

# SAT School Day: The Parent Perspective

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Cost: \_\_\_\_\_ For more information, contact: \_\_\_\_\_

## Frequently Asked Questions

### WHY SHOULD STUDENTS TAKE SAT SCHOOL DAY?

Taking the SAT® is the best way to show off skills and knowledge that colleges—including those that are test optional—care about. When students take the SAT during a regular school day, they're less stressed and tired. They don't have to juggle weekend plans and responsibilities or find transportation. Learn more about why to take the SAT at [satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat-suite-benefits-students-parents](https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat-suite-benefits-students-parents).

### WHO SHOULD TAKE THE SAT?

Typically, students first take the SAT in the spring of 11th grade. If they want to improve their score, they retake it in the fall of 12th grade. The SAT tests the skills and knowledge they're learning in class and will use in college.

### HOW SHOULD STUDENTS PREPARE FOR THE TEST?

The best way students can prepare is by taking challenging courses and becoming familiar with the test and its format. Students should review the [SAT School Day Student Guide](#), along with a [practice test](#), to better understand the directions and become familiar with the types of questions on the test. Students can go to [satpractice.org](https://satpractice.org) for free personalized practice based on their prior test results (such as PSAT/NMSQT®) or diagnostic tools provided through Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy®.

### WHAT IS STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE, AND SHOULD STUDENTS CHOOSE TO PARTICIPATE?

When students take the SAT, they're asked if they would like to participate in Student Search Service™, a service that provides names of students to eligible educational organizations. The service is free to the student, but these entities pay College Board a license fee to use the service. College Board uses these license fees to support its mission-driven work. If students choose to participate, they allow colleges, universities, scholarship programs, and educational opportunity organizations to send information about the educational and financial aid opportunities they offer. Students who opt in to Student Search Service will increase their access to millions of dollars in combined annual scholarship awards. Student information is strictly monitored and secure, and individual test scores are never shared with any outside entity.

### WHEN WILL STUDENTS RECEIVE SCORES?

Score reports will be available online for students a few weeks after testing (see [satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/scores/sat-score-release-dates](https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/scores/sat-score-release-dates)).

Students who take the SAT will need to create a College Board account to view their online score report at [studentscores.collegeboard.org](https://studentscores.collegeboard.org). College Board will email students (and parents who are opted in) when scores are available. They will receive an overall test score (400–1600) as well as individual section scores, test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores. Students will be able to see which answers they got right or wrong. They will also get information on how to improve their academic skills.

## SAT School Day Dates

## Important Reminders

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2022	September	Students should review the <i>SAT School Day Student Guide</i> and the sample questions inside. At <a href="https://satpractice.org">satpractice.org</a> , students can access free, personalized, online practice that can be used to prepare for the SAT.
	October	SAT School Day administration: October 12 (makeup on October 27). Make sure your student eats breakfast and brings No. 2 pencils, an acceptable calculator, a watch (with no audible alarm), and their email address to the test administration. (If your student is homeschooled, they will have to bring a completed, signed, and notarized Student ID Form as well.) On test day, encourage your student to choose “Yes” for Student Search Service on the answer sheet to increase their access to millions of dollars in combined annual scholarship awards and to get information from colleges, universities, and scholarship programs.
	November	Talk with your student about programs of study that interest them. Students in grade 12 should research colleges and universities. Visit <a href="https://collegeboard.org">collegeboard.org</a> to help your student search scholarships and learn more about paying for college. Student score reports are made available at <a href="https://studentscores.collegeboard.org">studentscores.collegeboard.org</a> . Visit <a href="https://sat.org/scores">sat.org/scores</a> to access more information that will aid you in helping your student use their score report.
	December	Encourage your student to use free resources in the score reporting portal at <a href="https://studentscores.collegeboard.org">studentscores.collegeboard.org</a> .
2023	February	Students in grade 11 should prepare for SAT School Day test administrations in March and April.
	March	SAT School Day administration: March 1 or 22. Make sure your student eats breakfast and brings No. 2 pencils, an acceptable calculator, a watch (with no audible alarm), and their email address to the test administration. (If your student is homeschooled, they will have to bring a completed, signed, and notarized Student ID Form as well.)
	April	SAT School Day administration: April 12 or 25.
	May/June	Encourage your rising senior to visit BigFuture® at <a href="https://opportunity.collegeboard.org">opportunity.collegeboard.org</a> and complete college planning steps.

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