



TEDA
International School
Tianjin • China

College Advising Information Session

AGENDA

- University Application Components
- TIS High School Curriculum Overview
- TIS High School Transcript
- College Board Tests (PSAT/ SAT / AP)
- Enriched Curricular Activities
- College Planning Resource
- College Planning Timeline

Application Components

- ❖ *TIS High School Transcript (By TEDA International School)*
- ❖ **Standardized Tests**
 - I. TOEFL or IELTS
 - II. SAT or ACT
 - III. Advanced Placement (AP)
- ❖ **Personal Statement/College Essay**
- ❖ *Letters of Recommendation (By TEDA International School)*
- ❖ **Supplementary Documents (E.g., Financial Statements)**
- ❖ **Application Fee**

TIS High School Graduation Requirement

- 4 credits of English
- 3 credits of Math
- 4 credits of Science
- 4 credits of Social Studies
- 8 credits of Electives
 - 1 credit of Language*
 - 1 credit of Art or Music*
- 40 hours of school community service

High School Courses

- **English**: English 9 – English 10 – American Lit. – British Lit. (AP English)
- **Math**: Geometry – Algebra II – Pre-Calculus/AP Precalculus – AP Calculus BC[^]
- **Science**: Biology – Chemistry – Physics/AP Physics 1 – Envi. Sic./AP Envi. Sci.
- **Social Studies**: World Hist 1 – World Hist 2 – Human Geo./AP Human Geo – Global Issue/AP Comparative Government and Politics
- **AP Electives**: Biology/Chemistry, Computer Science (2), 2-D Art and Design, Drawing, Music Theory, Microeconomics/Macroeconomics, Statistics/Psychology
- **Non-AP Electives**: Art (3), Jazz Band, Languages Other Than English (3)

High School Transcript

1. **HS Transcript:** a copy of applicant's official record of grades and courses from time of entrance to the end of the latest semester in high school.
2. **TIS Grading Scale** for GPA Calculation: please see the handout (most colleges recalculate GPAs based on their own grading scales)
3. Information can be interpreted from the transcript:
 - ✓ Academic *progress* through the high school
 - ✓ The *rigorousness* of courses the applicant have taken at high school
 - ✓ Has applicant *continuously challenged* himself/herself in academics by fully taking advantage of the resources provided by the high school? (2 AP courses in grade 10; 3 AP courses in grade 11 and 4 AP courses in grade 12)

