



# Sauganash Elementary School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to share with you that Sauganash School is participating in the PSAT 8/9 Pilot Program for 8th Grade students this year.

The PSAT 8/9 is the first exam in the College Board's SAT Suite of Assessments. The PSAT 8/9 will provide students with early feedback on the skills and knowledge essential for college and career success. The PSAT 8/9 has three areas of focus: Reading, Writing, and Mathematics. Since the purpose of the PSAT 8/9 is to identify the areas students need to focus on and set a starting point for progress, your child doesn't have to do anything special to prepare for the test.

The PSAT 8/9 will be administered on Tuesday, November 29, 2022, in the morning at Sauganash School. Please see the PSAT 8/9 information below. If you have any additional questions or concerns about the PSAT 8/9 Pilot, please contact Sean Kennedy at [sekennedy@cps.edu](mailto:sekennedy@cps.edu).

Thank you for your continued partnership in your student's success.

Sincerely,

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## PSAT 8/9 Information

### What is the PSAT 8/9?

The PSAT 8/9 is an assessment given to 8th and 9th graders that is closely aligned to the **SAT**, **PSAT/NMSQT**, and the **PSAT 10**. It consists of questions in Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and in Math.

### Why Your Child Should Take the PSAT 8/9

The PSAT 8/9 gives you, your child, and their teachers' valuable information about your child's academic strengths and weaknesses while there's still plenty of time for them to improve their skills. Once your child takes the PSAT 8/9, their score report will pinpoint exactly what they need to work on to graduate from high school and be ready for college.

The PSAT 8/9 score report also includes a section called AP Potential, which lets your child know which Advanced Placement® (AP) courses they might be ready to take.

### When does the PSAT 8/9 take place?

The CPS PSAT 8/9 Pilot testing window is November 28th - December 9th, 2022. Students at schools with 9 - 12 grades may have participated on October 12th, 2022- National P/SAT Day.

### How long will the assessment take? And how many questions are there?

The actual testing time is approximately 3 hours. There are 42 reading questions, 40 writing and language questions, and 38 math questions. Students who are approved to receive *time and one-half* will have approximately 4 hours to complete the exam.

**Additional Resources:** <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/psat-8-9>



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