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Using Your PSAT/NMSQT® Scores to Increase College Readiness

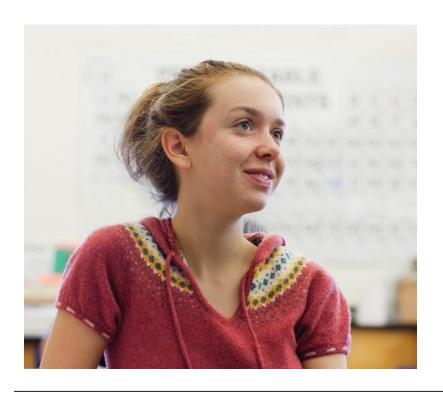




Get to Know the PSAT/NMSQT®

- The PSAT/NMSQT is highly relevant to your future success because it focuses on the skills and knowledge at the heart of your education. It measures:
 - -What you learn in high school
 - -What you need to succeed in college
- The PSAT/NMSQT measures reading, writing and language, and math skills developed over many years.
- The PSAT/NMSQT does not ask for facts from literature, history, or science, or for recall of math formulas, because it measures your reasoning and critical thinking skills.
- You don't have to discover secret tricks or cram the night before.
- There is no penalty for guessing.

What Are the Benefits of Taking the PSAT/NMSQT®?

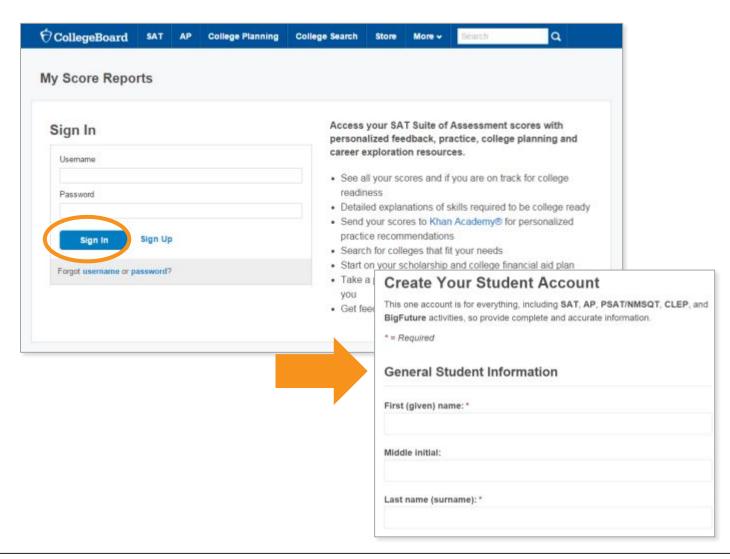


- Prepare for the SAT®
- Get free, personalized Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy®
- Start getting ready for college with college and career planning tools
- Enter the National Merit[®] Scholarship Program
- See which AP® courses for which you might be ready
- Get admission and financial aid information from colleges

How Do I Access My Online PSAT/NMSQT® Scores and

Reports?

Log in to an existing College Board account or create a new one at **studentscores.collegeboard.org.**



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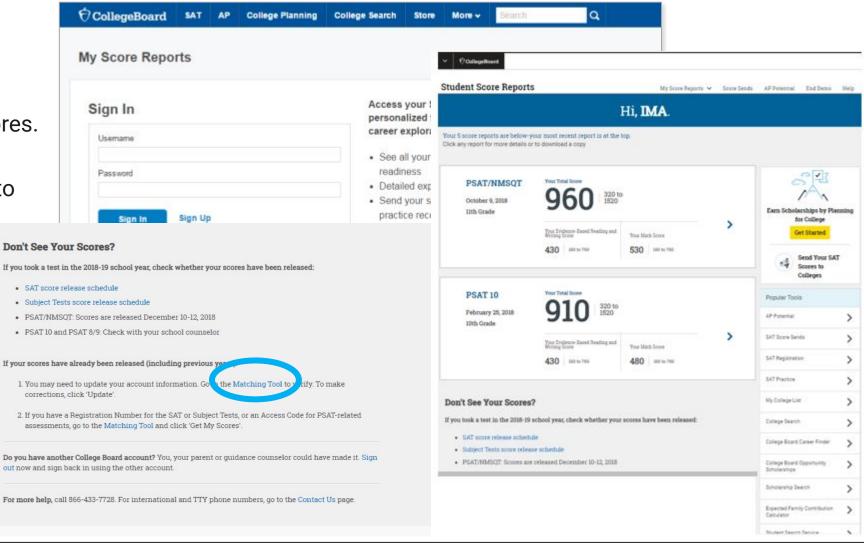
Reports? (cont.)

