

# After the Test

## How Your Test Is Scored

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- The multiple-choice subtests are scored electronically.
- The Writing subtests are scored by trained scorers.
- Pearson uses computerized and manual quality-control procedures to ensure the accuracy of test scores.
- The personal Score Report is the only official information available to you about your 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, or a copy of your Writing essay, are not available for review.

## Score Reporting

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- Within **5 weeks of the end of the testing window**, your personal Score Report will be available online for one year from the date of your test, and Official Transcripts will be sent via the U.S. Postal Service to the institutions to which you requested your scores reported.
- **Under no circumstances will scores be reported over the phone or faxed.**
- Pharmacy schools will only accept Official Transcripts.
- Your most recent PCAT scores and other PCAT scores that you earned during the previous 5 years will be reported on your Official Transcript, unless you selected the No Score Option at the time of testing.
- Scores more than 5 years old will not be reported.

## Interpreting Your Personal Score Report

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- Scores on the personal Score Report are reported as scaled scores and percentile ranks for each of the five multiple-choice subtests and as a composite score for the combined multiple-choice subtests.
- Writing subtest scores are reported separately for Conventions of Language and Problem Solving.

- For an example of a personal Score Report with interpretive explanations, see “Sample Personal Score Report.”
- There is no passing or failing score set by Pearson for the PCAT. Consult the schools to which you are applying for information about their use of test scores. Generally, pharmacy schools consider test results in combination with other information, such as high school and undergraduate records, references, and personal interviews.

## Verifying Your Scores

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- Scoring methods used by Pearson are highly reliable and accurate.
- Rarely does rescoring the multiple-choice subtests or the Writing subtest result in a score change.
- You may request and pay a Verification Fee to have your multiple-choice subtest scores verified by rescoring, or your Writing subtest rescored.
- The Verification Fee does **not** entitle you to a copy of the test items or your essay.
- If a score does change as a result of rescoring, your corrected personal Score Report will be available online, and corrected Official Transcripts will be sent to any institutions you had requested.
- If the rescoring of a multiple-choice subtest results in a change to your score, you will be reimbursed for the Verification Fee payment.
- If rescoring your Writing subtest results in a score that is either higher or lower than your original score, you will not be reimbursed due to the processing fees incurred by Pearson.
- Please allow 10 business days for rescoring of multiple choice subtests.
- The procedure for rescoring and reporting the Writing subtest takes longer than that for rescoring the PCAT multiple-choice items.
- To have your multiple-choice scores verified by rescoring and/or your Writing subtests rescored, write to Pearson and include the following:
  1. The name of the test—PCAT
  2. The date you took the PCAT
  3. Your complete name, mailing address, email address, and your PCAT CID.
  4. A money order displaying your name made payable to Pearson for \$40.00 to only request rescoring of the multiple-choice subtests, \$50.00 to only request rescoring of the Writing subtest, or \$90.00 to request both a multiple-choice subtest rescoring and a Writing subtest rescore.