

# **SAT Results**

**for**

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# SAT Facts

- ❑ The SAT® (formerly known as the SAT® I: Reasoning Test), owned by College Board, assesses student reasoning based on knowledge and skills developed by the students in their course work.
- ❑ The test changed in March 2005. While still a test of developed reasoning and thinking skills, the revised test is considered more closely aligned with current high school curricula.
  - Total maximum score used to be 1600; now 2400

- The SAT test is three hours and 45 minutes long. It consists of 10 separately timed sections:
  - Three sections test critical reading (70 minutes total)
  - Three sections test mathematics (70 minutes total)
  - Three sections test writing (60 minutes total)
  - One variable (unscored) section tests critical reading, mathematics, or writing (25 minutes total)
  - Includes three kinds of questions:
    - Multiple-choice questions
    - Student-produced responses (mathematics only)
    - Essay question

# Two Measures of Performance: The SAT Benchmark and Mean Scores

- The **SAT College and Career Readiness Benchmark** represents the level of academic preparedness associated with a high likelihood of college success and completion.
- The SAT Benchmark is a tool for measuring the college and career readiness of groups of students. It was developed to evaluate the effectiveness of academic programs in order to better prepare students for success in college and beyond.
- The Benchmark score of **1550** (Critical Reading, Mathematics and Writing scores combined) indicates a **65 percent likelihood** of achieving a B- average or higher during the first year of college, which in turn is indicative of a high likelihood of college success and completion.

## SAT College and Career Readiness Benchmark = 1550

	Port Jefferson	NYS	National
Benchmark Score	1639	1460	1500

# SAT Mean Scores - 2011

CRITICAL READING	Port Jefferson	NYS	National
	548	485	497

MATH	Port Jefferson	NYS	National
	547	499	514

WRITING	Port Jefferson	NYS	National
	544	476	489

# QUESTIONS?

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