hike in these regions of the Arctic Refuge. During bright July days, we walked along ancient caribou trails and studied the brilliant mosaic of wildflowers, mosses, and lichens that hugged the tundra. There was a timeless quality about this

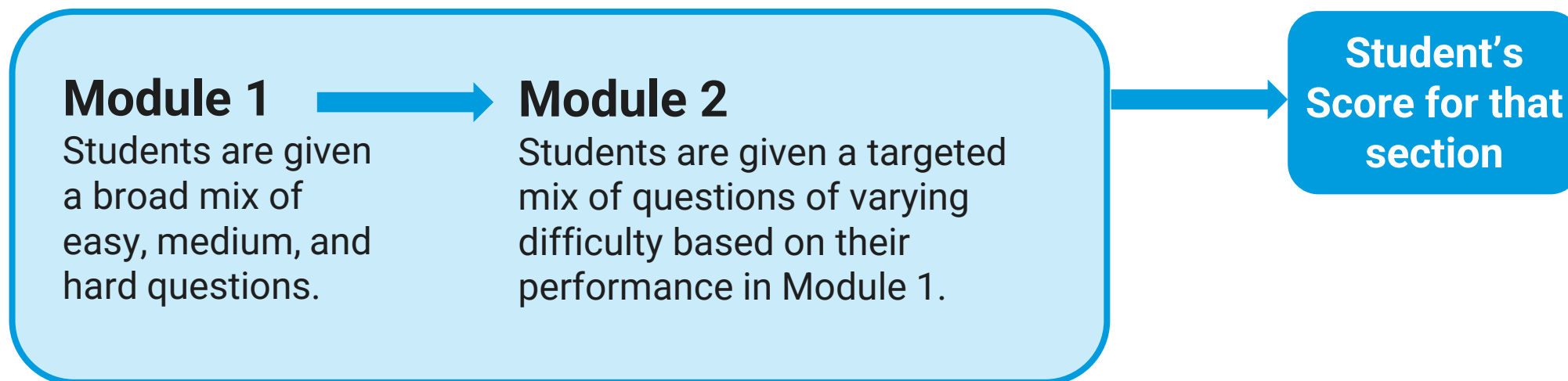
- The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) requires SAT with Essay for all grade 11 Illinois public school students (including those at nonpublic facilities) and for some grade 12 public school students who have not tested previously or been identified as being exempt.
- Grade 11 students who receive scholarships through the IKA program are required to take the SAT with Essay.
- The essay section is 50 minutes for students using standard time.
- A computer keyboard is required for the essay portion of the SAT.
  - Tablet users will also be permitted to use a keyboard for the entire test.

# Multi-Stage Adaptive vs. Item-Level Adaptive

	Multi-Stage Adaptive Testing	Item-Level Adaptive Testing
<b>Test Delivery</b>	Sets of items (called modules)	One item at a time
<b>Adaptive</b>	Based on how students perform in the previous module	Based on how students respond to each item
<b>Navigation</b>	Students can review items within a module	Students are not able to go back to an item
<b>Test Length</b>	Supports shorter test lengths	Supports shorter test lengths
<b>Examples</b>	GRE, digital SAT	ACCUPLACER, SBAC, NWEA – MAP, NCLEX



