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About the SAT®

The SAT® is a globally available test accepted by colleges and universities throughout the United States and in numerous international locations. It is offered at least seven times a year in the United States and U.S. territories, and up to five times a year internationally.

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General SAT Terms and Conditions

- By registering for the SAT, you're certifying that you are the person whose personal information is being provided for this registration and that the information you are providing is accurate. Giving false or misleading information about yourself, such as name, address, date of birth, current grade level, expected graduation date, attending high school, or photo, can result in an investigation, cancellation of scores, and a testing ban for College Board assessments, and such other actions as the College Board, in its sole discretion, deems appropriate. We reserve the right to cancel scores from College Board test administrations that occurred prior to the test administration at issue.
- Creating multiple College Board student accounts, intentionally or inadvertently, is strictly prohibited and can result in an investigation and/or the merging of relevant records.
- If your school participates in an SAT School Day administration, the College Board may receive your personal information including first name, last name, sex, date of birth, and mailing address from your school. This information will be kept secure and added to your permanent College Board record to be used for score reporting purposes as well as the other purposes that are outlined in the SAT and SAT Subject Tests™ Student Registration Booklet and materials. By taking the SAT and signing the SAT answer sheet, you acknowledge that your school has provided this information to the College Board and consent to the College Board retaining it.
- In certain cases, including where there is an unexpected volume in a particular area or for test security reasons, the College Board reserves the right to move test takers to a subsequent test administration.
- If you want to cancel your scores your request must be received by the fourth weekday after a test administration. Once you submit your request to cancel scores, your scores cannot be reinstated and are not reported to you or your designated institutions.
- For additional score report requests, only score reports from completed and scored tests are sent to your colleges and scholarship programs. Scores from tests for which you registered, but have not yet completed, are not included. You can send all your scores to an institution, or you can choose to select which scores to send an institution by test date for the SAT and by individual test taken for SAT Subject Tests™. Score Choice™ is optional; if you decide not to use it when sending scores, the College Board will send all of your scores to the recipient institutions.
- Each time you test, you can choose the colleges or scholarship programs you want to send your scores to. The first four are included with your test registration fee. If you're undecided about where to send your scores, you can add or change your score recipients online. Corrections and additions to your score report recipients can be made online until nine days after the test. The four score-sending requests that are included with registration cannot be applied to past or future score-sending requests or registrations.
- Most, but not all, scores will be reported online and available by phone several weeks after the test date. A full score report is provided to you online about a week and half later. Your score report will be delivered to the high school, colleges, universities, and scholarship programs you indicated when
you registered, and additional score report requests will be delivered a few weeks after the request is received. A paper copy of your score report can be requested at the time of registration.

- SAT Program policies are subject to change at any time for test security or other reasons. The SAT Program will attempt to provide adequate prior notice, although circumstances may limit our ability to do so.

- The College Board and the test center will not be responsible for personal property brought to the test center on test day that becomes lost, stolen, or damaged.

- In the event of a test security-related concern, public health threat, natural disaster, or terrorist act, the College Board may cancel testing for all or a particular group of test-takers. When this occurs, the SAT Program will notify test takers in advance if possible. We will communicate test cancellations and where feasible, alternative test dates for affected test-takers.

- To ensure the integrity of the SAT Program, the College Board reserves the right to bar any individual from registering for and/or taking the SAT or a Subject Test.

- If the College Board becomes aware that you or someone else may be in imminent danger, including a determination based on the content of your SAT essay, we reserve the right to contact the appropriate individuals or agencies, including your high school or law enforcement agencies. We might also provide the relevant essay or other content, along with any personal information, to those contacted.

- Except as otherwise indicated in this text, the College Board, including its subcontractors, shall not be liable to test-takers, schools, school districts, or anyone claiming by or through them for any damages, including direct, indirect, special, incidental, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages, which are caused by, arising from, or otherwise related to the failure of test administration personnel, the students or the school, or the test center to comply with the College Board’s and its subcontractors’ test security and test administration policies and procedures, whether or not the College Board has been advised of the possibility of such damages.

- Other than disputes involving an “Invalid Scores” review (discussed in the “Invalid Scores” section) or infringement of the College Board’s intellectual property rights, all disputes against the College Board and/or any or all of its contractors, that relate in any way to registering for or taking the SAT, including but not limited to requesting or receiving test accommodations, score reporting, and the use of test taker data, shall be exclusively resolved by a single arbitrator through binding, individual arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association (“AAA”), under the AAA Consumer Arbitration Rules in effect at the time a request for arbitration is filed with the AAA. Copies of the AAA Rules can be located at www.adr.org. Unless the parties mutually agree otherwise, the seat and the place of the arbitration shall be New York, New York. The parties agree that the Federal Arbitration Act (“FAA”), 9 U.S.C. § 1 et seq. governs this provision, and it is the intent of the parties that the FAA shall pre-empt all State laws to the fullest extent permitted by law. No arbitration may be maintained as a class action, and the arbitrator shall not have the authority to combine or aggregate the disputes of more than one individual, conduct any class proceeding, make any class award, or make an award to any person or entity not a party to the arbitration, without the express written consent of the College Board. By agreeing to arbitration in accordance with this section, you are waiving your right to have your dispute heard by a judge or jury. Each party will be responsible for its own fees and expenses incurred in connection with the arbitration, regardless of its outcome. For purposes of this provision, each College Board contractor is a third party beneficiary of this section, is entitled to the rights and benefits hereunder, and may enforce the provisions hereof as if it were a party hereto.
The College Board or its designee may use methods to capture images, video, or audio at any of all test centers to ensure test security. The resulting images or recordings, which may permit the College Board to identify specific individuals, may be collected, stored, reviewed, and used for the purposes of (1) identifying and/or investigating possible SAT test security incidents; (2) collecting evidence in connection with possible SAT test security incidents; and (3) enhancing SAT test security. These images and/or recordings are maintained following test administration for as long as reasonably necessary for the purposes specified.