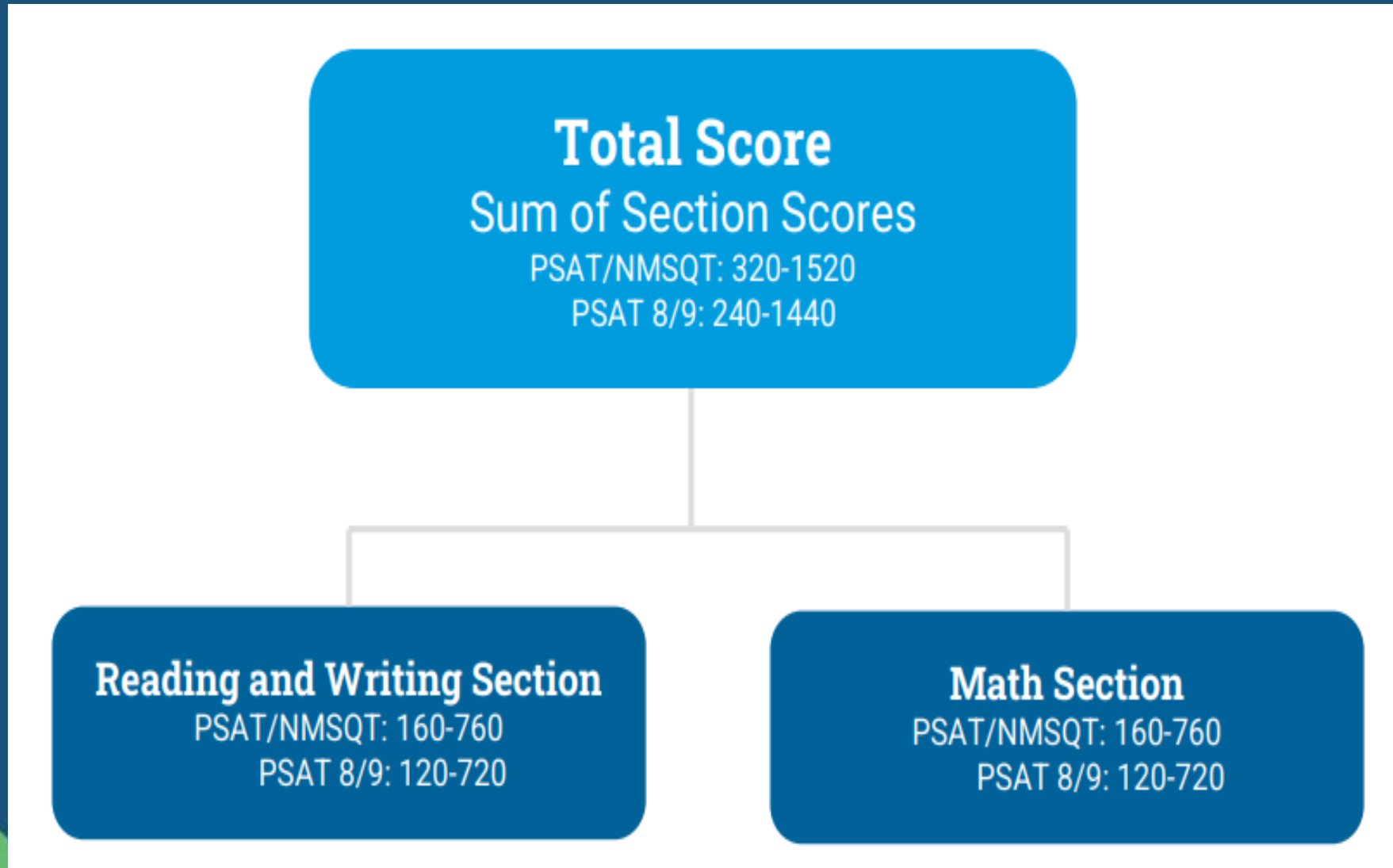
College Board Standardized Test

SAT Suite of Assessments:

- ✓ SAT test is recognized globally
- ✓ Sections: English Reading, Math, English Writing and Language Usage
- ✓ WE are an SAT test center (efforts and money saved)
- ✓ WE facilitate students' readiness in SAT through several PSAT testing opportunities.