# Digital SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 have Two Modules per Section

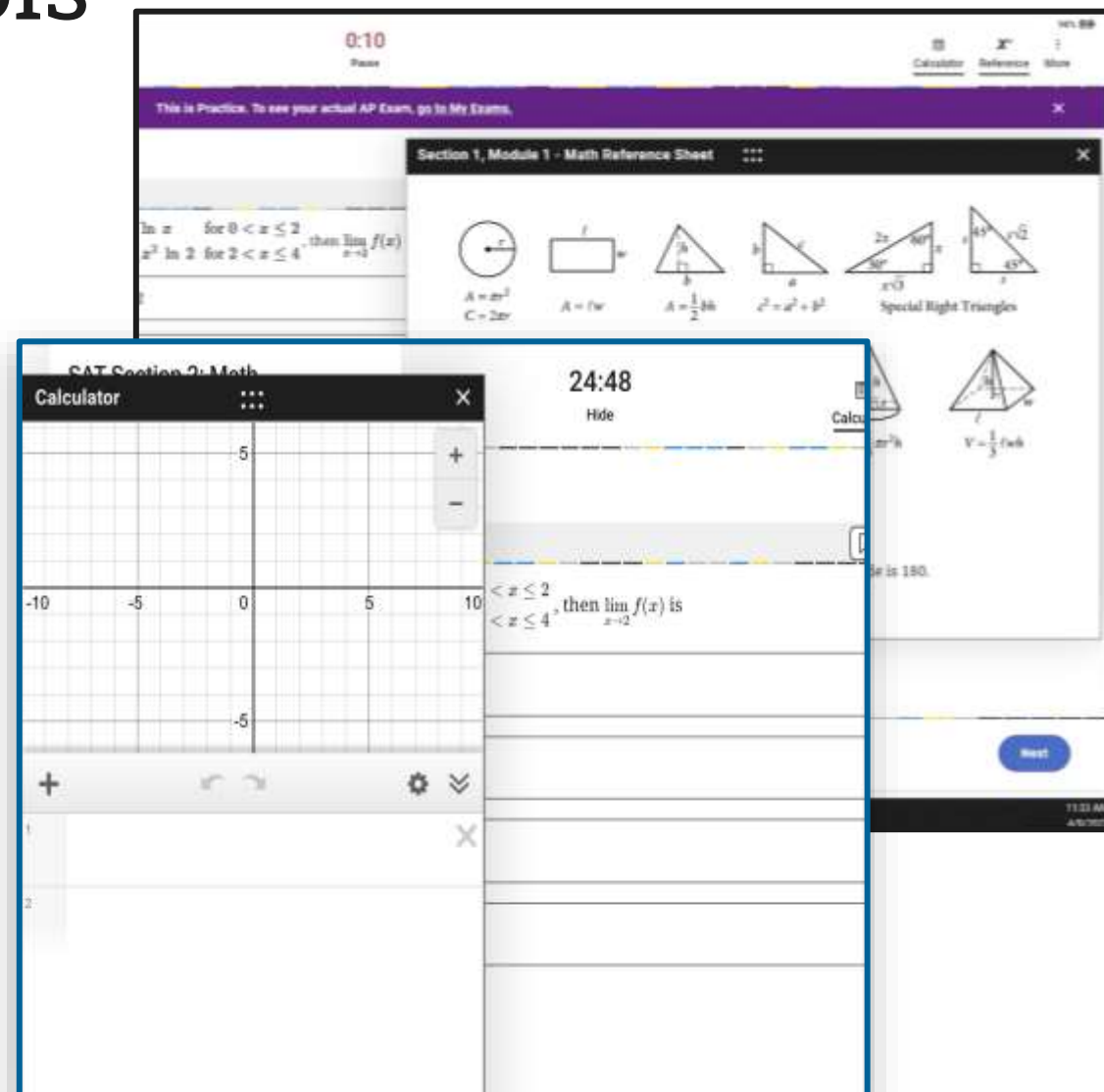


# **Test Administration System Overview**

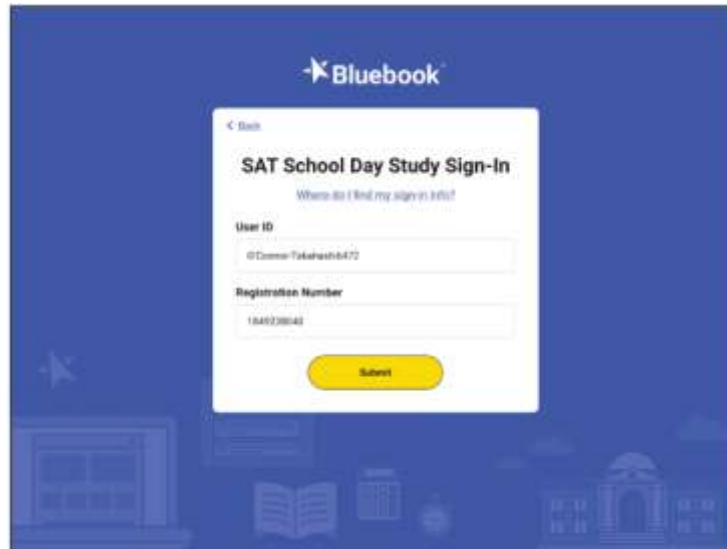
# Bluebook Application Tools

**Built-in Desmos graphing calculator  
& math reference sheets**

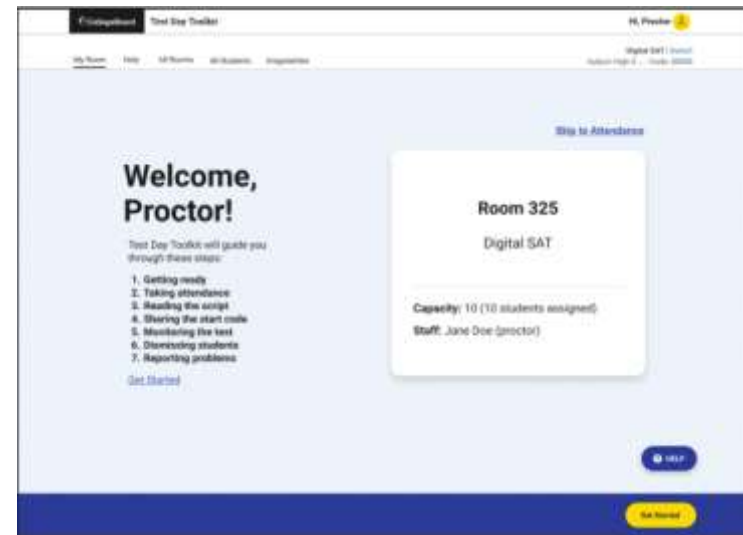
Desmos calculator



# Test Administration System



Bluebook  
(for Students)



Test Day Toolkit  
(for Test Coordinators  
and Proctors)

# Bluebook Application Tools

Flag and review

The screenshot displays the Bluebook application interface. At the top, it shows 'SAT Section 2: Math' and a timer at '35:00'. Below this, there's a 'Directions' dropdown and a 'Hide' button. A progress bar indicates the current question is 1 out of 14. The question itself is a math problem: 'If  $f(x) = x + 7$  and  $g(x) = 7x$ , what is the value of  $f(g(2)) - g(2)$ ?'.

Below the math problem, there's a reading passage. The passage starts with 'Sculptor Ruth Asawa's works have been widely \_\_\_\_\_. Critics have raved about her public fountains in San Francisco, for example, and her intricate loop-wire sculptures—which combine basket-weaving techniques she learned in Mexico City with modernist and abstract expressionist styles—are regarded as masterpieces.' The question asks: 'Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?'. The options are: (A) commended, (B) collected, (C) refused, and (D) limited.

