

What families need to know about...

Assessment Preparation



Test-taking can be overwhelming for BCPS students and families. Use the curated resources below for suggestions on how to help your child become a confident and prepared test-taker. You can find the electronic version of this document on our Parent University website or by scanning the provided QR code.

BCPS Parent University Resources

Parent University In the Know: All Things SAT – Related!	Podcast
Parent University In the Know: How to ace AP exams	Podcast
Secondary Math Digital Resources	Digital Math Resources for Secondary Math: Includes links for MCAP and PSAT/SAT Resources, and BCPS Mathematics Courses
Test Taking Skills & Strategies	General Study Skills Information for Parents including Test Taking Skills and Strategies
Homework Study Skills Checklist	Includes two checklists – one for Homework and one for Study Skills
Elementary Language Arts Digital Resources	Digital Resources from BCPS English Language Arts curriculum
Elementary Math Digital Resources	Digital Resources from BCPS Elementary Math
Tutoring Resources	Includes suggestions for locating tutoring and resources for tutoring

Maryland State Department of Education Resources

Maryland Integrated Science Assessments (MISA)	Resources for Science MISA Grade 5, 8, and high school including practice tests and rubrics
Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) Mathematics	Resources for MCAP Math including practice tests and rubrics for grades 3-8, Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II
Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) English Language Arts and Literacy	Resources to help prepare for the MCAP English Language Arts and Literacy assessments for grades 3-8 and grade 10.
Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) Social Studies	Resources for MCAP Social Studies including practice tests and rubrics for American Government curriculum.



Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) Social Studies 8	Resources for MCAP Social Studies including practice tests and rubrics for Social Studies 8.
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College Board Resources

College Board SAT Suite of Assessments	SAT Prep resources from the College Board including free practice tests
Khan Academy	Khan Academy: Free Official Digital SAT Prep including practice questions, test taking strategies, lessons, and videos.

ACT Resources

Free ACT Test Prep	Free ACT Test Prep from ACT including free test guide
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Baltimore County Public Library Resources

Homework Help	Includes links to Brainfuse and Research Databases. You need a library card to access these resources.
Peterson's Test and Career Prep	Online practice tests and study materials for GED, SAT, ACT, Praxis, NCLEX, TOEFL, citizenship, postal or military exams, law enforcement, occupational tests, certification, and licensing tests and more. Library Card required

National PTA Resources

Information for Families About Annual State Tests	Information on state testing and resources on tips to support students during state assessments.
Tips for supporting students	Tips to help your child become a confident and prepared test-taker

Seal of Biliteracy Resources

Seal of Biliteracy	For students interested in recognition who have studied and attained proficiency in two or more languages by high school graduation. Contact your World Language teacher for information and tips.
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Other Resources

Be A Learning Hero	Find your state's practice test plus other ways to help your student feel confident for the test.
Family Guide to State Test Results	Information on how test scores are used
Community College of Baltimore County Placement Testing	The placement test for CCBC is used for course placement.
Standardized Test Prep: 5 Easy tips to prepare for testing season	Tips to help your child become a confident and prepared test-taker.

