



2011-12  
Fee Waivers  
for the SAT<sup>®</sup> and the  
SAT Subject Tests<sup>™</sup>

## Guidelines for Families

The College Board offers a full set of services to students for whom payment of SAT<sup>®</sup> and SAT Subject Tests<sup>™</sup> fees may be a barrier to testing and applying for college. If you think you may qualify for SAT fee waivers, please work with your school counselor or an authorized agency to determine if you are eligible to receive fee waivers.



## Fee-Waiver Eligibility

Fee waivers can be used for the SAT<sup>®</sup> in grades 11 and 12. They can be used for SAT Subject Tests<sup>™</sup> in grades nine through 12.

A high school student who is a United States citizen or who is testing in the U.S. or U.S. territories is eligible for fee waivers if he or she meets one or more of the following requirements:

- Is enrolled in a free or reduced-price lunch program.
- Is enrolled in a program for the economically disadvantaged (for example, a TRIO program such as Upward Bound).
- Family's annual income falls within the levels listed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for reduced-price lunches (see below).
- Family receives public assistance.
- Family lives in federally subsidized public housing.
- Is a resident in a foster home.

## USDA Food and Nutrition Service Income Eligibility Guidelines for 2011-12

<b>NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN HOUSEHOLD</b> (including head of household) <sup>1</sup>	<b>TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME</b> (in preceding calendar year) <sup>2</sup>
<b>1</b>	<b>\$20,147</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>\$27,214</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>\$34,281</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>\$41,348</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>\$48,415</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>\$55,482</b>

1. The household size should be the number of household members plus the filer on the family's current tax statement. A student who is in foster care is considered a household size of one person.
2. Income levels are based on the USDA Food and Nutrition Service Income Eligibility Guidelines used by schools, institutions and facilities participating in the National School Lunch Program. To see the complete table of guidelines, go to [www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/](http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/) and select **Income Eligibility**.

### More than six members in the household?

To determine income levels for families with more than six household members, take the annual allowance for six members (\$55,482) and add \$7,067 for each additional member.

## How to Get a Fee Waiver

Fee waivers are distributed based on the eligibility guidelines noted here. See your authorized agency or school counselor to obtain a waiver. If you are a home-schooled student, you will need to provide proof of eligibility (tax records, public assistance records or record of enrollment in an aid program) to a high school counselor in your area.

Once your counselor determines that you are eligible, you can receive up to four fee-waiver cards. **You are eligible for only two SAT registrations and two SAT Subject Test registrations** (for example, you can't use three fee waivers for the SAT and one for SAT Subject Tests).

## Fee Waivers — the Tests and More

Fee waivers cover more than just the testing fees. When you register for the SAT or SAT Subject Tests, the fee waiver will cover:

- **The registration fee** for the SAT or SAT Subject Tests (covers the costs of up to three individual SAT Subject Tests taken on a single test day).
- **Four additional flexible score reports**, which you can order at no charge at any time after registering for the test(s), including after you have seen your scores. You are entitled to a total of four such reports regardless of how many fee waivers you use.
- **Question-and-Answer Service (QAS) or Student Answer Service (SAS)** if ordered at the time of registration. These two services help you be sure your scores are accurate by providing more information about the types of questions and how you answered them. (QAS and SAS aren't available for SAT Subject Tests.)
- Up to **four Request for Waiver of College Application Fee forms** (see the information later in this pamphlet).
- **A \$40 discount off the regular price of The Official SAT Online Course™** when you register online using a fee waiver.
- **Any fees associated with registering internationally.**

## Paying for College

The College Board offers financial aid information and an application service called CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE®. Find out more at [profileonline.collegeboard.org](http://profileonline.collegeboard.org).

## Using Fee Waivers

You can use a fee waiver to register for either the SAT or the SAT Subject Tests. Talk to your counselor about registering for these tests and verifying that you qualify for a fee waiver. If you qualify for a fee waiver, you'll get a card with a unique fee-waiver code to use for registration. Make sure to register by the regular deadline.

### Online Registration

You can use a fee waiver to register online for the tests at **sat.collegeboard.org/register**. You will be asked to enter the following information from your card: the 12-digit code, the counselor's name and the eligibility criteria you meet. You can use the fee-waiver code only once.