At the bottom of the screenshot, there's a 'Section 1, Module 1: Reading and Writing Questions' overlay. It shows a progress bar with 14 questions, where question 7 is currently selected. Below the progress bar, there's a 'Go to Review Page' button and a 'Question 7 of 14' indicator.

# Bluebook Application Tools

Test timer (show or hide)

The screenshot displays the Bluebook application interface. At the top, a white timer box shows '35:00' with a 'Hide' button below it. To the right is a 'Calculator' button with a calculator icon. Below the timer, a question is presented with a dark background and white text. The question is numbered '1' in a dark box on the left and has a bookmark icon on the right. The text of the question is: 'Two nearby trees are perpendicular to the ground, which is flat. One of these trees is 10 feet tall and has a shadow that is 5 feet long. At the same time the shadow of the other tree is 2 feet long. How tall, in feet, is the other tree?'. At the bottom, there is a response area with a label '(A)' and the number '3' entered.

35:00  
Hide

Calculator

1

Two nearby trees are perpendicular to the ground, which is flat. One of these trees is 10 feet tall and has a shadow that is 5 feet long. At the same time the shadow of the other tree is 2 feet long. How tall, in feet, is the other tree?

(A) 3

# Bluebook Application Tools

## Annotation tools

In recommending Bao Phi's collection *Sông I Sing*, a librarian noted that pieces by the spoken-word poet don't lose their \_\_\_\_\_ nature when printed: the language has the same pleasant musical quality on the page as it does when performed by Phi.

