



## Differences Between ISBE-Provided Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 Assessments

For the 2020-21 school year, the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) will be providing both fall and spring assessments. Policies and procedures required for spring differ from those required for fall. Use this guide to review the policies and procedures for **both** assessment seasons. Details about the ISBE-provided fall 2020 SAT with Essay are posted, along with a link to a frequently asked questions document, here: <a href="www.isbe.net/Documents/Fall-2020-ISBE-Provided-SAT-Essay.pdf">www.isbe.net/Documents/Fall-2020-ISBE-Provided-SAT-Essay.pdf</a>. Dates for the ISBE-provided spring 2021 assessments are posted here: <a href="www.isbe.net/Documents/State-Assessment-Dates-2020-21.pdf">www.isbe.net/Documents/Documents/State-Assessment-Dates-2020-21.pdf</a>.

Test Materials and Eligibility	Fall 2020 Testing	Spring 2021 Testing
ISBE-Provided Assessments	SAT with Essay (for eligible grade 12)	SAT with Essay (for grade 11 and some in grade 12, as required), PSAT 10 (for grade 10), and PSAT 8/9 (for grade 9)
SAT vs. SAT with Essay	Schools must order and administer the SAT with Essay for only eligible grade 12 students: those who are enrolled in the fall as grade 12 who were required but unable to test in spring 2020 while in grade 11 or 12. If the SAT without Essay is ordered, the school will be billed directly.	Schools receive materials for SAT with Essay; the Essay is required.
Identifying Test Staff and Addresses	Test Coordinators and school addresses will be identified in the College Board Test Ordering Site (TOS).	School addresses and administrator email addresses are provided to the College Board by ISBE in the fall. Test Coordinators are identified by the school administrator via annual fall survey response. Districts/Schools must ensure data in ISBE's Entity Profile System (EPS) are current.
Ordering Materials for the Primary Test Date	SAT with Essay: Schools will order standard and accommodated materials in TOS by a published ordering deadline. The primary test date is September 23, 2020, or October 14, 2020, and the corresponding accommodated testing windows, respectfully, are September 23-October 6, 2020, and October 14-27, 2020.	Standard material orders will be automatically calculated and shipped based on the number of students pre-ID'd in ISBE's Student Information System (SIS). Accommodated materials orders will be automatically calculated and ordered based on students in the pending and approved status in SSD Online by certain deadlines.
Ordering Makeup Materials	SAT with Essay: Schools will order applicable makeup materials for Tuesday, October 27, 2020, in TOS.  Note: Makeup date is revised from the original.	SAT with Essay, PSAT 10 (for grade 10), and PSAT 8/9 (for grade 9): Schools will submit a makeup survey to obtain makeup materials.
Tracking Materials	SAT with Essay: Tracking numbers for shipments are available only in TOS.	Tracking numbers are emailed to Test Coordinators.
Public School Eligibility	SAT with Essay: Only schools that were established in spring 2020 are eligible to participate in the fall 2020 administration. Eligible schools are required to participate in the fall 2020 administration if they have any eligible grade 12 students who choose to participate. See <a href="www.isbe.net/Documents/SAT-PSAT-Test-Sites-2020.pdf">www.isbe.net/Documents/SAT-PSAT-Test-Sites-2020.pdf</a> . Schools will be required to determine who is eligible for grade 12 fall testing and must order SAT with Essay only for these students. Schools will be billed directly for assessments other than SAT with Essay and for any assessments ordered for students in grades not provided by ISBE (i.e., only grade 12 is provided by ISBE).	All public-school students enrolled in grades 9, 10, and 11 are required to be tested with PSAT 8/9 (for grade 9), PSAT 10 (for grade 10), and SAT with Essay, respectively, regardless of their placement unless they are exempt from state testing or are required instead to participate in the state's alternate assessment (i.e., Dynamic Learning Maps-Alternate Assessment). Note that some students in grade 12 are also required to take SAT with Essay if not exempt.