Thereafter the images are securely destroyed. The College Board will NOT use or disclose video surveillance information except as described above, as requested by law enforcement, and/or as reasonably necessary to protect the rights and property of the College Board or third parties.

The College Board takes steps to ensure that registration records are properly handled and processed, and that answer sheets are properly handled and scored. In the unlikely event that an issue arises in connection with shipping or otherwise processing registration materials, answer sheets, or score reports, or with regard to scoring the test, or score reporting, the College Board will correct the error, if possible, schedule a makeup test for impacted test-takers, or provide a refund of the test fee. These are the sole remedies for test-takers in relation to such issues. The College Board has sole discretion in determining whether to score lost answer sheets that are eventually recovered.

We occasionally pretest new questions to determine if they should be included in a future SAT test form. These questions may appear in any of the test sections, and testing time will be extended by 20 minutes so test takers have time to answer them. They will not be included in computing students’ scores.

**Test Security and Fairness**

The College Board’s Test Security and Fairness policies are designed to give every student a fair and equitable opportunity to demonstrate college readiness. They're also designed to prevent anyone from gaining an unfair advantage on SAT tests. When you register to take the SAT or SAT Subject Tests, you acknowledge that you have read, understand, and will comply with these Test Security and Fairness policies as detailed here.

- You must present acceptable photo identification for admission to the test center. *(Note for Talent Search students: The Talent Search/SAT ID Form is an acceptable ID and may be used instead of an official photo ID.)*
- Your scores and your registration information, including the photo you provided, will be made available to your high school. In the event of an investigation involving the validity of your test scores, your photo may be made available to institutions to which you have sent your scores; however, any college that is granted access to your photo will first be required to certify that you are an admitted student. See “Important Information for Test Takers,” for more details about grounds for score cancellation and the use of your personal information and photo.
- Allowing someone to impersonate you to take a College Board test, or engaging in impersonation to take a test for someone else, is strictly prohibited.
- Sharing test questions or answers is prohibited at any time unless test content is released as part of a College Board service (such as the Question-and-Answer Service).
- Using phones and certain other electronic devices is prohibited in SAT test centers.
- You are prohibited from accessing secured test materials at any time before or after the test.
- If you exit the building before testing ends, your scores will be canceled.
- While you're taking the test, do not allow anyone to see the test questions or your answers.
- The timing of each test section is strictly scheduled. You cannot skip ahead or go back to a previous test or test section in the test book or answer sheet while taking the SAT or SAT Subject Tests.
If your essay is not your original and individual work, your entire test score may be canceled.

You may not consult textbooks, other people, electronic devices, or any other resources during the test or during breaks.

Calculators may not be shared, and may only be on your desk during the parts of the SAT and SAT Subject Tests they’re approved for.

Violation of policies related to test security can result in denial of entry to or immediate dismissal from the test center, cancellation of your scores, or a limited or permanent ban from future test taking.

Special Registration Circumstances

Requesting to Test on a Sunday

Registrants who, for religious reasons, wish to test on Sunday must specify 01000 as the first choice test center code in order to be assigned to a Sunday test center. The second test center choice should be left blank. You will be required to provide a letter (via your program to the College Board) from a clergy member on letterhead from your house of worship that clearly identifies you and supports your request to test on a Sunday. The assigned test center will be displayed on your admission ticket document.

Providing Accommodations to Students with Disabilities

Accommodations for students with disabilities will be granted and administered according to the College Board’s standard eligibility and administration procedures. Most students get help from their school to submit a request for accommodations. Schools can request accommodations online at collegeboard.org/ssd. This is the fastest and most accurate way to request and manage accommodations for students who need them. Any provided accommodations not previously and explicitly approved by the College Board’s SSD program will result in scores that are not valid, and that cannot be reported to colleges, scholarship programs and other designated score recipients.

On Test Day

Unless otherwise indicated on your admission ticket, you should report to the test center by 7:45 a.m. Testing starts between 8:30 and 9 a.m. Please come prepared — you are responsible for reading, understanding, and complying with all of our policies. Failure to do so may result in the denial of entry to, or dismissal from, the test center.

SAT Test-Taker Identification (ID) Requirements and Policies

Test center staff will compare the information on your admission ticket and your photo ID, as well as your appearance, with the test center roster to confirm your registration and identity.
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You will not be admitted to the test center if the information doesn't match (for example if your nickname is on one item but your full name is on another). The staff are not required to hold your seat if you didn't bring acceptable ID.

International students should check online at sat.org/international for requirements that might apply in their country.

