

The PSAT/NMSQT Score Report

A Case Study: Sample PSAT/NMSQT Score Report

Take a look at the sample score report below and on the next page. Use the corresponding information to help you interpret the PSAT/NMSQT score report.

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Name: **Parker Pupil**
 Grade: **11**
 Test administration: **PSAT/NMSQT Fall 2023**
 Tested on: **Oct. 10, 2023**
 Record Locator: **4561264**
 School Code (AI/CEE): **123456**

Your Score Report

PSAT/NMSQT Scores

TOTAL SCORE
1120 | 33rd - 75th*
 Score Range: 100-1170
 Average Score (all testees): 1100

SECTION SCORES

Reading and Writing
620 | 15th - 60th*
 Your Score Range: 590-650
 Average Score (all testees): 600

Math
500 | 15th - 70th*
 Your Score Range: 520-540
 Average Score (all testees): 530

* Percentiles represent the percent of 11th grade test takers from the past 3 years who scored the same as or below you.
 Score range: This is the range of scores you could possibly get if you took the PSAT/NMSQT multiple times on different days.

Knowledge and Skills

View your performance across the 8 content domains measured on the PSAT/NMSQT.

Reading and Writing	Math
Information and Ideas (26% of test section, 12-14 questions)	Algebra (35% of test section, 13-15 questions)
Craft and Structure (28% of test section, 9-15 questions)	Advanced Math (32.5% of test section, 12-14 questions)
Expression of Ideas (20% of test section, 8-12 questions)	Problem Solving & Data Analysis (20% of test section, 7-9 questions)
Standard English Conventions (26% of test section, 11-15 questions)	Geometry & Trigonometry (12.5% of test section, 4-6 questions)

NMSC SELECTION INDEX SCORE
174 | 25th - 228th

You meet entry requirements for the National Merit Scholarship Program. Look on page 2 of this report for more information.

Snapshot of Growing Careers in Michigan


The PSAT/NMSQT can help you think about different paths to take after high school. Exploring this sample of growing careers in your state is one way to start. For personalized career options that match your interests and skills, including what's measured on the PSAT/NMSQT, go to satsuite.org/whatsnext.

INTEREST AREA*	CAREER EXAMPLES	MEDIAN YEARLY INCOME IN MI	NUMBER OF JOBS IN MI**	JOB GROWTH IN MI**	MOST COMMON EDUCATION LEVEL
Doers	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	\$59,000	25,600	+10%	Certificate
Persuaders	Wind Energy Operations Managers	\$63,000	24,300	+10%	Associate degree
Creators	Graphic Designers	\$46,000	8,900	+9%	Bachelor's degree
Helpers	Critical Care Nurses	\$77,000	107,000	+3%	Bachelor's degree
Thinkers	Mechanical Engineers	\$92,000	33,900	+3%	Bachelor's degree
Organizers	Treasurers and Financial Controllers	\$124,000	21,100	+12%	Bachelor's degree

* For more information about career insights, including interest areas, visit satsuite.org/whatsnext.
 **Number of reflects the expected number of new job openings in 2027. Percentage reflects the expected growth in new job openings between 2022 and 2027. Data source: Lightcast.io

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- \$4 billion in scholarship opportunities
- Key SAT skills practice on Khan Academy


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What are Parker's scores?

Parker's Reading and Writing score is 620, and his Math score is 500, for a total score of 1120. By reviewing his performance on the content domains in each subject, Parker can see where his knowledge and skills are already strong and identify areas where he can improve.

What are Parker's score percentiles?

Since Parker is in the eleventh grade, the percentiles compare his scores with those of all eleventh graders worldwide. Parker scored as well or better in Reading and Writing than 60% of a globally representative group of eleventh-grade students. In Math, he scored as well or better than 70% of a globally representative group of juniors. Putting both scores together, Parker scored as well or better than 75% of students in his grade on the PSAT/NMSQT as a whole.

What can Parker learn from this career snapshot?

Since he lives in the U.S., Parker's score report includes Career Insights, helpful information about growing careers in his state. Parker can review the median yearly income of each career, the expected growth rate for new job openings in his state over the next five years, and the most common education level for people in that career. The list might include a career Parker is curious about—or maybe none of the options feel like a great fit. It's okay! The goal is to just start thinking about potential career paths. This snapshot does not currently reflect Parker's performance on the PSAT/NMSQT. However, if Parker is thinking about different paths to take after high school, he can explore personalized options that match his interests and skills at satsuite.org/whatsnext.

Will Parker be able to enter the National Merit Scholarship Program?

Parker has an NMSC Selection Index score of 174 (on a scale of 48-228), which was determined by first doubling his Reading and Writing section score (620) and adding that value to his Math section score (500). The sum of those two numbers divided by 10 is his Selection Index score. NMSC uses the Selection Index score to determine which students will receive recognition in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

If an asterisk had appeared next to Parker's score, it would mean he did not meet entry requirements for the program or his score was provided for guidance purposes only and would not be considered in the National Merit Scholarship Program. In the sample score report, Parker meets entry requirements and will be recognized if his score places him among the 50,000 high scorers. For entry requirements and information on the steps in the competition, see the *2023 PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide* or visit www.nationalmerit.org.

How can Parker learn more about his scores?

If he's under age 13, Parker can talk to his school counselor to see his full score report, discuss how to prepare for the SAT, and learn his potential for AP coursework. If Parker is age 13 or older, he can also choose to visit psat.org/myscore to personally find out this information.

How can Parker measure his progress?

In the spring, Parker can take the SAT to measure the progress he's made since he took the PSAT/NMSQT. He can continue to take advantage of practice resources by visiting sat.org/digital-practice.

NMSC Selection Index Score Details

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NMSC SELECTION INDEX SCORE

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SELECTION INDEX SCORE CALCULATION

Your Reading & Writing Score	Your Math Score
2 (620)	+ 500

10	
= 174	

NMSC® uses a Selection Index score calculated from PSAT/NMSQT section scores as an initial screen of students who enter its scholarship programs. To calculate the Selection Index score, multiply the Reading and Writing section score by 2, add the Math section score, and divide the sum by 10.

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

You meet entry requirements for the 2025 National Merit Scholarship Program and your Selection Index score will be considered among 1.3 million program entrants.

If your Selection Index score places you among the 50,000 high scorers who qualify for National Merit Scholarship Program recognition, you will be notified next September when qualifying Selection Index scores will be made available.

ENTRY REQUIREMENT QUESTIONS

Information you provided on test day:

Are you enrolled as a high school student (traditional or homeschooled)?
Yes

When will you complete or leave high school and enroll full-time in college?
2025

How many total years will you spend in grades 9–12?
4

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National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) conducts the National Merit® Scholarship Program, an academic competition for recognition and college scholarships.

To designate students who qualify for recognition in its 2025 competition, NMSC will consider the 2023 PSAT/NMSQT® Selection Index scores of some 1.3 million test takers (usually high school juniors) who meet program entry requirements. For more information, please visit: www.nationalmerit.org.

If any of your responses to NMSC's "Entry Requirement Questions" are inaccurate or there has been a change in plans that may affect program entry, write immediately to:

National Merit Scholarship Corporation
Attn: Scholarship Administration
1560 Sherman Avenue, Suite 200
Evanston, IL 60201-4897

Include your name, home address, and Record Locator number along with your high school name, address, and six-digit code number. If you have any questions, please contact NMSC at (847) 866-5100.

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