

Good SAT Scores Can Mean College of Choice

Admission to major colleges and universities is more competitive than ever. Today's high school student has basically three avenues to being accepted by a major college or university: a high GPA, a scholarship based on ability demonstrated in athletics, music, or another specialized area, or a strong SAT score. Many scholarship award committees also look to SAT scores to predict student success in college.

The Learning Systems SAT Preparation Course is offered before each testing date. Students will attend a 6-hour Saturday session with an hour lunch break, one 3-hour session on the following Tuesday and one 1.5-hour session the following Thursday evening. The price includes all materials for the course. Students should bring writing utensils, calculator, water bottle and snacks that can be eaten during a break.

A minimum of 15 students must enroll for the course to be offered. Enrollment will be closed at 35. If a course does not meet minimum enrollment, refunds will be issued.

Courses will be held at the Clemens and Steele High School campuses. No other communication or reminders will be given, so make plans to attend.

Curriculum adapted from:

Learning Systems, Houston, TX

Dates and Times of SAT Preparation Courses

Session 1:

Preparation Course for the **OCT 2** SAT test:
Sat 9/25 9am – 4pm; Mon 9/27 5pm-8pm &
Tues 9/28 5– 6:30pm

Registration due by **September 20, 2021**

Session 2:

Preparation Course for the **NOV 6** SAT test:
Sat 10/30 9am – 4pm Mon 11/1 5pm-8pm &
Tues 11/2 5– 6:30pm

Registration due by **October 25, 2021**

Session 3:

Preparation Course for the **DEC 4** SAT test:
Sat 11/13 9am – 4pm Mon 11/15 5pm-8pm &
Tues 11/16 5– 6:30pm

Registration due by **November 9, 2021**

Session 4:

Preparation Course for the **MAR 12** SAT test:
Sat 2/19 9am – 4pm Tue 2/22 5pm-8pm &
Wed 2/23 5– 6:30pm

Registration due **February 14, 2022**

Session 5:

Preparation Course for the **MAY 7** SAT test:
Sat 4/30 9am – 4pm Mon 5/2 5pm-8pm &
Tues 5/3 5– 6:30pm

Registration due by **April 24, 2022**

Session 6:

Preparation Course for the **JUNE 4** SAT test:
Sat 5/21 9am-4pm Mon 5/23 5pm-8pm &
Tues 5/24 5– 6:30pm

Registration due by **May 16, 2022**

Classes will be held at Clemens High School. The entrance to the H hallway (left of main entrance) will be utilized. No reminders will be given, so please mark your calendars.

SAT Preparation Course

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Price per course is: \$50

Needs-based price reduction and scholarships are available upon request. Documentation of need will be required to qualify.

Please note that you must still register for the SAT test itself at www.collegeboard.org.

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WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN A SAT PREP COURSE

The essential ingredients in a good prep course are simple:

- (1) The course should teach the structure and format of the test. It should thoroughly cover the directions to all question types encountered. It should cover how the test is scored and what each question counts whether answered or omitted.
- (2) The course should spend time on the art of "educated guessing" methods and when specifically to make a guess.
- (3) The course should cover specific tactics and strategies specific to the written essay, verbal question types (sentence completions and critical reading passages), and the writing skills (grammar) tested.
- (4) The course should cover specific math tactics including the "Keys to Success" for regular math word problems, the top 8 formulas used on the test, and the usage of the "MNL" (magic number list) for both regular math questions and student-produced answer math questions.
- (5) The course should teach students how to develop the best test-taking style for themselves.
- (6) The course should result in an overall reduction in fear, anxiety, and frustration a student has felt about the test

Reasons for taking a course:

- *The course is taught by teachers who have completed a rigorous training course on SAT preparation and have all the information a student needs to score up to potential on this important exam.*
- *Real SAT questions are used to instruct students how to successfully take the test.*
- *Real SAT questions are practiced, evaluated and explained.*
- *Students learn exactly how and when to guess. Poor guessing strategies lower most students' scores by up to 150 points.*
- *Students learn to use what they already know with specific strategies for each question type found on the SAT. Specific verbal and math strategies maximize a student's score.*
- *Test taking skills are applicable to many standardized tests!*
- *Research shows that up to 90% of the students taking the SAT are unprepared for it in terms of the logic and reasoning skills required.*

Sign me up!

(See back of pamphlet for session numbers)

Registration is through:

'My School Bucks'



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