IMPORTANT: If you have questions about our ID Requirements and Policies, please contact Customer Service at least 30 days prior to your intended test date.

Acceptable Identification Documents

You are responsible for bringing an acceptable form of identification each time you report to an SAT test center. ID documents must meet all of the following requirements.

• Be a valid (unexpired) photo identification that is government-issued or issued by the school that you currently attend. School IDs from the prior school year are valid through December of the current calendar year. (For example school IDs from 2017-18 can be used through December 31, 2018.)
• Be an original document (not photocopied)
• Show your full, legal name exactly as it appears on your admission ticket, including the order of the names
• Show a recent recognizable photograph that matches your appearance on test day and your admission ticket photo
• Be in good condition, with clearly legible English language text

Note: NOT all of these requirements (listed above) apply to Talent Search Identification documents used by students who are in the eighth grade or below at the time of testing; however Talent Search Identification Forms must show an original student/parent signature.

Examples of Acceptable ID

• Government-issued driver’s license or non-driver ID card
• Official student ID card from the school you currently attend
• Government-issued passport
• Government-issued military or national ID card (such as the U.S. Global Entry identification card)
• Talent Search Identification Form (allowed for students who are in the eighth grade or below at the time of testing)
• SAT Student ID Form (see below)

Note: If you are in the eighth grade or below and do NOT have a Talent Search Identification Form, you must present an acceptable photo ID to be admitted to the test center.
Unacceptable ID

The following documents will not be accepted as proper ID under any circumstances:

- Any document that does not meet the requirements listed above
- Any document that is worn, torn, scuffed, scarred, or otherwise damaged
- Any document that appears tampered with or digitally altered

Examples of unacceptable ID:

- Credit or debit card of any kind, even one with a photograph
- Birth certificate
- Social Security card
- Employee ID card
- Missing child (“ChildFind”) ID card
- Any temporary ID card

Special Instructions for Using the SAT Student ID Form

If you do not have another form of acceptable ID, you may be able to use the SAT Student ID Form. This form is available online at sat.org/test-day or from your school counselor. This form must be prepared and authenticated by the school you currently attend or by a notary if you are home-schooled. A current photo must be attached to the form in the area indicated before the form is notarized. This form is only valid as ID if you are testing in the United States and are under 21 years of age.

Additional Identification Requirements that May Apply

When you register for the SAT or SAT Subject Tests under the circumstances specified below, additional identification requirements will dictate what ID you use on test day. In all of the cases below, only the listed form of ID will be accepted. There are no exceptions to these policies.

- If you're in waitlist status, you must present an acceptable school- or government-issued photo ID that has been issued in the country where you're testing.
- If you're testing in Ghana, Nepal, Nigeria or Pakistan, you must present your passport.
- If you're testing in India, you must present either your passport or an Aadhar card.
- If you are testing in Egypt, Korea, Thailand, or Vietnam, you must present your passport or a government-issued photo ID from the country in which you are testing. If you travel to another country to test, you must provide a passport as identification.
- If you are 21 years of age or older, you must present your passport or a government-issued photo ID. Student ID cards are not valid for test-takers aged 21 or older.
- **If you are in the 8th grade or below at the time of testing and are testing for Talent Search purposes**, a valid Talent Search ID Form is acceptable. In all other cases, you must present an acceptable photo ID.

Important Notes About Your ID

- **Matching Names**: You are responsible for ensuring that the name you used to register exactly matches the name on the ID document(s) you will present at the test center. If you need to make a
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c change to your name after registering, please contact Customer Service at least 30 days prior to your intended test date. Middle names and initials are optional on your documents; however, if provided, the middle initial must exactly match the first letter of your middle name on your ID.

• **Matching Appearance:** If test administration staff cannot sufficiently authenticate your identification from the ID you present, you may be denied admission to the test center, or your test score may be withheld or canceled.

• Test center staff are not required to hold your seat if you leave the center to obtain acceptable identification.

• Prior admission to a test center based on any particular ID document is no guarantee that the same ID document will be considered acceptable in the future.

• Admission to the test center is no guarantee that the ID you provided is valid or that your scores will be reported. All reported or suspected cases of questionable ID or test-taker identity are subject to review before, during, or after the test administration.

• You should keep your ID and admission ticket with you at all times while in the test center, including during breaks. You may be required to show your ID and admission ticket and/or to sign a test center log multiple times and at various points throughout the test administration.

• If it is discovered after your test administration that you used a false or invalid identification, your test scores will be canceled, and you will forfeit your registration and test fees. Your parent(s) or legal guardian(s) (if you are under 18), your high school, and the colleges and programs you have designated to receive your score reports will be notified and may be told why your scores were canceled. Law enforcement authorities may also be notified when fraud is suspected, and you may be banned from future College Board tests.

• If you fail to comply with these identification requirements and policies, you will be dismissed from the test center and your scores will be withheld or canceled. If you are dismissed from the test center prior to completing the test because of invalid or unacceptable ID, or failure to comply with these ID requirements and policies, your test fees will not be refunded.

