

HOME EDUCATING THE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT SEMINAR UPDATES

College Readiness Testing has changed and adapted to digital platforms and changing college application requirements in the last couple of years. Here are some changes that are different from what is recorded on the on-demand video. All other information is still current for high school and college planning.

PSAT: All digital — Location is usually a local private or public school – see my blog for the CollegeBoard link to those in your area offering it to homeschool students: <https://ccctoolbox.com/2023/05/05/digital-psat-8-9-and-psat-nmsqt-fall-2023/>

SAT: All digital – Location is chosen when your student registers for the test. The earlier you register, the better location choices you have available.

Bluebook is the digital platform used by CollegeBoard.org for PSAT and SAT:

<https://bluebook.collegeboard.org/students>

Students can practice on the platform before test day.

ACT: Digital and Paper (moving towards digital) – Location is chosen when your student registers for the test.

Accommodations: Now available for home school students. See my testing blog for how to submit those documents for SAT and ACT.

<https://ccctoolbox.com/2022/10/19/college-readiness-tests-and-test-prep/>

Test-Optional: Schools are moving away from test optional. I have seen more and more colleges moving to Test-Required. Begin prep in 9th or 10th grade for best results. See the blog above for best resources for test prep.

TSIA2/Accuplacer: It depends on the community college whether you can take the English/Writing/Essay separate from the Math. Some will allow you to only sign up for the ELAR first, and then return later for the Math separately. If a student signs up to take all three, it could last all day. I recommend taking the ELAR portion, then returning a couple days later to take the math (if the particular school allows it).