1. Log in to your account.

Select PSAT/NMSQT Scores.

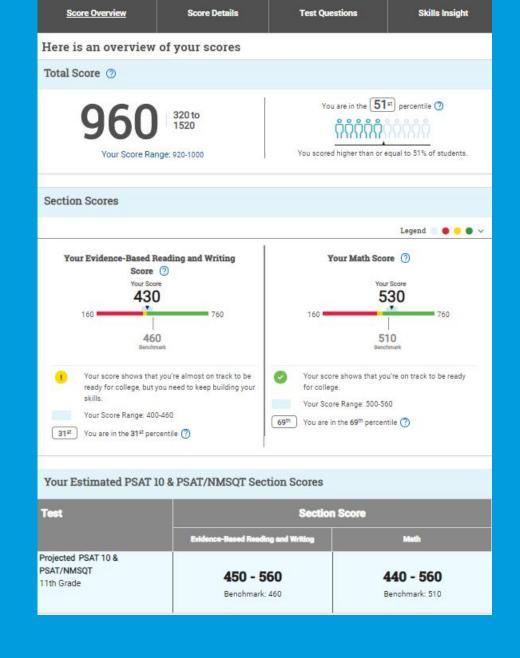
1. *OR*

Use the "Matching Tool" to locate scores.





How Do I See My Detailed Scores?



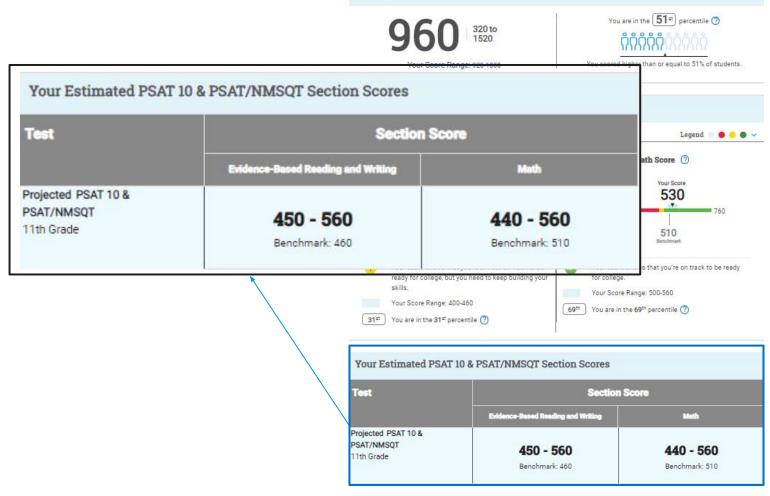
How Will I Do on the SAT Next Year?

Score Overview Score Details Test Questions Skills Insight

Here is an overview of your scores

Total Score ①

The predicted SAT® score is an initial projection based on current data and concordance.



How Did My Score Measure Against the Benchmarks?

Section, test, and subscores all report scores in performance zones that indicate whether you are on track for meeting the college readiness benchmarks on the SAT_®.