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**Items to Bring for Testing**

• Printed admission ticket, which is required for entry to the test center

• Acceptable photo identification (OR Talent Search Identification Form)

• Two No. 2 pencils with soft erasers; no pens or mechanical pencils

• An approved calculator for math sections/tests that permit them

• Acceptable battery-operated CD player with earphones for the Language with Listening Tests only — no power cords or boom boxes are permitted

• A watch that has no audible alarm or communication/recording capabilities

• A bag or backpack (which must be stored under the desk during testing)

• Snacks and drinks (which must be packed away during testing)

• Extra batteries and backup equipment
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Prohibited Items

Leaf prohibited items at home — they are not allowed in the testing room. Prohibited devices include, but are not limited to:

• Cell phones or smartphones
• Audio players/recorders, tablets, laptops, notebooks, Google Glass, or any other personal computing devices
• Separate timers of any type
• Cameras or any other photographic equipment
• Any devices, including digital watches or smartwatches, that can be used to record, transmit, receive, or play back audio, photographic, text, or video content (with the exception of CD players used for Language with Listening Subject Tests only)

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Phones and Electronic Devices Policy

Devices that can be used to communicate test content or share answers are not allowed in the test center. The test administration staff is encouraged to collect and hold phones and other prohibited electronic devices during the test administration, including during break periods. If your device makes noise, or you are seen using it or you attempt to access it at any time, including during breaks, you may be dismissed immediately, your scores can be canceled, and the device may be confiscated. The College Board is not responsible for loss or damage to personal items, including electronic devices, while you are in the test center.

General Calculator Policy

You are responsible for bringing an acceptable calculator on test day. You will not be allowed to share calculators with other students. Acceptable calculators are allowed for designated math questions only. You will be dismissed and your scores will be canceled if you use your calculator to share information during the test, or to remove test questions or answers from the test room.

Use of Calculators During the SAT

We recommend that you bring and use a calculator on the Math with Calculator component of the SAT. We recommend that you bring a calculator you are comfortable using, preferably a scientific or graphing calculator. You may not use a calculator on any test other than the Math with Calculator test on the SAT (unless approved by the College Board as an accommodation).

Acceptable Calculators

Only battery-operated, handheld equipment can be used for testing. No power cords are allowed. A list of acceptable graphing calculators is given in The SAT Student Guide and online at sat.org/calculator. Calculators permitted during testing include:

• Most graphing calculators
• All scientific calculators
• All four-function calculators (not recommended)
Unacceptable Calculators

You're not allowed to use any of the following items as a calculator:

- Laptops or other computers, tablets, mobile phones, or smartphones
- Models that can access the internet, have wireless, Bluetooth, cellular, audio/video recording and playing, camera, or any other smartphone-type feature
- Models that have QWERTY (typewriter-like) keypad, pen-input, or stylus
- Models that use electrical outlets, make noise, or have a paper tape (unless approved by the College Board as an accommodation)

In addition, the use of hardware peripherals such as a stylus with an approved calculator is not permitted. Some models with touch-screen capability are not permitted (e.g., Casio ClassPad).

Important Reminders for Taking the Tests

- To ensure that your answers are recorded properly for accurate scoring, you’ll want to follow the guidelines below when marking answers in your test booklet:
  - Use a No. 2 pencil with a soft eraser on all parts of the answer sheet. Do not use a pen or mechanical pencil. An Essay written in pen will not scan and will receive a score of zero.
  - Make sure you fill in the entire bubble darkly and completely.
  - Erase any changes you make as completely as possible.
- Use a watch to time yourself — no separate timers or alarms are allowed, as they distract other test-takers. Choose a watch that does not have advanced communication or recording features (these are not allowed and will be collected from you in the testing room).
- Do not skip sections, and do not leave your answer sheet blank. Doing this could result in score cancellation and/or delays.
- We occasionally pretest new questions to determine if they should be included in a future SAT test form. These questions may appear in any of the test sections, and testing time will be extended by 20 minutes so test takers have time to answer them. These questions will not be included in computing test takers' scores. Students must complete all sections of the test. If you leave before dismissal, your scores will be canceled.
- You should answer every question by selecting the response you think is best, since no points are subtracted for incorrect answers.
- Store any snacks you bring out of sight in your backpack or a paper bag. Snacks may be consumed only during breaks.
- Plan ahead and bring equipment that is in good working order. Test center staff will not have extra batteries, calculators, CD players, or earphones. You will not be able to share equipment with another test-taker. See The SAT Student Guide or The SAT Subject Tests Student Guide or go to sat.org/testday for information about calculators and CD players.
- Keep your ID and admission ticket with you at all times, especially if you leave the testing room. You may be asked to show your ID or admission ticket at any time while in the test center.
- Students must complete all sections of the test. If you leave before dismissal, your scores will be canceled.
What to Do if Your Equipment Fails

If your calculator malfunctions while you are taking the SAT, you can continue to test, or you can cancel your scores. You'll have to cancel your entire test score — you cannot cancel just the mathematics section.

What to Do if You Need to Cancel Scores

Cancellations must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the fourth weekday following the test. If you're testing on a day other than a published weekend administration date, check with the supervisor for the deadline that applies to you. Once we receive your request, your scores cannot be reinstated. Please note:

- You cannot cancel individual section scores of the SAT. If you wish to cancel your entire SAT test score, you must contact us by the specified deadline.
- Your signature is required to cancel scores. You can cancel your scores by mail or fax. Email or phone requests cannot be accepted. You can download a Request to Cancel Test Scores form from sat.collegeboard.org.
- If you cancel your scores, they will be removed from your record and not sent to any colleges or programs you selected as score report recipients on your registration.
- Unless you cancel your scores, all scores will remain on your record, even if you decide not to send them to any colleges or programs. Canceling requests to have score reports sent is not the same as canceling your scores.

