

BOARD BRIEF

Date: March 15, 2024

BOARD INFORMATION: X

MEETING PREPARATION:

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TO: The Honorable Michelle Rief, Chair, and
Members of the Alexandria City School Board

TOPIC: Spring School Day SAT Testing at Alexandria City High School

ACPS 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:

Goal 2: Instructional Excellence

Goal 3: Student Accessibility and Support

SY 2023-2024 FOCUS AREA:

Academic Achievement

Tier 1 Instruction: Alignment, Rigor, Engagement

The High School Project

Student Supports

CASEL Social Emotional Learning Competencies

Student Connection and Attendance

Staff Supports

FY 2024 BUDGET PRIORITY:

Full Implementation of Students with Disabilities Action Plan

Reduce Class Sizes

Target Chronic Absenteeism

Increase Support for Social and Emotional Learning

SUMMARY:

This brief updates the School Board about the school day Spring Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) testing schedule at Alexandria City High School (ACHS) on April 16, 2024. Each year, ACHS administers the SAT. The SAT is a multiple-choice, computer-based test created and administered by the College Board.

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DETAILS:

The SAT will take place at ACHS based upon the following details:

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| April 16, 2024 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● SAT Exam for grade 11 students will take place at the King Street Campus.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ This will give students a score for the early college application process.● On this day, students taking the test will be released upon completion, which will be approximately 1:15 p.m. Students with extra time accommodations will be released upon completion. Transportation will be provided at 1:15 p.m. and 3:15 p.m.● Students who are not testing at the King Street Campus will not report to school and will work on assignments posted in Canvas.● Students who are not testing at the Satellite and Chance for Change Campuses will report to school as usual.● Students at Minnie Howard Campus will report to school as usual.● Breakfast and lunch will be served. |
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BACKGROUND:

Each school year, students in grades 9-12 have the opportunity to participate in school-day testing for the PSAT/SAT. The dates are selected in collaboration with the College Board and the Titan Testing Team. Testing usually occurs in October and April. School testing affords Titans greater access to assessments that can be highlighted on college resumes, allows students to qualify for National Merit Scholarships, and have SAT scores for the early college application process. There are no fees to students for these assessments.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends that the School Board review the information in this board brief and the school day Spring SAT testing schedule at Alexandria City High School on April 16, 2024.

IMPACT:

High School students will be able to participate in the SAT during the school day on April 16, 2024.

REFERENCES:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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