College Board Standardized Test

Digital PSAT Overview



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Digital PSAT Overview

Knowledge and Skills Content Domains

Reading and Writing

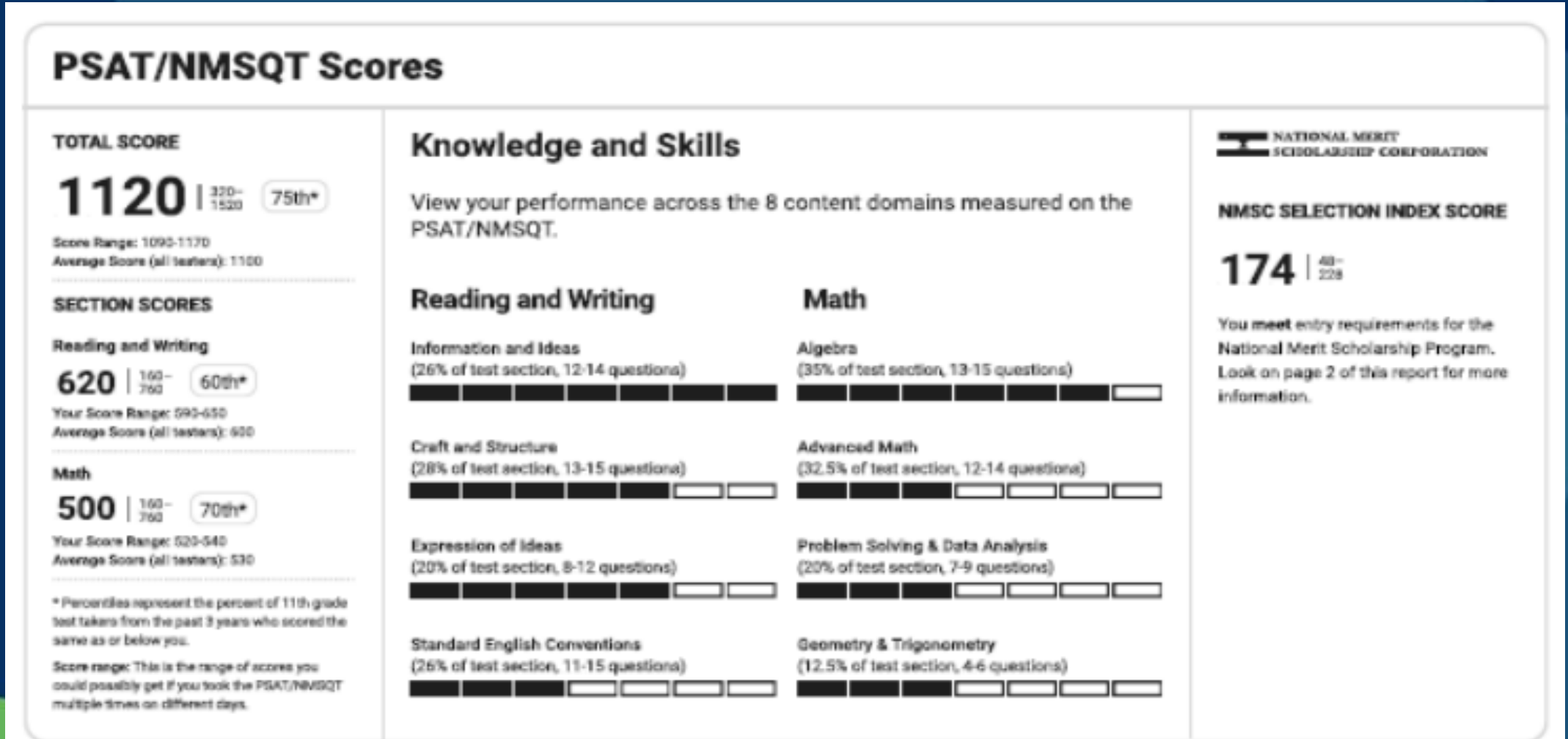
Information and Ideas
Craft and Structure
Explanation of Ideas
Standard English Conventions

Math

Algebra
Advanced Math
Problem Solving and Data Analysis
Geometry and Trigonometry

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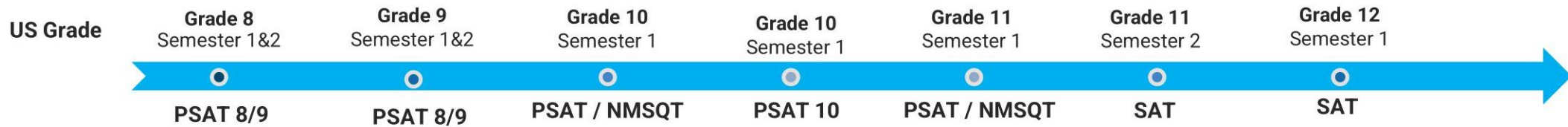
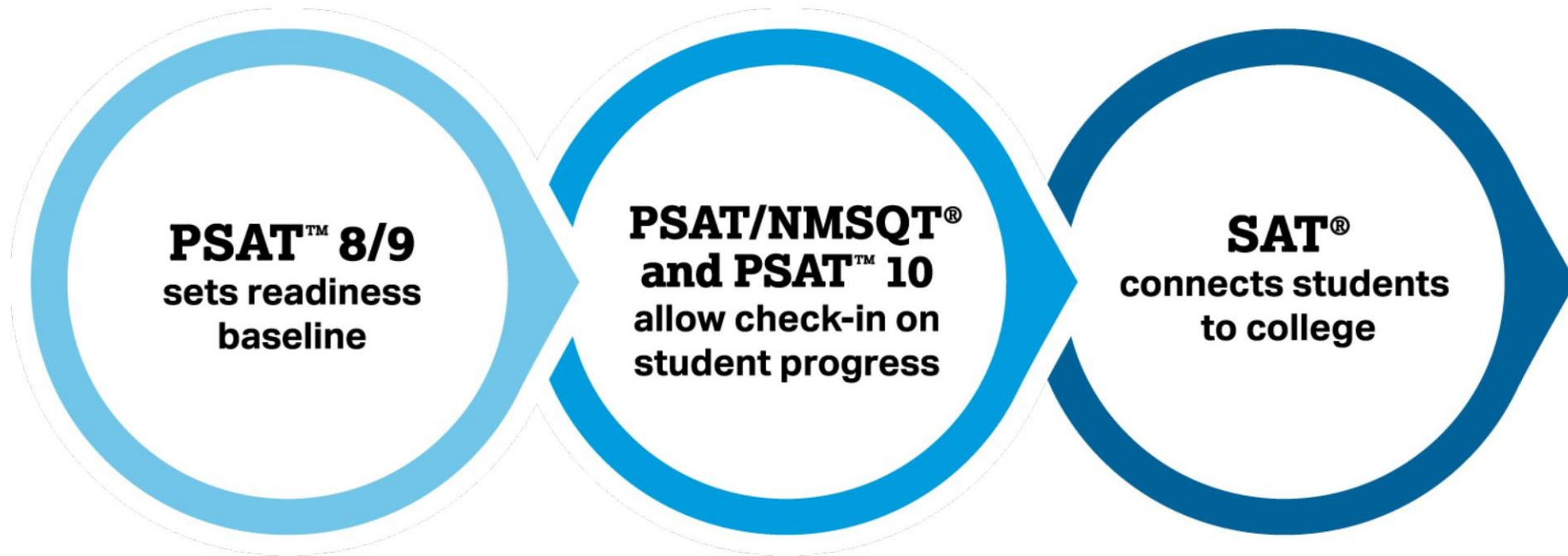
Understanding PSAT Paper Score Report