### Paper Registration

To register by mail, complete all required fields on the fee-waiver card. On the registration form, make sure you indicate your grade level in Item 6 and print the 12-digit fee-waiver code legibly in Item 19. Mail your completed registration form and card by the deadline (or, if testing at an international location, in time to be *received* by the deadline). All required fields on the card must be completed for it to be accepted as valid payment for test fees. Your registration will be returned unprocessed if the card is incomplete.

### Important Registration Notes

- **Fee-waiver codes are good for only one registration.** If you register with a fee waiver and miss the test day, you cannot reregister with the same fee-waiver code. You can, however, pay a fee to change your registration (change fees are not covered by fee waivers). To do this, go online or call Customer Service and transfer your registration to another test date.
- **Fee waivers may not be used for standby registration.**
- **Fee waivers may not be used for late registration, except for the October test.** Registrations with a fee waiver will be accepted until Sept. 21, 2011, for students testing in the United States or U.S. territories.
- **Test fees are not refundable**, even if you previously paid test fees that would have been covered by a fee waiver.

## Test Day

For a list of everything you need to bring with you on test day, check your Admission Ticket or review the test day tips at [sat.collegeboard.org/register](http://sat.collegeboard.org/register).

**Most important, bring yourself!** When you take the SAT or SAT Subject Tests, you can showcase your talents and skills. You open up opportunities to connect to scholarship programs and to show colleges your interest in pursuing higher education.

# Get Ready with Free and Affordable Resources from the Test Maker

## FREE RESOURCES

Go to [sat.collegeboard.org/practice](http://sat.collegeboard.org/practice) to review sample test questions, take an official SAT practice test, answer The Official SAT Question of the Day™, and get familiar with the SAT and SAT Subject Tests with other FREE online tools.

Even if you don't have access to the Internet, you can still practice with free resources from the College Board. Ask your counselor for *Getting Ready for the SAT* and *Getting Ready for the SAT Subject Tests* to get familiar with test directions and sample questions for both the SAT and the SAT Subject Tests.

## AFFORDABLE ONLINE RESOURCES

### THE OFFICIAL SAT ONLINE COURSE™



**Register online for the SAT with a fee-waiver code and get a \$40 discount on The Official SAT Online Course.**

This interactive online course is available 24 hours a day from any computer with Internet access.

The Official SAT Online Course features 10 practice tests, 600+ practice questions and immediate scoring of essays.

## AFFORDABLE PRINTED RESOURCES

### THE OFFICIAL SAT STUDY GUIDE™: SECOND EDITION



The only book from the test maker, featuring:

- 10 official practice tests
- Practice questions and essay prompts
- A complete chapter on the SAT essay
- Exclusive access to answer explanations

### THE OFFICIAL STUDY GUIDE FOR ALL SAT SUBJECT TESTS™: SECOND EDITION



Get ready for the SAT Subject Tests with official practice questions, practice tests and all-new answer explanations for all test questions. This book contains 20 SAT Subject Tests, plus an audio CD for all six Language with Listening Tests.

Updated study guides for mathematics and history tests are also available.

## The Next Step: Request for Waiver of College Application Fees

If you plan to enter college in the 2012-13 academic year and you have used a fee waiver to register for the SAT or SAT Subject Tests, you can ask your counselor for up to four Request for Waiver of College Application Fee forms. You should only send the forms with your college applications, and only to institutions listed in the *Directory of Colleges Cooperating with the SAT Program Fee-Waiver Service*. The directory is available online at **[collegeboard.org/feewaivers](http://collegeboard.org/feewaivers)**.

**Note:** The institutions listed in the directory are not obligated to waive their application fees.

### Fee-Waiver Guidelines in Spanish

This pamphlet is available in Spanish at **[collegeboard.org/feewaivers](http://collegeboard.org/feewaivers)**.

## Have Questions?

Go to **[collegeboard.org/feewaivers](http://collegeboard.org/feewaivers)** to learn more about fee waivers.

- Contact SAT Customer Service if you need help accessing information about your flexible score reports or other fee-waiver benefits:
  - Toll-free: 866-756-7346
  - Outside the U.S.: +1 212-713-7789
  - Email: [sat@info.collegeboard.org](mailto:sat@info.collegeboard.org)

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