

How to Read Your 2017/18 PSAT SCORE REPORT

As you review your 2017/18 PSAT scores, here are some notes to guide you through each page of your report:

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The front page lists the school and personal information that you filled in when taking your exam. Please confirm your grade is correct. If it is not, please login to your CollegeBoard account and go to “Account Settings” and make the appropriate change. It is also a great idea to confirm all of the information is correct, especially your date of birth, spelling of your name, and your email address.

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You will see three scores: Evidence Based Reading and Writing, Total, and Math. Underneath, you will see the “Nationally Representative” percentile. According to The College Board, this percentile compares your performance to those of “all U.S. students in a particular grade, including those who don’t typically take the test.” However, what is more important is to review the information on the second half of the page under **Test Scores** to ensure you are on track with your readiness scores. If you are below the green scale on any score, this is an area that you can improve in to make yourself more prepared for the SAT and college level work.

To the right is the “Subscores” section. Here, you will see a scale indicating your readiness in each subsection.

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Here is where you will find your National Merit Scholarship Selection Index score. This score is generally relevant to juniors as they are the only students eligible for the National Merit program and the Selection Index score is the score that is referenced when identifying qualifying scores to determine National Merit Semifinalists. We can tell you that the qualifying score last year was a 220 for Arizona and that we will not learn of the qualifying score for our current juniors until Fall 2018.

“Your Scores: Next Steps” identifies the areas you did well on (left hand side), and the areas for improvement (right hand side).

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This page shows each question, the correct answer, your answer, the level of difficulty, and the subsection the question addressed.

Now that you have linked your PSAT test scores with your Khan Academy account, you can obtain personalized test prep through Khan Academy.

If you have additional questions, please contact Mrs. Coolidge

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