Understanding PSAT Online Score Report

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SAT Suite of Assessments Testing Timeline



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Digital SAT Suite of Assessments Calendar:

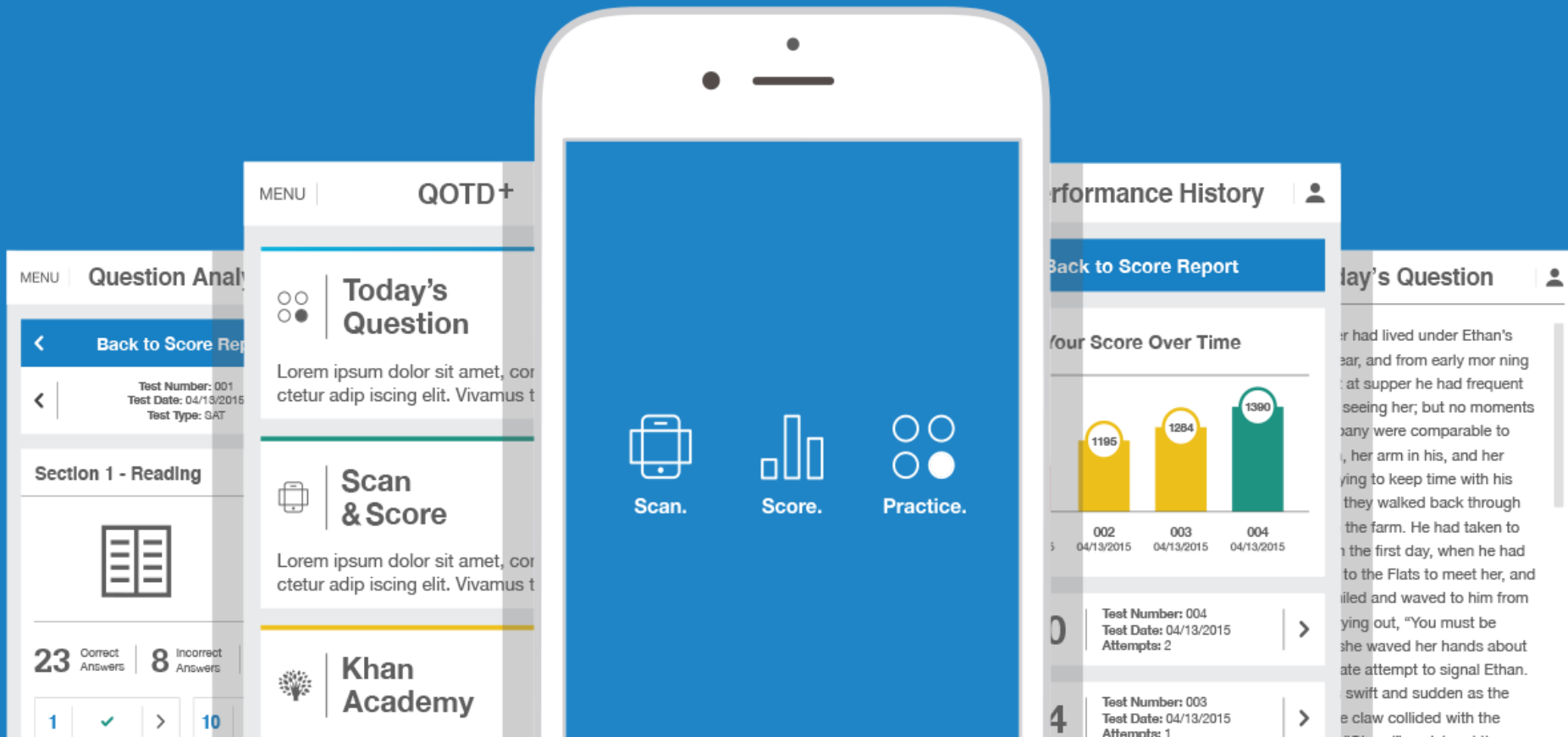
- ✓ Digital PSAT:
 - ❖ Semester One: October
 - ❖ Semester Two: March