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Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

A

scholarly

B

melodic

C

jarring

New Annotation: "pieces by the spoken-word poet... \_\_\_\_\_ nature when printed: t"

CLOSE X

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# Test Day Toolkit – For Test Coordinators

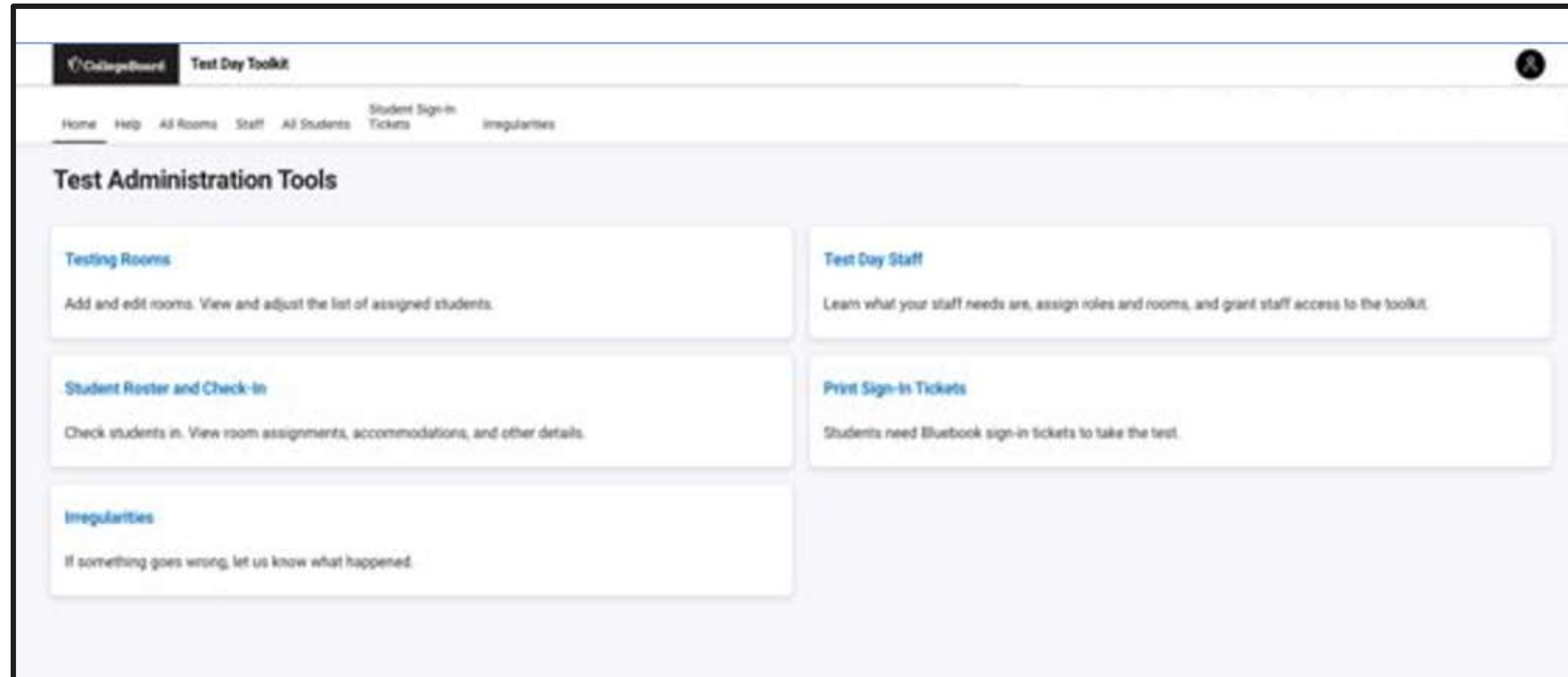
Organize:

- Staff
- Rooms
- Rosters

Print student sign-in tickets.

Monitor testing.

