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# PSAT/NMSQT

- **ABOUT THE PSAT**

- The Preliminary SAT, also known as the PSAT/NMSQT® (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test), is a practice version of the SAT exam. You can only take the PSAT once per year, and many students take the test in both 10th and 11th grade. If you earn a high score on the PSAT your junior year, you could qualify to receive a National Merit Scholarship—\$180 million dollars in merit scholarships are awarded to students each year. The PSAT is 2 hours and 45 minutes long and tests your skills in reading, writing, and math. Unlike the SAT, the highest score possible on the PSAT is 1520.
- PSAT/NMSQT is offered every year during the month of October.

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## JUNIORS:

Ector County Independent School District - 1266 Test Taker(s)

## PSAT/NMSQT October 2019, 11th grade - Scores & Benchmarks

### Benchmarks by Schools

Group	Number of Test Takers	Met Both Benchmarks	Met No Benchmarks	ERW Benchmark (460)			Math Benchmark (510)		
District	1,266	12% Met Both	60% Met None	Met 38%	Approaching 12%	Strengthen Skills 50%	Met 13%	Approaching 13%	Strengthen Skills 74%
State	217,987	31% Met Both	41% Met None	Met 57%	Approaching 10%	Strengthen Skills 33%	Met 32%	Approaching 13%	Strengthen Skills 55%
Total Group	1,640,936	41% Met Both	31% Met None	Met 67%	Approaching 8%	Strengthen Skills 25%	Met 42%	Approaching 12%	Strengthen Skills 46%

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## SOPHOMORES:

Ector County Independent School District - 1756 Test Taker(s)

### PSAT/NMSQT October 2019, 10th grade - Scores & Benchmarks

#### Benchmarks by Schools

Group	Number of Test Takers	Met Both Benchmarks	Met No Benchmarks	ERW Benchmark (430)			Math Benchmark (480)		
District	1,756	11% Met Both	68% Met None	Met 31%	Approaching 8%	Strengthen Skills 62%	Met 13%	Approaching 15%	Strengthen Skills 72%
State	251,145	31% Met Both	43% Met None	Met 55%	Approaching 7%	Strengthen Skills 38%	Met 34%	Approaching 17%	Strengthen Skills 49%
Total Group	1,771,623	37% Met Both	36% Met None	Met 62%	Approaching 6%	Strengthen Skills 32%	Met 39%	Approaching 16%	Strengthen Skills 45%

# PSAT/NMSQT DATA

	Juniors Tested	% Met Both Benchmark	Sophomores Tested	% Met Both Benchmarks
2015	1548	15%	1854	13%
2016	1439	16%	1865	19%
2017	1618	16%	1901	14%
2018	1416	13%	1825	14%
2019	1266	12%	1756	11%

# PLAN FOR IMPROVING PSAT/SAT

- PSAT/SAT summer boot camp
- PSAT school day boot camp
- 12 week lesson plans developed by college board (integrated into English/Math classes)
- Offer SAT prep class at: Odessa High, Permian High, New Tech Odessa (two classes offered at each school)
- PSAT/SAT launch class to support sophomore students that scored well on PSAT (beginning spring 2020)
- PSAT Parent celebrations and meetings
- Review PSAT scores with students in English and Math classes