Section scores

Need to Strengthen Skills = below grade-level benchmark by more than one year

Approaching Benchmark = below grade-level benchmark by one year or less

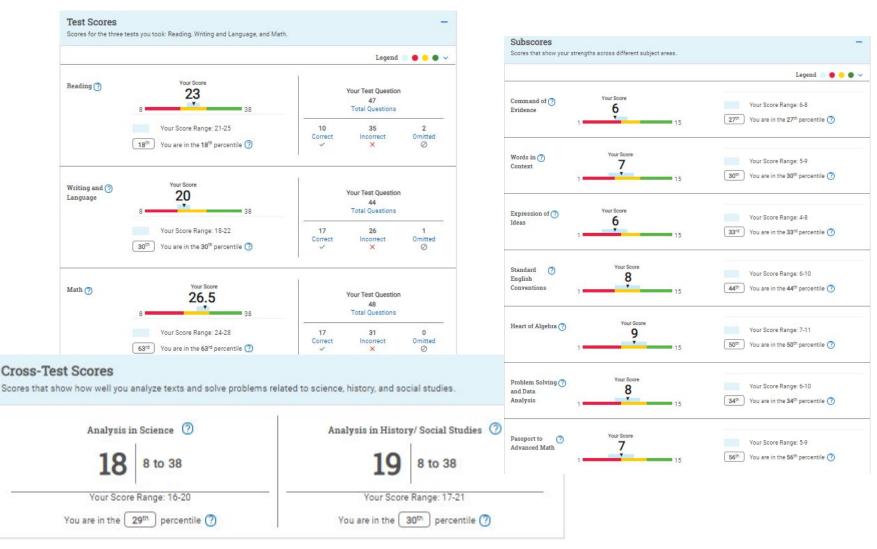
Meets or Exceeds Benchmark = at or above grade-level benchmark

Test scores and subscores

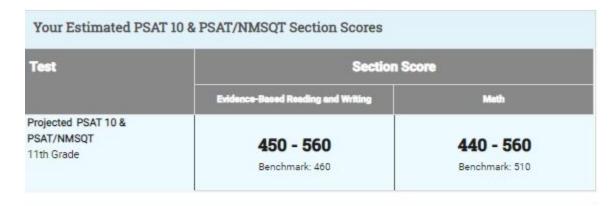
Red, yellow, and green ranges reflect areas of strengths and weaknesses compared to the typical performance of students.

What Do My Scores Tell Me?

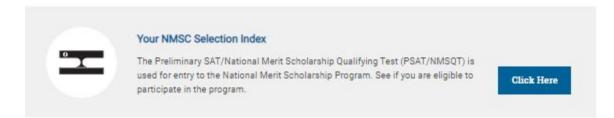
Test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores give students insightful information about their strengths and areas for improvement.



What Is the National Merit Scholarship Program?

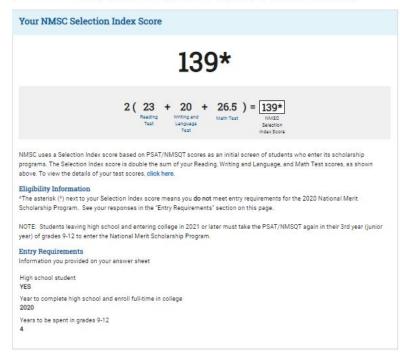






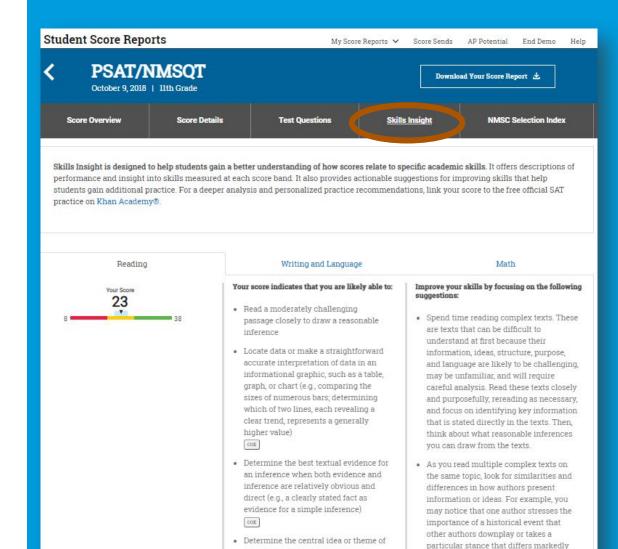






How Can I Improve My Academic Skills?

Skills Insight™ informs you about what you are already likely able to do, and how you can improve your skills.



a moderately challenging passage

from that of most other authors. (Whether

back to Test Questions

Reading: Question 1

This passage is adapted from Jane Austen, Emma, originally published in 1815.

e Emma Woodhouse, handsome, clever, and rich, with a comfortable home and happy disposition, seemed to unite some of the best blessings of existence, and had lived nearly twenty-one years in the world with very title to distress or vex her.

She was the youngest of the two daughters of a most affectionate, indulgent father, and had, in consequence of her sister's marriage, been mistress of his house from a very early period. Her mother had died too long ago for her to have more than an indistinct remembrance of her caresese, and her place had been supplied by an excellent woman as governess, who had fallen little short of a mother in affection.

