



BEFORE THE SAGE TEST:



- ★ Check teacher account and login - www.sageportal.org
- ★ Take students through the training tests - <http://sageportal.org/training-tests/>

The purpose of the Utah SAGE Training Tests is to familiarize students and teachers with the *design, format, and procedures* for answering different types of items that will be included in the SAGE Summative assessments.

- ★ Additional practice can be given through SAGE Formative. Learn about SAGE Formative: <http://edtech.canyonsdistrict.org/sage-formative.html>
- ★ Pre-writing process (scratch paper)
 - * ABC Plan
 - * Note-taking
 - * Essay Writing
- ★ Teach/review test taking strategies
- ★ Print out student “tickets”
 - * SSID's can be cut into strips and passed out to students. Collect them after students have logged in.
- ★ Inform parents - you can find a printable PDF brochure here:
 - * <http://sageportal.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/UTFamilybrochureD211.pdf> (ENGLISH)
 - * <http://sageportal.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/EQUITY-REYNOLDS-SAGE-Brochure-SPANISH-2014-6-16.pdf> (SPANISH)



DURING THE TEST

- ★ Remind students that the test is not timed
- ★ Monitor students
- ★ Move around the room
- ★ Minimize all distraction
- ★ Maintain ethical testing conduct
- ★ **Behavior expectations:**
 - * No distracting others
 - * Have a plan for fast finishers
 - * Late students should start immediately

AFTER THE TEST

- ★ Complete as many makeups as possible
- ★ Retrieve your scores/report: http://edtech.canyonsdistrict.org/uploads/8/7/1/9/8719529/how_to_retrieve_sage_scores.pdf





What materials are allowed during testing?

- ◆ Headphones
- ◆ Scratch and/or graph paper
- ◆ Calculators as appropriate according to SAGE policy
 - ❖ Students may use any calculator previously used during instruction (with the exception of a phone or internet capable device.)
 - ❖ An on-screen calculator is also available.
 - ❖ **STUDENTS CANNOT BRING THEIR OWN CALCULATORS**

Is there a spell check or dictionary for SAGE writing?

- ◆ Yes, those tools are available for all grades 3 - 11 on both writing prompts.

Is highlighting or annotation available?

- ◆ Highlighting is available (Be aware that highlighted text is only active during the current session and not saved).
- ◆ There is an online notepad where students can take notes.
- ◆ Students will also be able to have a blank scratch paper and pen/pencil as well.

How much do students need to write?

- ◆ There is not an exact required length given for student responses, but guidance is provided as part of the prompt.
 - ❖ On the Informational/Explanatory prompt, length should be 1-3 paragraphs.
 - ❖ On the Opinion/Argumentative prompt, a well constructed essay should be written.

How do students cite the textual information/evidence they incorporate in their essays?

- ◆ 6th – 11th Grades: When referring to evidence and information from passages, students should use paraphrasing and short quotations.
- ◆ To credit sources, students should use informal, in-text citations (e.g., MLA author or title tags).

If I have charts (core curriculum instructional aides) up in my room do I need to take them down for the test?

- ◆ Students should not be provided with any assistance that would elevate their score.
- ◆ Charts and posters that would help students take the test should be covered or taken down.

For additional information, please visit: <http://edtech.canyonsdistrict.org/sage-summative.html>