- ✓ Digital SAT:
 - ❖ Semester One: August, October, November, December
 - ❖ Semester Two: March, May, June

Free Online Resource

Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy

How to Link College Board and Khan Academy Accounts



College Board Standardized Test

Advanced Placement (AP) Program:

- ✓ Highly demanding courses (college first-year level);
- ✓ Opening doors to universities worldwide
- ✓ Stand out at university admission
- ✓ Flexible courses on students' own choices
- ✓ TIS is authorized by the College Board to administrate
AP Exams

2023-2024 AP Course Offering

- AP English Literature and Composition
- AP Precalculus
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Physics 1
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Chemistry
- AP Human Geography
- AP Microeconomics
- AP Statistics
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP Computer Science A
- AP 2D Art and Design
- AP Drawing
- AP Music Theory
- AP Chinese Language and Culture

2024 AP Exam Schedule

Week 1	8 a.m. Local Time	12 p.m. Local Time
Monday, May 6, 2024	United States Gov. & Politics	<u>Chemistry</u>
Tuesday, May 7, 2024	<u>Human Geography</u> <u>Microeconomics</u>	<u>Statistics</u>
Wednesday, May 8, 2024	<u>English Literature and Composition</u>	Comparative Gov. & Politics <u>Computer Science A</u>
Thursday, May 9, 2024	<u>Chinese Language and Culture</u> <u>Environmental Science</u>	Psychology
Friday, May 10, 2024	European History United States History	Macroeconomics

Friday, May 10, 2024: AP Art and Design portfolios submission deadline

2024 AP Exam Schedule

Week 2	8 a.m. Local Time	12 p.m. Local Time	2 p.m. Local Time
Monday, May 13, 2024	Calculus AB <u>Calculus BC</u>	<u>Precalculus</u>	
Tuesday, May 14, 2024	English Language and Composition	Physics C: Mechanics	Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism
Wednesday, May 15, 2024	French World History: Modern	<u>Computer Science Principles</u> <u>Music Theory</u>	
Thursday, May 16, 2024	Spanish	Biology Japanese	
Friday, May 17, 2024	German <u>Physics 1: Algebra-Based</u>	Latin	

Enriched Curricular Activities

1. Leadership:

- TIS Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS)
- Student Government
- Model United Nations (MUN)

2. School Community Service:

- Walkathon Fundraiser
- High School Service-Learning Club

3. Athletics:

- Volleyball Season
- Basketball Season
- Football Season

LEADERSHIP



**TIS Chapter of
National Honor Society
(NHS)**



**Model United Nations
(MUN)**



SCHOOL COMMUNITY SERVICE



ATHLETIC PROGRAM



HS Volleyball Season: August to October

- Athletic Skills
- Teamwork Spirit

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Organizations





HS Basketball Season:
November to January/February

HS Football Season:
February to April



College Planning Resource

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College Board BigFuture: Plan for College

