

ISBE-Provided Fall 2020 SAT with Essay for Grade 12 Students

The [Illinois School Code](#) and [ISBE Rule](#) require that public-school students take the state's final accountability assessment, currently SAT with Essay, or its approved alternate assessment, currently DLM-AA, in order to receive a regular high school diploma, unless exempt.

Students classified as grade 12 in fall 2020 who were required to participate in state's final accountability assessments in spring 2020 may **choose** to participate in the ISBE-provided fall 2020 SAT with Essay to meet the diploma requirement and have the opportunity to receive a timely college- and scholarship-reportable score. Grade 12 students who choose to participate in the ISBE-provided fall 2020 SAT with Essay will **not** be required or allowed to participate in the state's final accountability assessment in spring 2021. Students classified as grade 11 in fall 2020 are **not** permitted to participate in the ISBE-provided fall 2020 SAT with Essay and are instead required to participate in the state's final accountability assessment or its approved alternate assessment, as appropriate, in spring 2021.

Students who were required to participate in the state's final accountability assessments in spring 2020 and **choose not** to participate in the ISBE-provided fall 2020 SAT with Essay are required to participate in the spring 2021 administration of SAT with Essay or DLM-AA, as applicable, to meet the diploma requirement.

Test Dates for the ISBE-Provided Fall 2020 SAT with Essay for Grade 12 Students

NEW 07/21/20: ISBE has added the September School Day date in order to provide the most flexibility to its schools. Each eligible grade 12 student may participate in **only one administration** of the three available ISBE-Provided SAT with Essay options in the 2020-21 school year (i.e., September 2020, October 2020, or April 2021).

Primary Test Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2020
Makeup Test Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 (**NEW-Revised by College Board**)
Accommodations Test Window: September 23-October 6, 2020

Primary Test Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2020
Makeup Test Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 (**NEW-Revised by College Board**)
Accommodations Test Window: October 14-27, 2020

IMPORTANT: Schools that were [established to participate in spring 2020](#) are required to offer the ISBE-provided fall 2020 SAT with Essay to their grade 12 students who choose to participate.

More details, including ordering processes and deadlines, about the ISBE-provided fall 2020 SAT with Essay are available on the ISBE SAT page: www.isbe.net/Pages/sat-psat.aspx. A frequently asked questions document is now available: www.isbe.net/Documents/Fall-SAT-Essay-FAQ.pdf.

ISBE will **not** provide any fall 2020 testing for PSAT-related assessments (i.e., PSAT 8/9 and PSAT/NMSQT). However, ISBE will provide PSAT 8/9 for grade 9 and PSAT 10 for grade 10 in spring 2021, as previously communicated in www.isbe.net/Documents/State-Assessment-Dates-2020-21.pdf.