



Colorado SAT Test Day: What You Need to Know



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What to bring

- Two No. 2 pencils with erasers
- An approved calculator (graphing, scientific, or four-function)
- A valid photo ID may be required for some students

Nice to have

- A watch (without an audible alarm)
- Extra batteries and backup equipment—you'll have to ask for permission to access them. They cannot be on your desk during the test.
- A bag or backpack
- A drink or snacks (for your break)
- Breakfast before you arrive

What NOT to bring

- **CELLPHONES** – You will be dismissed immediately and your scores will be canceled if you use your phone or if it makes a noise—even during breaks so it is best to turn your phone off or leave it in your locker during testing.
- Any devices, including smartwatches, that can be used to record, transmit, receive, or play back audio, photographic, text, or video content
- Tablets, laptops, notebooks, Google Glass, or any other personal computing devices
- iPods or other MP3 players
- Any texting device
- Cameras or any other photographic equipment
- Separate timers of any type
- Protractors, compasses, rulers
- Highlighters, colored pens, colored pencils
- Pamphlets or papers of any kind
- Dictionaries or other books—English learners may use an approved word-to-word glossary chosen from the College Board Approved list.
- Food or drinks (except for during breaks), unless approved by the College Board's Services for Students with Disabilities. [Learn more about testing with accommodations.](#)

On your desk:

During the test you will be allowed to have the following,

- Two No. 2 pencils with erasers
- An approved calculator
- Testing directions in native language (if needed)
- Word-to-word bilingual glossary (if needed)
- A valid photo ID may be required for some students

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More about electronics and prohibited devices

You'll need to turn off all electronic devices during the test and even during breaks. This includes cellphones. Be sure to turn off your watch alarm, if you have one.

Why? Test centers are serious about security and quiet, so prohibited devices—which include cellphones, tablets, and MP3 players—must be left in your locker or check them in as directed by school staff. Better yet: Leave them at home.

The test administration staff is encouraged to collect and hold phones and other prohibited electronic devices during the test administration, including break periods, or to deny admission to anyone who is in possession of a prohibited electronic device.

If your device makes noise or you are seen using it at any time, including during breaks, you may be dismissed immediately, your scores can be canceled, and the device may be confiscated and its contents inspected. The College Board is not responsible for loss or damage to personal items, including electronic devices, while you are in the test center.

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