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Making Changes

- If you have already registered to test on a Saturday and need to change to Sunday testing, contact Customer Service.
- You cannot change the name you registered under, your date of birth, or your sex on a registration once it has been processed without contacting Customer Service.

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Important Information for Test Takers

The testing policies and other information provided herein apply to every SAT test administration (including district- or state-sponsored administrations such as SAT School Day) except where, and only to the extent that, you are provided with different guidelines and rules issued by the College Board or Educational Testing Service (“ETS”).

By registering for the SAT, you are certifying that you are the person whose personal information is being provided for this registration and that the information you are providing is accurate. Giving false or misleading information about yourself, such as name, address, date of birth, current grade level, expected graduation date, name of high school, or photo can result in an investigation, cancellation of scores, and a testing ban for College Board assessments, and such other actions as the College Board, in its sole discretion deems appropriate. We reserve the right to cancel scores from College Board test administrations that occurred prior to the test administration at issue.
Privacy Policy

The College Board recognizes the importance of protecting your privacy rights.

See collegeboard.org/privacy-policy for complete data privacy information.

During the registration process, we ask students for: name, address, date of birth, sex, or student ID, and address. We may also ask for phone numbers and email addresses, school name, and grade level or expected graduation date.

Sometimes schools will give us students’ personal information to register these students for College Board tests. Schools may share students’ names, addresses, dates of birth, and gender, and in certain circumstances information about students to help the College Board determine if they qualify for fee waivers. Students provide any remaining personal information themselves.

We only share student information for the educational purposes listed below (or under court order).

- We report scores to students and their schools, districts, and states to help measure educational progress and support students on their path to college.
- If students request it, we use information to send customized college planning information.
- We use student information to give SAT college application fee waivers to income-eligible students.
- We share a limited amount of personal data with our partners—only what's needed for administering testing services and producing and generating student score reports.
- On our website, we use student information to customize and personalize the content users see, such as important reminders about SAT test dates and college-planning milestones.
- We share deidentified student information with researchers so they can study it for College Board programs and services that help solve education issues.
- If there's an investigation involving validity of a student’s test scores, a photo of the student may be sent to institutions that received the scores. Any college given access to the photo must certify that it has admitted the student.

You'll be required to provide your name, the name or code of your high school, and other personal information during the registration process. The College Board maintains records of the personal information and photo that you provided at the time of registration for each test date, and which are used for the photo admission ticket required for test center entry. You can choose to disclose your information for scholarship purposes, Student Search Service®, score reporting to institutions other than your high school, and receiving communications from the College Board.

The College Board will disclose scores to a student’s parent or guardian if the parent or guardian is able to supply the required authentication information, unless the College Board determines in its sole discretion that its records on the student contain a court order, state statute, or legally binding document relating to matters such as divorce, separation, or custody that restricts the parent or guardian’s access to the student scores.

The College Board will not independently investigate whether a court order, state statute, or legally binding document exists other than in its records, rather relevant documents and information must be submitted to the College Board. The College Board reserves the right to request additional documents and information in connection with determining whether or not to disclose scores to a parent or guardian.
Telemarketing and Internet Scams

We sometimes receive reports of phone scams when callers posing as employees of the College Board try to sell test-preparation products or request sensitive, personally identifying information, such as credit card and Social Security numbers. The College Board does not make unsolicited phone calls to students or families requesting this type of information. This type of activity, known as telemarketing fraud, is a crime.

Grounds for Score Cancellation

The College Board and ETS (the College Board's test administrator) reserve the right to dismiss test takers, decline to score any test, and/or cancel any test scores when, in our sole judgment, as applicable, a testing irregularity occurs; there is an apparent discrepancy in a test taker’s identification; a test taker is improperly admitted to the test center; a test taker engages in misconduct; based on a test taker’s testing history, the validity of the score is suspect; or the score is deemed invalid for another reason, including, but not limited to, discrepant handwriting, unusual answer patterns, or plagiarism.

Pending investigations are kept confidential, but results of completed investigations may be communicated to intended score recipients, including if investigation indicates attempts to gain an unfair advantage through actions such as impersonation, use of prohibited items, or attempts to send/receive test content.

When, for any of these reasons, we cancel a test score that has already been reported, we’ll notify score recipients that the score was canceled, but we will not disclose the reason for cancellation unless authorized to do so by the test taker, there is suspected impersonation, in certain cases that affect a group of test takers, in certain cases where there is an attempt to gain an unfair advantage, or where required by law.
Testing Irregularities

Testing irregularities refer to problems or irregular circumstances or events associated with the administration of a test; they may affect an individual or groups of test takers. Such problems include, without limitation, administrative errors (e.g., improper timing, improper seating, accommodations not approved by the College Board, defective materials, and defective equipment), evidence of possible preknowledge or sharing of secure test content or responses (including analysis of test administration and response information), and other disruptions of test administrations (e.g., natural disasters and other emergencies).