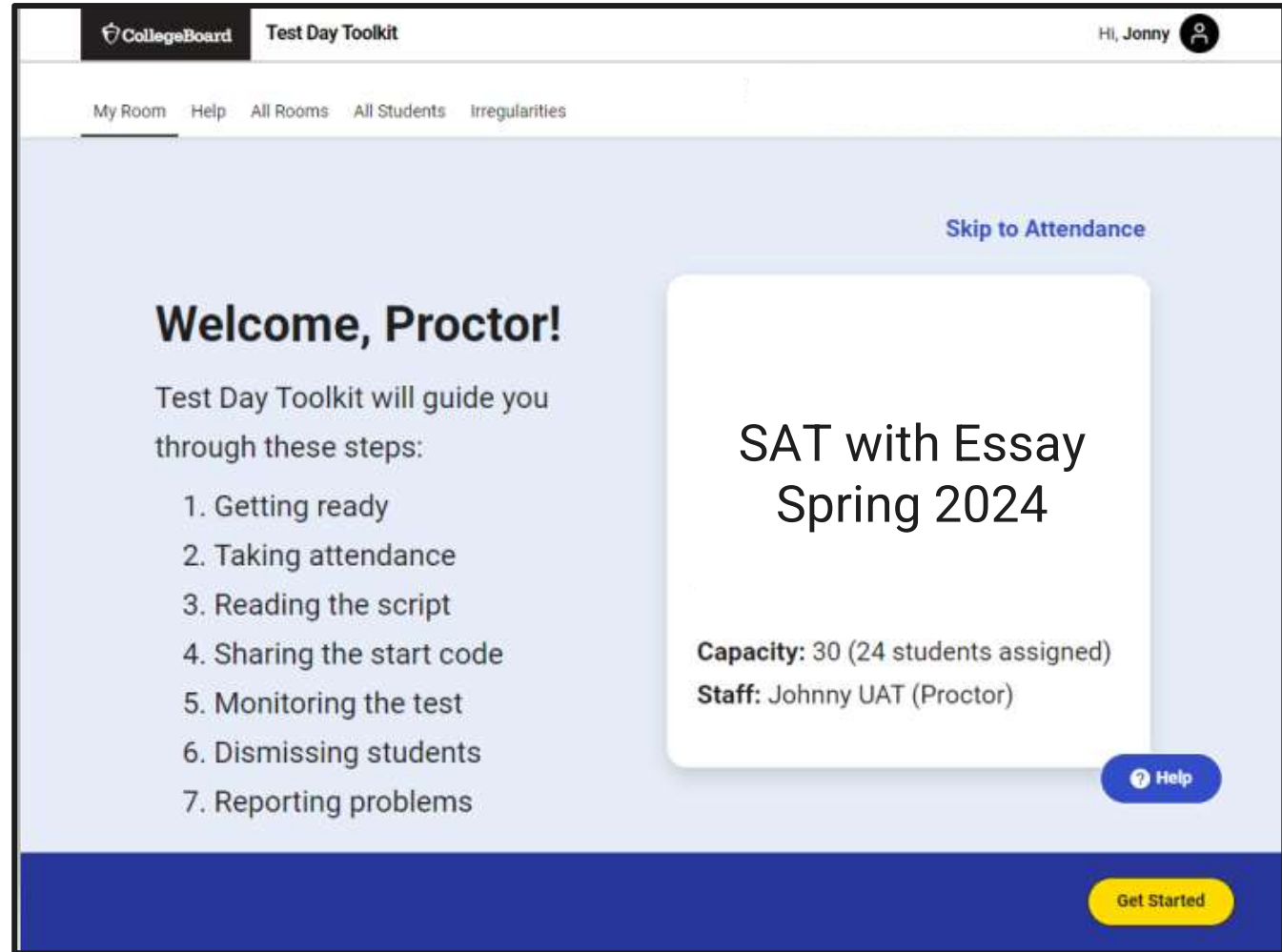
Submit irregularity reports.



# Test Day Toolkit – For Proctors

Monitor testing.

Submit irregularity reports.



# Technology Requirements

# Testing Device Requirements



Laptop  
Tablet\*

School-Managed Device  
(Chromebook or Desktop)

\*Must have a keyboard for SAT with Essay



Testing device  
should be able to  
hold a charge for  
3 hours.



Testing device  
must be able to  
connect to Wi-Fi.



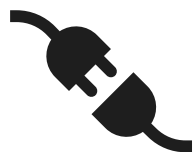
Students will take the digital SAT Suite on a custom-built digital exam application.

<https://bluebook.app.collegeboard.org>

## Bluebook™



If the internet disconnects during testing, students will still be able to progress through the test **with no disruption**.



If a testing device runs out of battery, students can plug in, restart their device, and pick up where they left off—**all their work will be saved, and they won't lose testing time**.



Bluebook **automatically locks out other programs** to ensure testing integrity.