Test Materials and Eligibility (cont.)	Fall 2020 Testing	Spring 2021 Testing
Serving School Eligibility	SAT with Essay: Only serving schools that were established in spring 2020 are eligible to participate in the fall 2020 administration. Eligible schools are required to participate in the fall 2020 administration if they have any eligible grade 12 students who choose to participate. See <a href="www.isbe.net/Documents/SAT-PSAT-Test-Sites-2020.pdf">www.isbe.net/Documents/SAT-PSAT-Test-Sites-2020.pdf</a> . Schools will be required to determine who is eligible for grade 12 fall testing and must order SAT with Essay only for these students. Schools will be billed directly for assessments other than SAT with Essay and for any assessments ordered for students in grades not provided by ISBE (i.e., only grade 12 is provided by ISBE).	Serving schools are eligible to participate if they complete the fall establishment survey by the provided deadline.
Homeschoolers	Students who are homeschooled may test at participating schools only if they were receiving instruction in English Language Arts (ELA) or mathematics from the public school in spring 2020 and were, therefore, required to test in spring 2020. Schools may include these eligible grade 12 students in their order.	Students who are homeschooled must test at participating schools only if they are receiving instruction in English Language Arts (ELA) or mathematics from the public school in spring 2021 and were classified as being in grade 11 in fall 2020 and/or spring 2021. Schools must ensure these students are enrolled correctly in SIS.
Pre-ID	Pre-ID registration will not be supported.	ISBE submits registration files to College Board on behalf of all participating schools.
Pre-ID Labels	Pre-ID labels will <b>not</b> be available. Students will grid at least required information on their SAT with Essay answer sheet.	Pre-ID labels are automatically sent to schools for use on the answer sheet for all students who are Pre-ID'd in ISBE's SIS by posted deadlines. Students must still grid their name, date of birth, and student ID number on their answer sheet as a verification.
Accommodations and Supports	Fall 2020 Testing	Spring 2021 Testing
Accommodations for SAT with Essay	Students must have approved College Board accommodations in SSD Online prior to the ordering deadline to allow orders for accommodated materials to be placed in TOS. State-Allowed accommodations are not available.	Students must have College Board accommodations entered in SSD Online prior to the accommodations deadline. State-Allowed accommodations are available.
Accommodations for PSAT 8/9 and PSAT 10	PSAT 8/9 and PSAT 10 are not provided by ISBE in fall 2020.	Students must have College Board accommodations entered in SSD Online prior to the accommodations deadline. State-Allowed accommodations are available.
English Learner (EL) Supports	EL supports are offered for SAT with Essay. Extended time must be entered in SSD Online for the fall 2020 ISBE-provided SAT with Essay. NOTE: If students were entered in SSD Online for spring 2020 EL Supports, they will need to be re-entered for fall 2020.	EL supports are offered for SAT with Essay, PSAT 8/9 (for grade 9) and PSAT 10 (for grade 10). Extended time must be entered in SSD Online for the spring ISBE-provided assessments.





Test Administration	Fall 2020 Testing	Spring 2021 Testing
Training	Standard SAT School Day training is required to be completed by coordinators. Testing Coordinators will receive a call to action email asking them to complete training prior to test administration.	Training for the ISBE-provided administration is required to be completed every year in the spring.
Off-site Testing	All schools needing off-site testing locations for SAT with Essay do not need to submit a request for approval. Schools will order materials for all testing locations.	Schools must submit off-site testing plans to test students at a location other than their established school.
Communications	Schools will receive standard College Board communications about fall testing.	Schools receive emails from ISBE or customized emails about state testing from College Board.
Publications	Schools receive standard College Board publications, including manuals.	Schools receive some publications that are specific to the ISBE-provided administrations.
After Testing	Fall 2020 Testing	Spring 2021 Testing
Grade-Level Adjustments	Schools can complete an invoicing process in TOS after testing is complete to correct student grades for invoicing and reporting purposes.	Schools do not complete an invoicing process.
*Schools can choose to deliver School Day benefits to students either through the fall or spring process. For more information on School Day benefits, visit https://collegereadiness.collegeboard. org/sat/register/fees/fee-waivers	Schools can order fee reduction benefits in TOS during the ordering process. Fee reduction benefits provide students with additional opportunities to take the weekend SAT for free. After testing is complete, schools will identify the students in TOS that are eligible for the benefits, which will be delivered automatically to student College Board accounts. This provides the same benefits as using the fee waivers in spring.	Schools will receive a file of fee waiver codes in the K-12 College Board Reporting Portal to provide to students. These fee waiver codes provide the same benefits as using the fee reductions in the fall.
Online Score Reporting for Students	Scores are released to students on standard score release timelines in student College Board accounts.	Scores are typically released to students in May.
Online Score Reporting for Educators	Scores are released to educators on standard score release timelines. Scores are available in the K-12 College Board Reporting Portal.	Scores are released only to educators in the K-12 College Board Reporting Portal after the answer document verification window and accompanying activities are completed, typically in June. ISBE posts scores in its Student Information System (SIS), typically in July.
Released Forms	SAT with Essay test form is not released.	Only the primary SAT with Essay test is released. Educators can see the disclosed questions and answer choices in the K-12 College Board Reporting Portal. There are no released forms for PSAT 10 (for grade 10) or PSAT 8/9 (for grade 9).
Invoicing	Schools will be invoiced for only assessments and grades for which orders are placed that fall outside of the ISBE-provided assessments and grades (i.e., ISBE is providing only SAT with Essay for grade 12).	Schools are not invoiced for assessments.