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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The West Virginia Department of Education will administer the SAT School Day in spring 2022. Because the SAT School Day is West Virginia's high school accountability exam, all Grade 11 students except those who take the West Virginia Alternate Summative Assessment are required to take this state-administered test. This year Grade 12 students are not eligible to take the state-provided SAT School Day.

The SAT School Day will be administered in a paper format at your student's high school or a county-approved off-site location during a regular school day. Students will NOT pay a fee to take this test. Each school will provide additional information regarding their plans for testing, including this year's test date.

The SAT is a nationally recognized college- and career-readiness assessment administered by the College Board. It is accepted at colleges and universities throughout West Virginia and the nation for both college admissions and placement and can be used to qualify for the PROMISE Scholarship.

The Frequently Asked Question document included with this letter will provide additional details regarding this year's test administration. Also enclosed with this letter is important information from the College Board regarding the SAT School Day. Each school will share additional information regarding their plans for testing.

I respectfully request that you encourage your student to perform to the best of their ability during the SAT School Day this spring. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the principal or counselor at your student's school, or the district test coordinator at your county's board of education office.

Sincerely,

W. Clayton Burch State Superintendent of Schools

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Enclosures



## Q. What are the benefits for students to take the SAT School Day in spring 2022?

A. The SAT School Day provides important information that can be used to help improve instruction for each individual student. Students who take the SAT School Day have the additional benefit of taking a college entrance exam that can be used for college admissions, placement in college credit-bearing courses, and qualification for various scholarships, including West Virginia's Promise Scholarship.

## Q: When will students be able to see their SAT School Day results?

A: Students who have created College Board accounts will have access to their SAT School Day results a few weeks after completing the tests in the spring.

## Q: What kind of reports will students receive, and when will they get them?

A: In addition to being able to see their scores in their College Board accounts, students who take the SAT School Day will receive printed student score reports with their results, as well as printed Lexile/ Quantile Measures Reports. Students also will receive links to video score reports customized for each student. The printed reports and the video reports for the spring test administration will be distributed to students at the beginning of the next school year.

## Q. Will students' SAT School Day scores affect their grades, promotion, or graduation?

A. No, results from the SAT School Day will not affect students' grades or keep students from advancing to the next grade or graduating high school.

#### Q. Can students opt out of taking the state's summative assessment in spring 2022?

A. Neither West Virginia law nor the regulations of the West Virginia Board of Education contain any provisions for "opting-out" of statewide assessments, and we are aware of no legal right for parents or students to do so.

#### Q. Can students take the test remotely?

A. No, remote testing is not allowed. All tests are administered in an in-person setting.

## Q. Do virtual school students have to take the test?

A. Yes, virtual school students are considered public school students and are required to take the annual statewide summative tests at the grade level they are enrolled. The district will provide additional information regarding testing dates and times.

## Q. Are virtual school students required to take the test at the school?

A. All students must take the tests in-person at the schools where they are enrolled or at off-site locations established by the county for testing. Counties and schools will determine a schedule and notify you of when and where your student is to report for testing. Counties and schools have several options for testing that will enable them to ensure all students can take their tests safely. Talk to your student's school to determine the best solution for ensuring your student can take the test.

For additional information regarding the spring 2022 statewide assessments, please contact your student's school.





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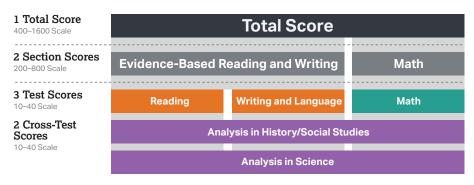
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# **SAT Score Structure**



WEST VIRGINIA SAT SCHOOL DAY TESTING DATES

Your student's school will provide the specific testing date the SAT School Day will be administered in the spring.

#### TOTAL TESTING TIME

4 hours

#### **SAT HIGHLIGHTS**

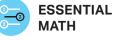


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#### CREATE A COLLEGE BOARD ACCOUNT

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