Sixteen years had Miss Taylor been in Mr.

Woodhouse's family, less as a governess than a friend, very fond of both daughters, but particularly of Emma.

Between them it was more the intimacy of sisters. Even before Miss Taylor had ceased to hold the nominal office of governess, the mildness of her temper had hardly

allowed her to impose any restraint, and the shadow of authority being now long passed away, they had been living together as friend and friend very mutually attached, and Emma doing just what she liked, highly esteeming Miss Taylor's judgment, but directed chiefly by her own.

The real evils indeed of Emma's situation were the power of having rather too much her own way, and a disposition to think a little too well of hersif, these were the disadvantages which threatened alloy to her many 30 enjoyments. The danger, however, was at present so unperceived, that they did not by any means rank as misfortunes with her.

Sorrow came—a gentle sorrow—but not at all in the shape of any disagreeable consciousness—Miss Taylor 35 married. It was Miss Taylor's loss which first brought grief. It was on the wedding-day of this beloved friend that Emma first sat in mournful thought of any

The main purpose of the passage is to

View Answer and Explanation ^

You selected answer A, which is correct. Nice job!

- A. describe a main character and a significant change in her life.
- B. provide an overview of a family and a nearby neighbor.
- C. discuss some regrettable personality flaws in a main character.
- D. explain the relationship between a main character and her father.

Choice A is the best answer. Emma Woodhouse's life and family are discussed, including the marriage of her governess Miss Taylor who then moves out of Emma's home. In sentence 1 of paragraph 7, Emma wonders how she is to "bear the change" of Miss Taylor's departure, which indicates its significance.

Question Difficulty: Medium

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Next: Question 2 >

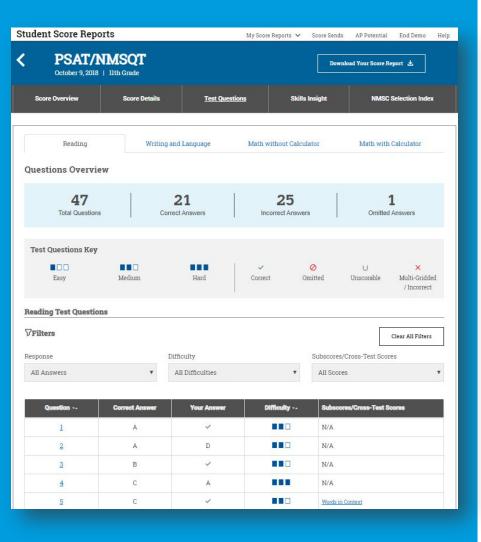
What Can I Learn from My Answers?

See the actual questions, answer choices, and the answer selected.

Look at the online score report and consider the following:

- 1. Which questions were answered incorrectly?
- 2. What is the correct answer and the answer explanation?
- 3. Why was the error made?
- 4. Which answer explanations need additional explanation from your teacher?





What Can I Learn from My Answers? (cont.)

Check the level of difficulty of each question and the related subscores and cross-test scores.

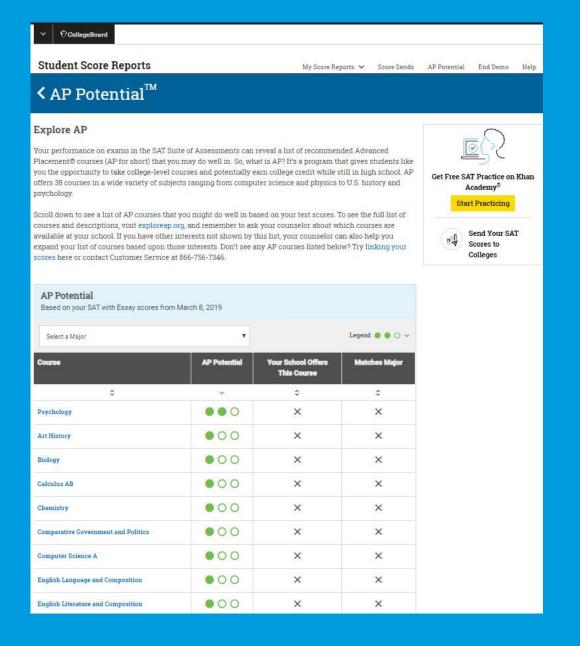
Look at the types of questions answered incorrectly and skipped and consider the following:

- Identify the level of difficulty. How many questions did I miss at each level?
- Was I more likely to skip questions associated with any subscore or cross-test score?
- What inferences can I make about areas for improvement based on the types of questions I missed and skipped?