When testing irregularities occur, we may cancel an administration or individual registrations, decline to score all or part of the test, or cancel the test score. We may do this whether or not the affected students caused the testing irregularities, benefited from them, or engaged in misconduct. We are solely responsible for determining whether testing irregularities have occurred, and our decisions are final. When it is appropriate to do so, we give affected test takers the opportunity to take the test again as soon as possible, without charge. These are the sole remedies available to test takers as a result of testing irregularities. Student and parents may not review scores from the affected administration before choosing the option of taking a makeup test.

Identification Discrepancies

When there is a discrepancy in a test taker’s identification or photograph on the admission ticket, the test taker may be denied admission to or dismissed from the test center; in addition, we may decline to score the test, or immediately cancel the test score.

Misconduct

When we determine misconduct in connection with a test, the test taker may be dismissed from the test center, or we may decline to score the test or may cancel the test score. Test takers whose scores are canceled due to misconduct will forfeit test and registration fees. Misconduct includes, but is not limited to:

- Removing any test questions or essay topics from the testing room, including through memorization, giving them to anyone else, or discussing them with anyone else through any means, including, but not limited to, email, text messages, or the internet.
- Obtaining improper access to the test, a part of the test or information about the test or to the test center.
- Referring to, looking through, or working on any test, or test section, other than during the testing period for that test or test section.
- Referring to, or looking through, any test or test section while leaving the answer sheet blank.
- Possessing any prohibited items such as, but not limited to, mobile phones, smartphones, smartwatches, other oral or written communication devices or wearable technology, notes and reference books, etc., in connection with the test, including during breaks.
- Sharing or other misuse of equipment, including using a calculator on a non-mathematics test or test section for which calculator use is not allowed.
• Consuming food or drink in an unauthorized manner.
• Leaving the test room without permission.
• Leaving the building at any time during the test administration, including during breaks.
• Attempting in any manner to remove from the test room any part of a test book or any notes relating to the test.
• Attempting to give or receive assistance, including by copying; discussion or sharing of test content during the test administration, during breaks, or after the test; communication with other test takers in any form is prohibited while testing is in session in the testing room.
• Attempting to take the test for someone else or attempting to have someone else impersonate you to take the test.
• Disturbing others or refusing to follow instructions given by test center staff.
• Refusing to follow any of the test administration regulations contained in the SAT Student Registration Booklet, in other registration materials, or given by the test supervisor.

Testing History Based on a test taker’s testing history, their scores may be canceled without applying procedures normally used for students under the following “Invalid Scores” section.

Invalid Scores
We may also cancel scores if there is substantial evidence that they're invalid for any other reason. Evidence of invalid scores may include, without limitation, plagiarism, discrepant handwriting, unusual answer patterns, paraphrasing of text from published sources, and essays that do not reflect the independent composition the test is seeking to measure.

Before canceling scores we notify the test taker in writing via email if possible, about our concerns, let the test taker submit information addressing them, and consider any submitted complaints. If substantial evidence still exists that the scores aren't valid, we offer the test taker options that may include voluntary score cancellation or third-party review, a free retest under closely monitored conditions, or arbitration in accordance with ETS’s standard Arbitration Agreement. When notifying the test taker about concerns, we send a copy of the booklet Why and How Educational Testing Service Questions Test Scores, which explains this process in greater detail. (Any test taker may request a copy of this booklet at any time.)

If at any time before, during, or after a review of questionable scores, we determine that test misconduct has occurred, we may treat the matter under our misconduct procedures; in that case, the options described as available for invalid scores or testing irregularities will not be available, even if those options were previously offered. The retest option is available only for tests administered in the United States, U.S. territories, and Canada. The arbitration option is available only for tests administered in the United States and U.S. territories.
Suspected Impersonation. In cases where we believe that someone other than the registered test taker took the test for the registered test taker, and in other cases where required or permitted by law, we may refer the matter to law enforcement and inform the registered test taker’s parent(s), legal guardian(s), high school, and colleges and other institutions to which the registered test taker requested scores be sent to. The registered test taker specifically acknowledges, and agrees to, such disclosure.

Reporting Misconduct or Suspicious Behavior We encourage you to report any suspected violation of Test Security and Fairness policies, or any security issues, as soon as possible to testsecurity@info.collegeboard.org.

Makeup Testing

The following policies apply to makeup testing:

- The availability of makeup testing and the conditions under which test takers are entitled to take a makeup test are at the sole discretion of the College Board.
- You may only take tests that you registered to take on the original test date. During check-in only, you may be able to change your SAT Essay option, if the supervisor can accommodate this request.
- Sunday testing is offered for religious reasons only, not for makeup testing.
- Access to scores from makeup administrations may be subject to several weeks’ delay.
- The Question-and-Answer Service (QAS) is not offered for makeup tests, even if QAS was available for the original test date.
- Waitlist registrants are not eligible for scheduled makeup test administrations.

Score Verification

You can request a more comprehensive multiple-choice hand-scored verification or essay score verification or both, up to five months after the test date, by printing and completing a Request for SAT Score Verification form, available at sat.org/verify-scores. Read the information on the form carefully before requesting this service. There is a fee for this service. If you used a fee waiver to pay SAT registration fees, the score verification fee will be reduced.
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Reporting

Score reports will be automatically sent to you and your high school and to the institutions you choose when you register.