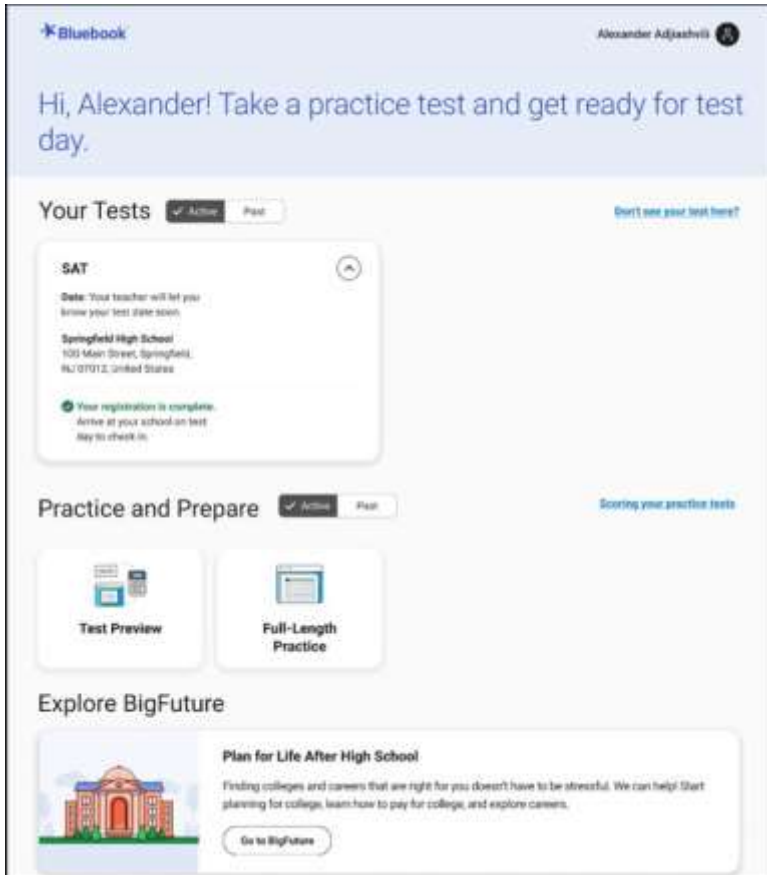
Students are **timed individually**. If their start times are slightly staggered, their breaks and stop times will be, as well.

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# Testing Device Specifications

- Windows laptops/tablets must be running Windows 10 or later and have at least 250 MB of free space available.
- Mac laptops must be running macOS 11.4 or later and have at least 150 MB of free space available.
- iPads must be running iPadOS 14 or later and have at least 150 MB of free space available. An external keyboard is needed for students taking the SAT with Essay.
- School-managed Chromebooks must be running Chrome OS 100 or later and have at least 150 MB of free space available.
- Schools will not be able to run Bluebook on personal Chromebooks for testing.

# Digital Readiness Check



- Prior to testing, and ideally prior to the test date, all students must complete a Digital Readiness Check to ensure their device and app are ready for testing.
- Students will use the Digital Readiness Check to:
  - Confirm registration data.
  - Read and agree to exam rules.
  - Review the privacy notice.
  - Learn what to bring on test day.
  - Complete an optional test preview to familiarize themselves with how testing works in Bluebook.

Digital Readiness Check Website



# Digital Practice

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Students can practice for the digital tests in the following ways:



