

The following guide provides an overview of minimum and recommended technical specifications for implementing SPMS™ assessment platform (<http://www.vantagespms.com>). For technical support, call (800) 322-0848, or e-mail support@vantagespms.com. Additional technical information can be accessed at www.vantagespms.com by clicking on the “Need Help?” link located at the bottom of each screen.

System or Software	Minimum	Recommended
PC Operating System	Microsoft Windows® 2000	Microsoft Windows® XP or Vista
Linux any distribution that supports Firefox 3.0		
PC Web Browser	IE® 7.0 or Firefox® 3.0 Note: IE® 6.0, Firefox® 1.0/2.0, and Netscape® 9.0 will not be supported after June 30, 2009.	IE® 8.0 or Firefox® 3.0.1
Mac Operating System	Mac 10.4	Mac 10.4.6, 10.5
Mac Web Browser	Safari® 3.0 or Firefox® 3.0 Note: Safari® 2.0, Firefox® 1.0/2.0, and Netscape® 9.0 will not be supported after June 30, 2009.	Firefox® 3.0.1, Safari 4.0, 5.0
Processor	Processor speed should meet or exceed the minimum required by the user's operating system and browser.	
Memory (RAM)	Available memory should meet or exceed the minimum required by the user's operating system and browser.	
Bandwidth	128 Kbps of dedicated bandwidth to the Internet and back for EACH workstation.	
Display	15-inch VGA monitor capable of 1024x768 resolution or better.	17-inch SVGA monitor with 1024x768 resolution.
	Note: 9-inch with 1024x600 resolution or better and wide-screen monitors with resolution of 1152x864 and 1280x1024 are supported. Smaller screens sizes and non standard screen resolutions may require additional user scrolling or restrict the readability of text.	
Adobe Flash® Player	9.0 Download free here .	10.0 Download free here .
Acrobat® Reader	7.0 Download free here .	8.0 Download free here .
Pop-up Blocker Software	Browser set to allow all pop-ups.	Add www.vantagespms.com , http://63.89.64.223 to your pop-up blocker(s) allow list.
	Note: MY Access!® School Edition displays instructional content—writing topics, graphic organizers, etc.—through pop-ups.	
Workstation Cookies	Cookies should be set to “accept all cookies” for http://www.vantagespms.com , http://63.89.64.223 .	
Workstation Cache	Cache should be set to the lowest possible setting that can be used for your specific computer or network.	
Network Proxy, Firewall, Security, Content Filtering Settings	Bypassed for the following: www.vantagespm.com , http://63.89.64.223 . TCP/ Proxy servers and firewalls are configured to allow unrestricted http on port 80 to the Internet, and responses.	
Network Proxy and Authentication Settings	The session time-out value should be set to be at least equal to the length of the test or a minimum of 60 minutes.	
JavaScript and Active Controls	Browsers must have JavaScript and Active Controls enabled. Most browsers have these features enabled by default.	