- The colleges you choose to receive score reports will have access to a copy of your essay if you took the SAT with Essay.

- Each time you take the SAT, SAT with Essay, or an SAT Subject Test, the scores are added to your College Board record. All of your scores are reported to your high school.

- You can order additional score reports. They’ll be sent to your designated colleges 1–3 weeks after the request is received.

- If you want to change where your scores are sent, you have until 9 days after the published test date to alter your 4 free score reports at no charge. After that, you’ll be charged the additional score report request fee for any added or changed report requests.

- Score Choice lets you choose which scores are sent.

Keeping Scores on File Your test scores, your responses to the SAT Questionnaire, and related personal information that you provide to the College Board become part of your student record and are kept indefinitely, unless you tested before entering the ninth grade. To request removal of a permanent College Board student record, call Customer Service or write to the College Board, Attention Customer Service.

About Score Choice

- College and scholarship program-specific SAT score-use practices referenced in Score Choice materials are based on information provided to us by each participating college or scholarship program.

- The description of a particular SAT score-use practice in the Score Choice materials might not include every aspect of how a college or scholarship program uses a student’s score for admission decisions; additionally, SAT score-use practices for a particular college or scholarship program may change periodically and may not be automatically updated in Score Choice. We recommend that you verify the SAT score-use practices of the colleges or scholarship programs you’re sending your scores to.

- We’re not responsible for the accuracy of the information or the consequences of your decisions.

- Your high school will continue to have access to all of your scores.
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• Where you send your scores and which scores you choose to send are important decisions that you should research and consider carefully and discuss with your parents and school counselors. While we have made available the information on score-use practices provided to us by participating colleges and scholarship programs to assist you in this process, we are not responsible for the accuracy of the information or the consequences of your decisions.

Sending Scores to College and University Systems

The reports received by you, your high school, and colleges contain scores that have been converted to the College Board’s 200–800-point scale. The SAT includes additional scores that offer insights into your skill levels. The College Board doesn’t use either your raw score or your reported scaled score by itself or in combination with any other information to predict your individual future academic performance at specific postsecondary institutions. However, the College Board does help individual colleges and universities use and interpret SAT and SAT Subject Test scores. Test scores are the property of the College Board.

In certain college and university systems, once you submit your score to one school, other schools within that system will also have access to your score. However, if you are applying to more than one school within a college or university system, it is still important for you to send your SAT scores to each individual school. If you are not sure whether the school you are applying to is part of such a system, contact the school’s admission office.

If you've decided to participate in the Student Search Service, colleges and universities may identify you to provide you with materials about college admission and financial aid. Student Search Service does not report your course grades, test scores, or phone numbers to these organizations, but organizations can request student information based on a variety of criteria, which may include score range or other variables such as geographical location or expressed interests.

Scholarships Some of the scholarships in The SAT Code List have restrictions or prerequisites for eligibility. State scholarship program participants may change at any time, and the list may not always reflect the most up-to-date information. The College Board automatically reports scores to certain U.S. government and state scholarship programs, such as the Presidential Scholars Program, to be used as one source of information to recognize student achievement. The College Board automatically reports scores and identifying information (including email address) for Presidential Scholar consideration for test takers in all states, the District of Columbia, U.S. territories, and Puerto Rico, and for U.S. citizens abroad so you don't have to use one of your free score reports.

Your SAT score will be reported automatically for state scholarship programs if your mailing address or high school is in one of the following states:

• For students who meet certain specific criteria (last name and score range), North Carolina State University may provide a scholarship regardless of your state of residence.

You can stop the automatic reporting of your test scores by writing to College Board SAT Program, Attention: Confidentiality, P. O. Box 025505, Miami, FL 33102 by no later than the 15th day after the test date.
Releasing Your Scores to the New York State Scholarship Program The New York State Scholarship Program requires that New York State students who wish to be considered for the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarships and Regents Scholarships in Cornell University on the basis of their SAT scores take the SAT before November 1, 2018. The latest published SAT administration date that meets this deadline is October 1, 2018.

The New York State Standardized Testing Law requires that you specifically authorize sending all reports. Your SAT scores and other information from your record will be sent to the Scholarship Program if you authorize the release of your scores when you apply for a scholarship. To do that, answer “yes” and sign the score release statement in the scholarship application. Scholarship application forms are sent by the State Education Department to principals of all high schools in New York State in December or January. There is no fee for sending reports to the New York State Scholarship Program.

The College Board releases to the New York State Scholarship Program names, addresses, and other identifying information of seniors who registered to take the SAT prior to November 1, 2018, who are New York State residents, and who apply for scholarship(s). These are matched to student files and the scores of all students who authorized their release are sent to the program. If you do not want your name and address released for this purpose, notify College Board SAT Program, NYS Scholarship Program, P.O. Box 025505, Miami, Florida 33102.

Keeping Scores on File Your test scores, your responses to the SAT Questionnaire, and related personal information that you provide to the College Board, become part of your student record and are kept indefinitely, unless you tested before entering the ninth grade. If you test in the eighth grade or below, your scores are removed from your file at the end of the year that you tested. If you don’t want your scores removed, you must let us know before the end of June of the year you tested. Send a letter, signed by you and your parents, requesting the College Board retain your scores. Please include your name, identification information, registration number, and test date to: The College Board SAT Program, Attention: Talent Search Scores, P. O. Box 025505, Miami, FL 33102.