**SAT<sup>®</sup>**



**Khan Academy**

**Bluebook  
Familiarity**

**Full-Length  
Practice Tests**

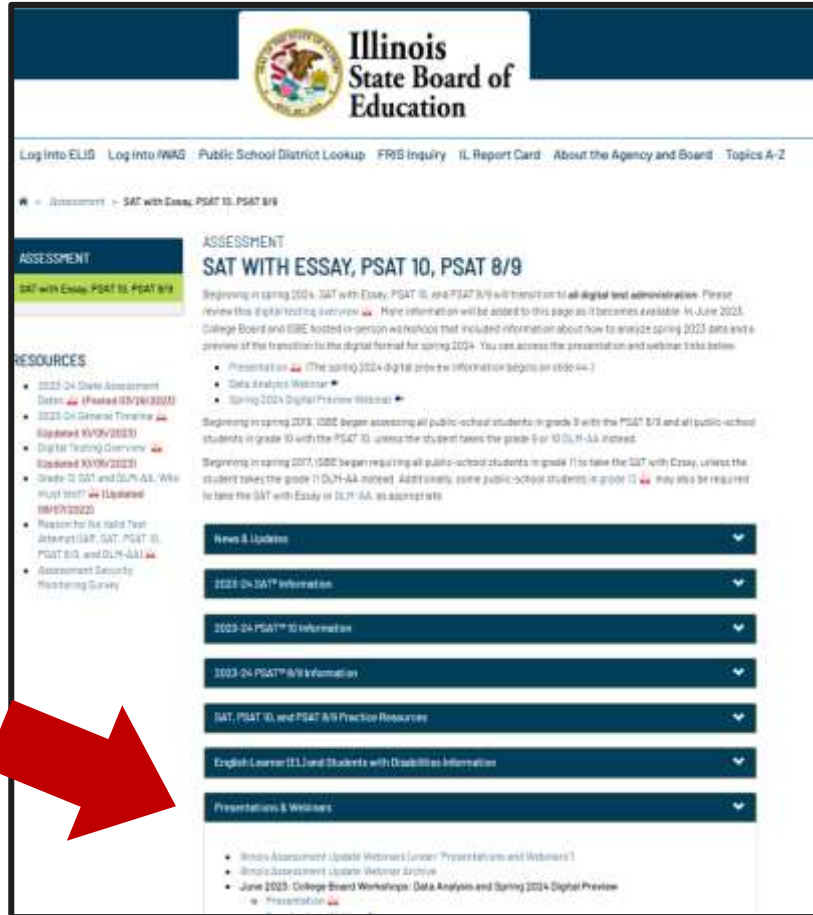
**Overview videos,  
articles, worked  
examples, and the  
ability for students to  
test their knowledge  
with additional released  
digital SAT, PSAT 10,  
and PSAT 8/9 items in  
partnership with College  
Board**

Bluebook Practice

Khan Academy

# School Training Plan

# Training Offerings



<https://www.isbe.net/Pages/sat-psat.aspx>

<https://www.isbe.net/Pages/testinvestinkidsact.aspx>

All past and upcoming trainings are posted on the ISBE SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 website under the Presentations & Webinars dropdown. For IICA schools, please find trainings posted on the Illinois Invest in Kids Act website.

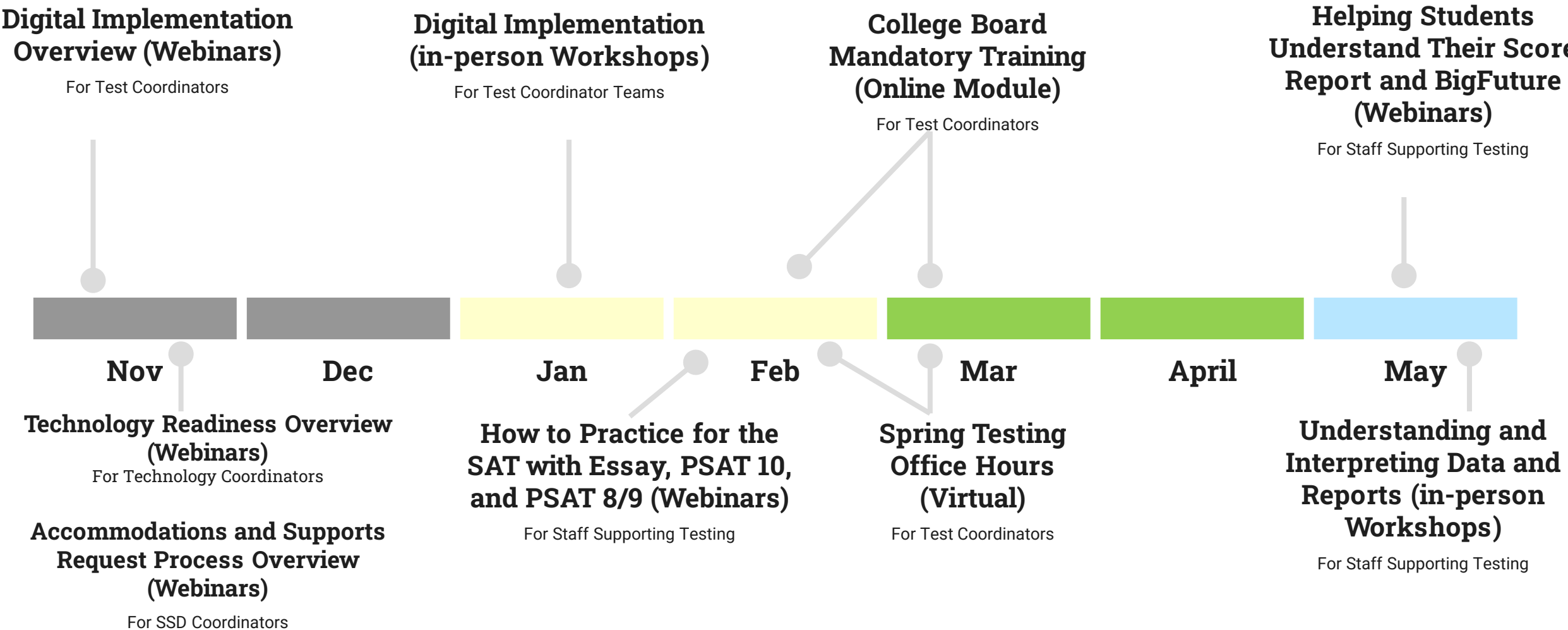
ISBE will post the following prior to each training session:

