

After the Test Administration

How Your Test Is Scored

- The multiple-choice subtests are scored electronically.
- The Writing subtest is scored by trained scorers.
- Pearson uses computerized and manual quality-control procedures to ensure the accuracy of all test scores.
- The Official Score Report is the only official information available to you containing your PCAT results. The unofficial Preliminary Score Report you received at the Pearson VUE Test Center at the time of testing is **not** considered official.
- Lists of test items, responses, or a copy of your Writing essay are not available for review.

Score Reporting

- Within **5 weeks following the end of the testing window in which you took your exam**, your Official Score Report will be available online for one year from the date of your test administration, and Official Transcripts will be sent to the institutions you designated to receive your scores.
- Your PCAT scores will be reported on your Official Transcript unless you selected the “No Score Option” at the time of your test administration.
- Pharmacy schools will only accept Official Transcripts.
- **Under no circumstances will scores be reported over the phone, in an email, or faxed.**

Interpreting Your Official Score Report

- Scores on the Official Score Report are reported as scaled scores and percentile ranks for each of the four multiple-choice subtests and as a Composite score for the combined multiple-choice subtests. All percentile ranks are based on current norms in effect as of July 2016.
- Writing subtest scores are reported as the candidate’s earned score, along with an average score for all candidates taking the exam during the previous 12 months.
- For an example of a personal Official Score Report see “Sample Official Score Report” under “Scoring and Reporting” on www.PCATweb.info.
- Pearson does not set a passing or failing score for the PCAT. Individual pharmacy colleges establish their own score criteria. If you are interested in the score criteria for any particular pharmacy college, please consult with that college. Generally, pharmacy colleges consider test results in combination with other information, such as high school and undergraduate records, references, and personal interviews.