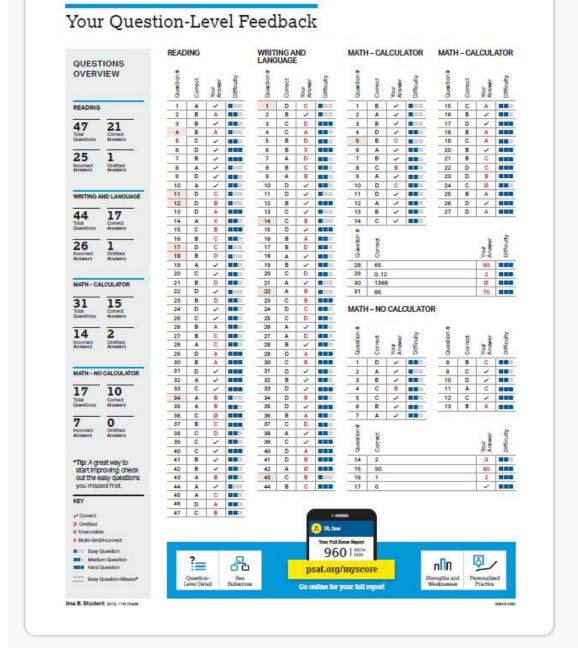
What Is AP Potential⁻?

AP Potential uses scores from the PSAT/NMSQT® to provide predictions for 21 AP® Exams.

College Board research shows that students who score a 3 or higher on an AP Exam typically experience greater academic success in college and are more likely to earn a college degree on time than non-AP students.



What Is My Question-Level Feedback?

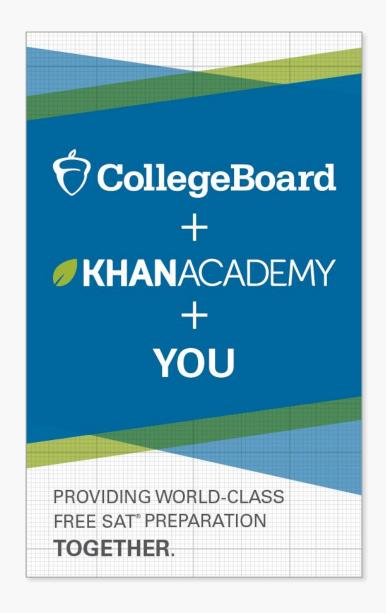


What Are My Next Steps?

- Continue to take challenging courses in high school
- Link scores with Khan Academy[®]
- Set up a practice plan and stick to it
- Register for the SAT[®]
- Utilize other resources to research and prepare for college

Official SAT® Practice with Khan Academy®— It's FREE!

- Go to <u>satpractice.org</u> and create a free account.
- Get personalized recommendations. Link your Khan Academy account to your College Board account to import past SAT Suite results or take diagnostic quizzes to get personalized recommendations.
- Create a study plan. Select a test date and set up a practice schedule.



Watch a video introducing Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy



How Can I Practice with Khan Academy®?

- Thousands of practice questions and videos covering every SAT_® concept
- Eight official, full-length SAT practice tests with more to come
- Personalized recommendations based on each student's strengths and weaknesses
- Tailored practice schedule mapping out each students' path to test day
- SAT tips and strategies, sharing information about each part of the test

What Steps Will I Follow to Link My College Board Account to Khan Academy®?



Step 1

Log in or create a Khan Academy account.

Step 2

When prompted, agree to link your Khan Academy and College Board accounts. You will then be directed to <u>collegeboard.org</u>.

Step 3

Sign in or create a College Board account.

