USG Admission Requirements and the New SAT (abridged)

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Overview

BOR Minimums by Sector

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Decisions:
• What are the appropriate test score minimums for students taking the new SAT?
• How will the new SAT impact the Freshman Index calculations?
• How will the new SAT impact the EPI and MPI calculations?

Principles:
Base decisions on data and hold students harmless during the transition to the new SAT.
New vs Old SAT Score Structure

Old SAT

- Math Section (200-800)
- Critical Reading Section (200-800)

New SAT

- Math Section (200-800)
- Math Test (10-40)
- Evidence-Based Reading & Writing Section (200-800)
  - Reading Test (10-40)
  - Writing & Language Test (10-40)
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Critical Reading

Old SAT

× Establishing an ERW score requirement would equate to introducing a new Writing score requirement.

× There is no concordance between the old Critical Reading section and the new ERW section.

New SAT

✓ There is concordance between the old CR section and the new Reading test.
Options

Based on some initial analysis completed by RPA, the following options for setting scores for the new SAT were considered:

1. ERW section minimum at equivalent of 860 on old SAT (Critical Reading (R) + Writing (W))
2. Equivalent of old SAT 430 CR **AND** old SAT 430 W
3. Equivalent of old SAT 430 CR **OR** 430 W
4. Equivalent of old SAT 430 CR

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BOR Minimum SAT Score Requirements

The following will remain in effect through **Summer 2020**.

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**Fall 2020 and Beyond** - The USO will study relationship between new SAT scores and first year student success. Changes to the test score minimums may be made once a complete class of new SAT test-takers has completed their first year and the data has been reviewed.
BOR Minimums for Dual Enrollment/MOWR

The current BOR DE requirement of 970 Total (CR + M) will remain in effect through Summer 2020.

For new SAT test-takers:

• The Reading test score is converted to an old SAT Critical Reading section score.
• The Math test score* is converted to an old SAT Math section score.

The Critical Reading section score and the Math section score are then added together and the resulting score must meet the 970 minimum.

Old SAT Total ≠ New SAT Total

* Or equivalent new SAT Math section score.
Test Scores and Data Collection

• **ALL** new SAT scores (and ACT scores) must be loaded into Banner, including those not used in admission decisions.

• The codes provided in the **DED** must be used.

• Institutions may wish to store converted scores in Banner.
  • Store the original raw scores with the accurate Test Code, Test Date, and Test Score.
  • Retain the accurate test date with the converted scores.
New SAT Resources

In addition to the materials provided by the College Board, we have provided the following on the SAT/ACT Resource Page:

- USG New SAT Implementation Guidelines
- Implementation FAQs

The Board has approved the test score policy changes.

Updates to the ASAH are coming soon.

ITS can provide assistance with automating the score conversions in Banner.
Informing Students, Parents, and Counselors

✓ Provide new SAT System minimums on USG website:
  
  **Students** - [www.usg.edu/student_affairs/students/admissions_enrollment](http://www.usg.edu/student_affairs/students/admissions_enrollment)
  
  **Counselors** - [www.usg.edu/student_affairs/high_school/admissions_enrollment](http://www.usg.edu/student_affairs/high_school/admissions_enrollment)

✓ Provide institution-specific FR requirements on USG website (in progress).

✓ Provide institution-specific DE/MOWR requirements on the USG website.

✓ Collaborate with Georgia Department of Education to share information with high school counselors (in progress).

• Present at Georgia School Counselors Association annual conference.

• Participate in state-wide high school counselor workshops.

✓ Collaborate with Georgia Student Finance Commission to make USG admission information available from the GAfutures website.

✓ Continue to support and provide guidance to the institution admission offices.
Questions?

Thank you!