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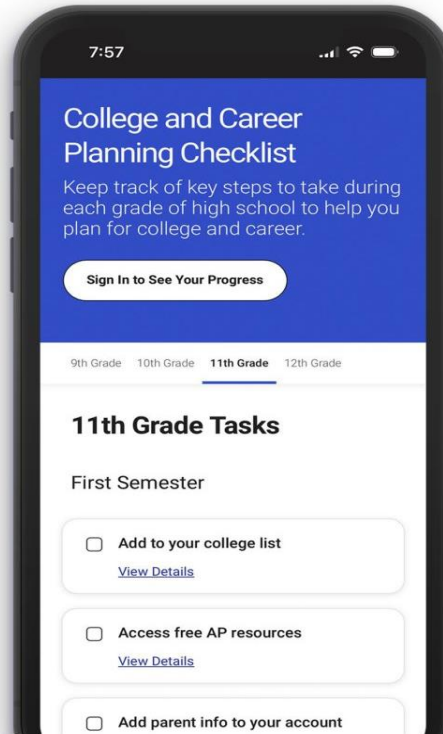


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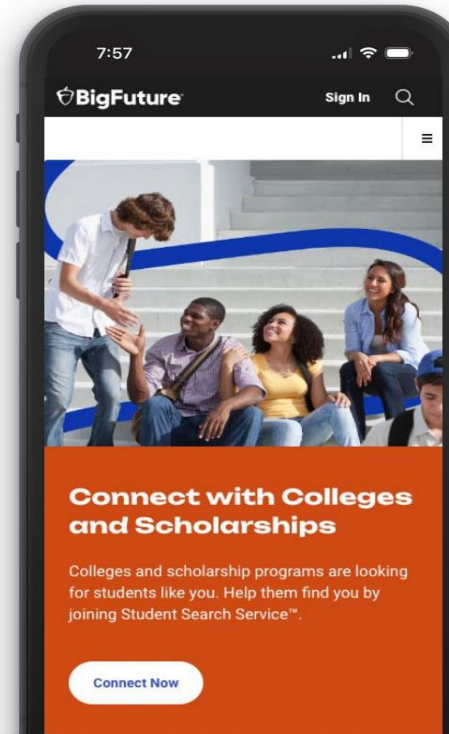
Personalized Planning Checklist

Steps that all students can take each year, beginning in 9th grade



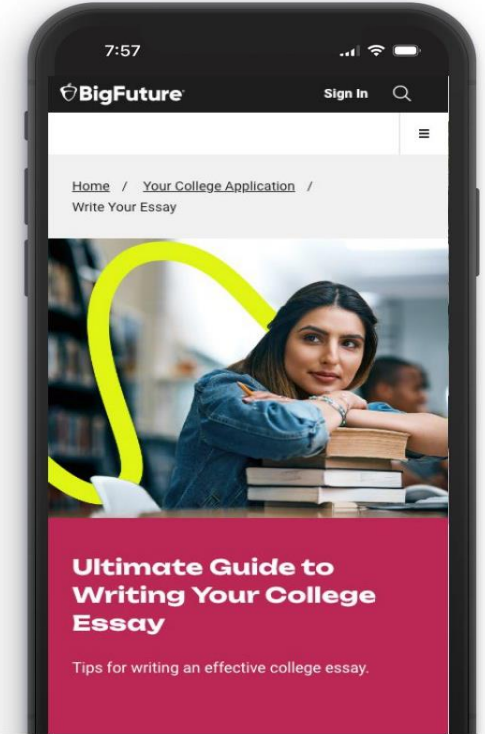
Student Search Service

29% more admission offers for Search students compared to similar students who do not join



Informative Videos and Articles

Resources from partners including JED Foundation, Khan Academy®, and RoadTrip Nation



College Planning Timeline

Gr. 9

GPA
TOEFL/IELTS Prep.
Activities
PSAT 8/9
AP Exam (if applicable)

Gr. 10

GPA
TOEFL/IELTS
PSAT/NMSQT
PSAT 10
SAT Preparation
AP Exams
Activities

Gr. 11

GPA
PSAT/NMSQT
SAT
AP Exams
Activities
TOEFL/IELTS (if applicable)

Gr. 12

GPA
SAT
College Application
AP Exams

Thank you