To request removal of a permanent College Board student record, you must call College Board Customer Service or write to the College Board, Attention Customer Service.

Ordering Older Scores The College Board cannot guarantee that older scores can always be retrieved. The normal response time for score delivery may not apply.

Official score reports sent to colleges five or more years after a test date will include a message explaining that they may be less valid predictors of college academic performance than more recent scores.
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would be. This message also notifies colleges that for SAT Subject Tests, the test taker’s knowledge of the subject may change given additional study in the area, and scores may become less valid predictors within a shorter time period.

**Students Testing in California and New York State**

The California Education Code requires that you be given certain information concerning the purposes of the tests, property rights of the test subject and test agency to the test scores, procedures for releasing score reports, and score interpretation.

Statistical information related to the use of test scores in predicting future grade point averages (GPAs) must be provided to test-takers prior to the administration of the test or coinciding with the initial reporting of test scores.

The New York State Standardized Testing Law requires that certain information concerning the purposes of the test, property rights of the test-taker, and test agency to the test scores, test fairness and equity, procedures for releasing score reports and for reviewing challenges about test questions, and score interpretation be provided to test-takers along with the registration form or score report.

The information for both California and New York State test takers is furnished in the SAT and SAT Subject Tests Student Registration Booklet and in the materials included with score reports. Complete descriptions of the content of the tests, along with information on test preparation and sample questions, are provided in the booklets The SAT Student Guide and The SAT Subject Tests Student Guide, which are available free of charge from school offices for students who plan to register for these tests.

See how to request our SAT Answer Verification Services: Question-and-Answer Service (QAS) and Student Answer Service (SAS) at [http://sat.collegeboard.org/scores/verify-sat-scores](http://sat.collegeboard.org/scores/verify-sat-scores). In addition, students who took the SAT in California in December 2017 can review the test questions under secure conditions at the ETS Western Field Office in Concord, California by calling (925) 808-2000.

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Predicting College Grades

The main purpose of the SAT is to determine the degree to which students are prepared to succeed, both in college and in career training programs. Because the SAT assesses the content that research shows matters most for college and career readiness, SAT scores provide meaningful information about a student’s likelihood of success in college. That said, the SAT should not be used as the sole source of information for high-stakes decisions.

A pilot predictive validity study was conducted in the fall semester of 2014 to give colleges and universities information about the relationship between the SAT and college grades. Under standardized conditions, 2,050 first-time, first-year students across 15 four-year institutions were administered a pilot form of the redesigned SAT. First-year college performance data—courses taken and grades in those courses— for those students provided by the institutions in June 2015 inform the relationship of the predictive validity of redesigned SAT scores. Results of this research indicate that SAT scores, in combination with a student’s high school GPA, predict freshman GPA more accurately than SAT scores or high school GPA alone. For the students in the study, the multiple correlation between both SAT scores and high school and freshman GPA is 0.58. The correlation between the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing section scores and freshman GPA is 0.51, and between the SAT Math section scores and freshman GPA is 0.49. For both sections (SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and SAT Math), the correlation with freshman GPA is 0.53, while the correlation between high school GPA and freshman GPA is 0.48. The combination of SAT scores and high school GPA raised the correlation 0.05 over SAT scores alone, and 0.10 over high school GPA alone. All correlations are adjusted for restriction of range to account for enrolled students’ narrower band of scores as compared to the wider range of scores observed in an applicant pool.

The College Board is committed to maintaining and improving the high level of technical quality of the SAT as well as its rigorous validity research agenda. The results of ongoing research into the redesigned SAT will be released as soon as they become available. Find out more at sat.org.
 Procedures to Ensure Fairness and Equity

All SAT Program test questions and editions of the tests are reviewed by external, independent educators from throughout the United States. These reviews help ensure that wording and content are unambiguous and relevant and that the language used is not offensive to or inappropriate for any particular group of students based on race/ethnicity or gender. The test as a whole includes references to men and women, as well as to individuals from varied racial, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds. Questions that were statistically harder than expected for a particular group of students to answer correctly based on their performance on other items in the test are excluded from the tests.

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Restricted Registrations

As a United States-based corporation, the College Board, along with our representatives overseas, is subject to U.S. economic sanctions, laws, and regulations. We are, therefore, prohibited from providing testing services to or accepting registrations from persons in Iran or to persons designated by the U.S. government as Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons (collectively, “Sanctioned Persons”), unless specifically licensed or otherwise authorized by the U.S. government. Payments submitted by or for such Sanctioned Persons may have to be placed in a blocked, interest-bearing account at a U.S. financial institution. If payment is not blocked under U.S. law, it may be returned to the registrant. If, however, a payment is blocked under U.S. law, the registrant may contact the U.S. Treasury Department’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (“OFAC”). The list of countries contained in this section is subject to change. Contact SAT Customer Service if you would like to obtain the current list of restricted countries. Additional information about the U.S. government’s sanctions programs and contact information for OFAC is available at http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Programs/Pages/Programs.aspx.