



Paulding County High School

2023 PSAT/NMSQT Digital Testing Information

Who will be tested?

- All on-track 10th grade Face-to-Face (F2F) & Virtual Learners
- All 9th and 11th grade students that register and pay on RevTrak (Deadline: **Friday, September 8th**)
- 9th and 11th Grade Sign-Up Link: <https://forms.office.com/r/yC9Pnq0Sw6>
- 9th and 11th Grade RevTrak Link: <https://paulding.revtrak.net/pchs/pchs-psat#/list>

When will the test be given?

- **Monday, October 23rd- Friday, October 27th and Monday 30th, 2023**
 - **10th grade-** Monday, October 23rd-Friday, October 27th
 - **9th and 11th grade-** Monday, October 30th

What do I do on Test Day?

Make sure that you have fully charged your school issued laptop the night before. Report to your testing location immediately upon arrival on campus with your school issued laptop and charging cord. Room rosters will be posted in the main hall and 9th Grade Academy to direct students to the appropriate testing location. Beginning 10/16/22, you may email Heather DeJohn-Mathis at hdejohnmathis@paulding.k12.ga.us to receive testing room assignments.

As soon as all test participants are where they need to be, and not later than 9:00 am, testing rooms will close and no one else will be admitted.

The testing schedule will be as follows:

- Administration Duties (30 minutes)
 - Wi-Fi connectivity protocol, Bluebook application duties, check-in, etc.
- Reading and Writing Test Section (64 minutes)
- Break (10 minutes)
- Math Test Section (70 minutes)
- Administration Duties (15 minutes)
 - Solidifying submissions, Bluebook application duties, check-out, etc.

Total Time: Approximately 184 minutes (3 hours 4 minutes)

Except for administration duties, the testing section times is not flexible. This is still a lengthy test and will be a challenge to complete before lunch. Please help us get started as quickly as possible by arriving on time with your school issued laptop that is fully charged.

What is changing between the paper test and the digital test?

The digital test uses the Bluebook platform that tests like the EOC (End of Course Assessment) and has many of the same tools to assist students with test taking. The digital test is shorter in duration and multi-adaptive, meaning that based on how students do, the test adjusts itself to assess the student achievement level more accurately. Your student will have more time to answer questions and the reading passages are shorter. Students can use either the built in calculator within Bluebook platform or the school issued calculator given during the assessment.

How can I prepare for the PSAT?

- Refer to the email links below or go to the school website to access your *Fall 2023 PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide*. Please visit <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt> (overview), <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt/preparing> (practice), psat.org/practice (additional practice online)

What do I do on Test Day?

- Photo ID: Students unknown to the test examiner or other testing staff may be required to confirm their identity with a photo ID. Examples of this include:
 - Government issued driver's license
 - Official school-produced student ID card from the student's current school
 - Government issued passport or U.S. Global Entry ID card
 - Government issued military or national ID card

Cell phones, wearable technology (i.e.- Smartwatches or fitness trackers), and other electronic devices are not allowed in the testing room. Students will be provided with a bag to label with their name and be instructed to place these items into the bag upon entry into the testing room. The devices will be collected and removed from the testing room, locked away, and returned to the students at the conclusion of testing.

Students are not able to enter or exit the testing room once testing begins. If your student needs to leave before the testing room being dismissed, his or her test will be invalidated.

What should I do when my testing room is dismissed?

- Virtual learners and PVA students should exit the front of the build to be picked up once they are released from their testing room
- F2F Learners will follow release instructions provided by their examiner

For more information on PSAT, please visit College Board at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>