



Future of Testing in US

Rapidly changing landscape



Standardized tests

College Board reports that SAT submission dropped by 33% in 2020-2021

Over 1300 colleges in the US will be test optional in 2021-2022

College Board is phasing out SAT Subject tests

Many colleges were already test optional and more are going in that direction in the future

*If taking a test endangers your safety, don't take it

English Proficiency testing

- still required at many institutions- read the fine print for international students!
- most common: TOEFL iBT, IELTS, Duolingo English Test (DET), *TOEFL Essentials (brand new)
- purpose is to provide reassurance that you will be capable of thriving in an English speaking curriculum
- we aren't looking for a perfect score, we are trying to get an authentic sense of your ability in written and spoken English

The good news:

- Test scores will have less influence in the college admissions process
- The IB Diploma Program is an internationally recognized, robust curriculum that gives confidence you will be ready for college.
- Tests that can be taken from home, on your own computer are becoming more widely used and accepted.