Step 4

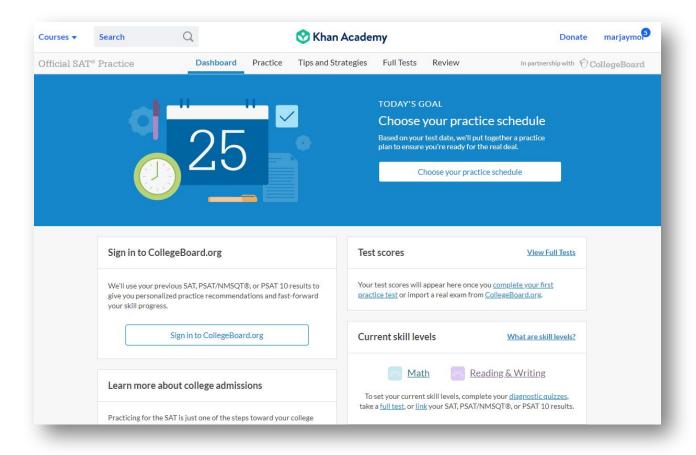
When prompted, hit "Send" to authorize the account linking.

Step 5

Start practicing on Official SAT® Practice on Khan Academy!

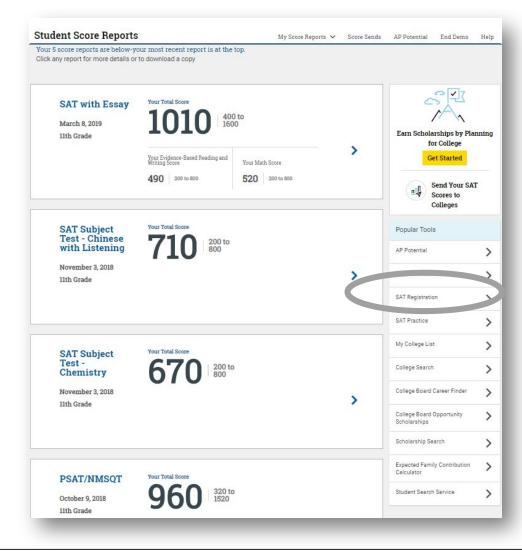
- After successfully logging in to your College Board account, you will be asked to authorize the account linking.
- After clicking "Send," you will be redirected to SAT® Practice on the Khan Academy site.
- You can remove the link at any time by clicking on "Revoke," which is found in your College Board account settings.

How Can I Link My College Board and Khan Academy_® Accounts?



- SAT Registration link from Popular Tools menu
- sat.org/register

How Do I Register for the SAT®?



What Additional Resources Will Help Me Prepare

for My Future?

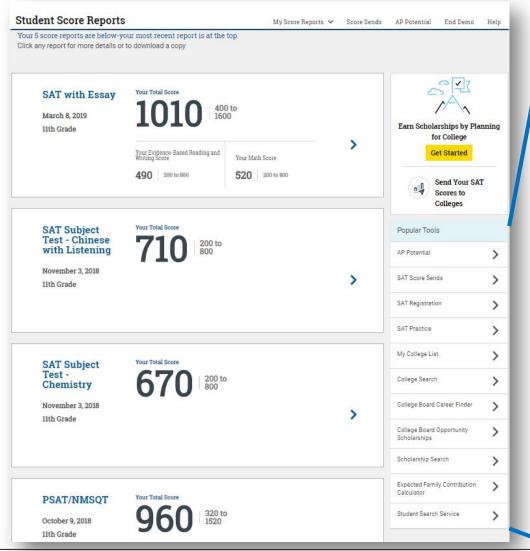
BigFuture™

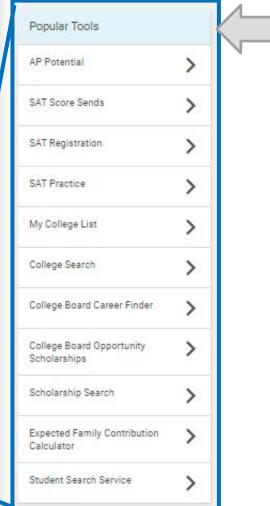
- College Action Plan
- College Search
- Scholarships
- ■Financial Aid

