

Stanford-10 Online Testing Parent Packet

Thank you for purchasing a Stanford-10 online test. Please read the entire Parent Packet for important information concerning your online test. If you have any questions or concerns over the online testing process, please let us know at Testing@bloomhomeschool.com.

A Brief Overview:

This is a quick summary of what will happen once you have purchased a test.

- After placing your order, you will receive an email confirmation with your unique student ID number so please keep it handy as you will need this to log into the practice test and the actual test on your testing day.
- Please review the event and registration details for accuracy. If you notice an error, please provide us with the correct information at Testing@BloomHomeschool.com.
- You will need to download and install the Pearson Browser prior to your practice test. (instructions on doing this below).
- The Monday before your testing dates there will be a mandatory Practice Test.
 - This Practice Test is important for two reasons:
 - It allows you to make sure the Pearson Browser is working properly on your computer while giving us time to correct any issues without impacting testing.



- It allows your student the chance to see some example questions and experience the online testing format in a stressfree environment (the Practice Test is NOT graded)
- You will receive an email from <u>BloomHomeschoolTesting@gmail.com</u>
 Monday morning with the Practice Test <u>Session Number</u>.
- When you log into the Pearson Browser, you will need your STUDENT ID and your student's first name. Following that, the Browser will request the Session Number.
- You will now have a screen that says "Waiting for Proctor Approval".
 Our proctors will approve you remotely, and you are free to begin the test.
- The morning of Test Day 1 (Tuesday), you will receive another email with the Session Numbers for that day. Each subject will have its own Session ID.
 - You will repeat the login procedure from the Practice Test, using the new Session IDs.
 - You will need to repeat the login procedure for each subject.
- The morning of Test Day 2 (Wednesday), you will receive an email with the rest of the Session Numbers.
- You must complete all tests on both Test Day 1 and Test Day 2 to receive a complete and comprehensive score.



The Pearson Browser:

The Pearson Browser is a secure browser that Pearson has created to allow students to remotely take online tests. It is a "lockdown" browser, that is designed to shut down if it detects any other programs opening during the test to discourage cheating. You may have to shut down or disable programs running in the background on your computer.

Required Equipment / Software Minimum System Requirements, effective July 1, 2024:

- Windows: Windows 10+ and Microsoft Edge is required. The latest version of Windows products can be downloaded from the Microsoft Download Center.
- Mac: Mac OS X 10.14+ and Safari 13 or later is required. The latest version
 of Mac products can be downloaded from the Mac Support site.
- iPad: iOS 15.0

To download the Pearson Browser

- If you will be using a Chromebook or an iPad, skip below in these instructions to <u>MHS Beyond</u>.
- Otherwise, Go to: http://pearson.programworkshop.com
 - Click "Download Secure Browser" in the Blue Menu bar at the top.
 - You may receive a window asking you to "Link This Device to Your Institution". Click "Skip this step".
 - Then, download for Windows, or select "SHOW ALL PLATFORMS" if you are using something else.



MHS Beyond

If you have a Chromebook or an iPad, the Pearson Browser will not work. You will need to download the MHS Beyond app from your app store.

If you have any issues with installing or opening the Pearson Browser, call ITS tech support at: 800-514-8494.

Setting up Your Testing Space:

Set up your student in an area with as few distractions as possible.

- No wall maps, reference books, or technology nearby
- Avoid areas near windows
- An ethernet cable connection is strongly recommended
- Students may want blank scratch paper and pencil

A parent or responsible adult must remain at home during testing.

- The adult is allowed to help the student navigate the Pearson Browser
- The adult may read the student the directions and Sample Problems only, unless other accommodations have been made.



Test Day Instructions:

Session Numbers

- You will receive Session Numbers by 10:15am Eastern, the day of the test.
- Each test will have its own Session Number.
- Session Numbers expire at midnight and are only good for the day of the test.

Entering the Test

- You must begin testing between 10:30am and 12:00pm Eastern and finish by 5:00pm Eastern.
- Make sure all other computer programs are closed, and open the Pearson Browser.
- Students will enter their:
 - Student ID
 - First Name
- Use the right side (Not the date of birth option)
- The student will now be "Waiting for Proctor Approval". This should be 5 minutes or less.
- Once a test is finished and closed out, we advise a short break before logging back in for the next test.



TROUBLESHOOTING:

If you are having difficulty loading the Pearson Browser or difficulty logging in, first, restart your computer, enable cookies, and then clear your internet cache.

Enable Cookies

Chrome:

- 1. On your computer, open Chrome.
- 2. At the top right, click More. Settings.
- 3. Under "Privacy and security," click Site settings.
- 4. Click Cookies and site data.
- 5. From here, you can: Turn on cookies: Next to "Blocked," turn on the switch. Turn off cookies: Turn off Allow all cookies.

Edge:

- 1. In the Edge window, select More (...) > Settings > View advanced settings.
- 2. Scroll down to Cookies, and select Don't block cookies.

Safari:

- 1. In the Safari app on your Mac, choose Safari > Settings, then click Privacy.
- 2. Deselect "Block all cookies." Websites, third parties, and advertisers can store cookies and other data on your Mac.



Clear Cache / History:

*Do this step between each testing session, especially using Chromebooks.

Chrome:

- 1. At the top right, click 'More' (the three vertically stacked dots).
- 2. Click 'More tools' and then 'Clear browsing data...'.
- 3. Verify you have selected 'Advanced' at the top of the window, and the time range drop-down box is set to 'All time'.
- 4. Please be sure that -only- 'Cookies and other site data' and 'Cached images and files' are checked, then click on the 'Clear data button'. This process can take a couple of minutes depending on the size of your browser's cache.

Edge: *May need to do this step before entering each session number and again after receiving a prompt to do it again.

- 1. Select Settings and more > Settings > Privacy, search, and services.
- 2. Under Clear browsing data, select Choose what to clear.
- 3. Choose 'All time' as the time range.
- 4. Ensure that ONLY 'Cookies and other site data' and 'Cached images and files' are checked.
- 5. Select Clear now.

Safari:

- 1. Open Safari.
- 2. Click on the Safari drop-down menu and select Preferences.
- 3. Click the Advanced tab. Select the Show Develop menu in menu bar checkbox and close the Preferences window.
- 4. Select the Develop drop-down menu. Click Empty Cache.
- 5. Select the History drop-down, then Clear History.
- 6. Repeat step 3 to disable the Develop menu.



Test Layout:

The SAT-10 is broken into two days. Each day is broken into multiple subjects, with slight variations depending on the grade level.

Test Day 1:

Reading Vocabulary

Reading Comprehension

Spelling

Social Science

Word Study Skills (3rd and 4th Grade ONLY)

Test Day 2:

Mathematics Problem Solving (3rd-8th Grade ONLY)

Mathematics Procedures (3rd-8th Grade ONLY)

Mathematics (9th-12th Grade ONLY)

Language (EVERYONE)

Science (EVERYONE)

Please note, Word Study Skills is for the 3rd and 4th grade tester only. 3rd-8th grades have two math tests, while 9th-12th grades only have one.