- Description of the training, including intended audience
- Dates and times of the training
- Registration links to the training

ISBE will post the following approximately one week after each training session:

- Presentation slides (.pdf)
- Presentation recording

# Training Calendar



# Training Offerings for Test, Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD), and Technology Coordinators

Activity Type	Intended Audience	Date	Time	Delivery Method
<u>Digital Implementation Overview</u>	Test Coordinators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>November 1, 10:00 am</li> <li>November 2, 1:00 pm</li> <li>November 7, 10:00 am</li> </ul>	1.5 hours	Webinar
Technology Readiness Overview	Technology Coordinators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>November 28, 10:00 am</li> <li>November 29, 1:00 pm</li> <li>November 30, 10:00 am</li> </ul>	1 hour	Webinar
Accommodations and Supports Request Process Overview	SSD Coordinators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>November 28, 1:00 pm</li> <li>November 29, 10:00 am</li> <li>November 30, 1:00 pm</li> </ul>	1.5 hours	Webinar
Digital Implementation Workshops	Test Coordinator Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Week of January 15</li> <li>Week of January 23</li> <li>Week of January 30 (IICA)</li> </ul>	2.5 hours	In-Person

When available, registration details will be posted on the [ISBE SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 website](#) under the Presentations & Webinars dropdown.

# Training Offerings for Test, Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD), and Technology Coordinators

Activity Type	Intended Audience	Date	Time	Delivery Method
College Board <b>Mandatory</b> Online Module Training For Testing Staff	*Test Coordinators, SSD Coordinators, Technology Coordinators, Proctors, Room Monitors, Hallway Monitors	Self-paced module	0.5 – 1 hour, depending on role	Virtual
**Spring testing office hours	Test Coordinators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>February 2, 11:00 am</li> <li>February 16, 11:00 am</li> <li>March 1, 11:00 am</li> <li>March 15, 11:00 am</li> </ul>	1 hour	Virtual

\*Test coordinators will receive an email from College Board with a link to their mandatory training. Test coordinators must view the mandatory training and may share the link with other testing staff, as appropriate.

\*\*When available, details regarding how to attend the spring testing office hours will be posted on the [ISBE SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 website](#) under the Presentations & Webinars dropdown.



# Training Offerings for Staff Supporting Testing

Activity Type	Intended Audience	Date	Time	Delivery Method
How to Practice for the SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9	Staff Supporting Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>February 13, 10:00 am</li><li>February 14, 1:00 pm</li><li>February 15, 10:00 am</li></ul>	1.5 hours	Webinar
Helping Students Understand Their Score Report and BigFuture	Staff Supporting Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>May 14, 10:00 am</li><li>May 15, 1:00 pm</li><li>May 16, 10:00 am</li></ul>	1.5 hours	Webinar
Understanding and Interpreting Data and Reports Workshop	Staff Supporting Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Late May</li></ul>	2.5 hours	In-person

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# Need Assistance?

## College Board Questions

Contact College Board at Illinois Educator Support:

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- 844-688-9995

## ISBE Questions

Visit the ISBE's SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, PSAT 8/9 websites:

- [www.isbe.net/Pages/sat-psat.aspx](http://www.isbe.net/Pages/sat-psat.aspx) (ISBE-provided testing)
- [www.isbe.net/Pages/testinvestinkidsact.aspx](http://www.isbe.net/Pages/testinvestinkidsact.aspx) (IICA testing)

Contact ISBE's Department of Assessment:

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# Questions & Answers