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Career Finder

Student Search Service®

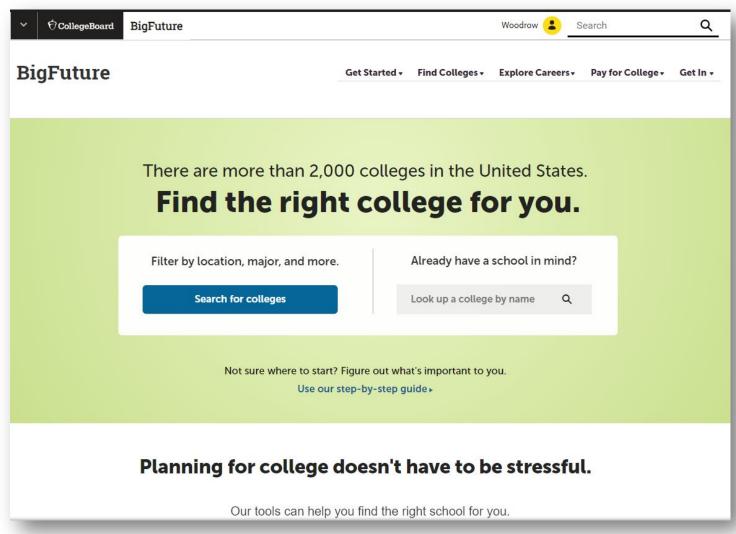




BigFuture™— Search Colleges, Scholarships,

and Careers

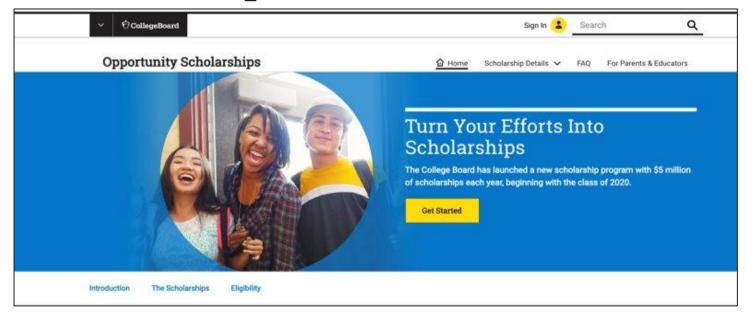
- Search for colleges.
- Watch videos from real students.
- Hear from education professionals.
- Learn about different colleges.
- Get help paying for college.
- Build a personalized plan for getting into college.



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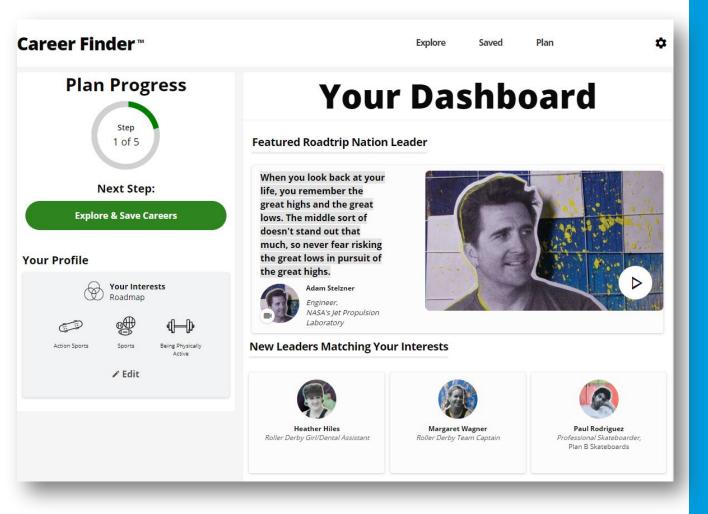
- Scholarship details
- Official rules
- FAQs
- Tips for parents and educators
- Downloadable resources

College Board Opportunity Scholarships



Students log in using their College Board account or create a College Board account if they don't have one.

Career Finder



Roadtrip Nation and College Board have partnered to help students connect with careers.

- Choose your core interests.
- Watch videos of leaders who share your interests.
- Learn about majors and careers that align to your interests.
- See examples of leaders who followed a similar path.

Studentsearch.collegeboard.org

Connects students with information about educational and financial aid opportunities.

Student Search Service®

- Participate voluntarily.
- Connect with more than 1,200 colleges, universities, scholarship programs, and educational organizations.
- Share your interests to find your college match.
- Opt in when you take an assessment in the SAT® Suite or at studentsearch.collegeboard.org:
 - Participating organizations can then search for groups of students who may be a good fit.
 - Your privacy is our priority. The College Board never shares information on disabilities, parental education, self-reported parental income, Social Security numbers, phone numbers, or actual test scores through Student Search Service. You can opt out any time.

Questions?

