

# The SAT®

# Fee Waiver Service

STUDENT BROCHURE



Student eligibility



Benefits of the SAT Fee Waiver Service



Information on getting an SAT fee waiver and other resources

Learn more at sat.org/fee-waivers.

2023-24

# Fee Waiver Eligibility

If you're a high school student who lives in the United States or its territories, or who is a U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S., you may be able to receive SAT® fee waivers for the paper/pencil version of the test and/or the new digital version of the test.. To be eligible, you must meet at least one of the qualifications below:

- You're enrolled in or eligible to participate in the federal National School Lunch Program (NSLP).
- Your annual family income falls within the Income Eligibility Guidelines set by the USDA Food and Nutrition Service (provided below).
- You're enrolled in a federal, state, or local program that aids students from economically marginalized families (such as Federal TRIO programs like Upward Bound).
- Your family receives public assistance.
- You are unhoused or reside in federally subsidized public housing or a foster home.
- You're a ward of the state or an orphan.

# **USDA Food and Nutrition Service Income Eligibility Guidelines for 2023-24**

NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN HOUSEHOLD (INCLUDING HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD) <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME (IN PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR) <sup>2</sup>
1	\$26,973
2	\$36,482
3	\$45,991
4	\$55,500
5	\$65,009
6	\$74,518

- The household size should be the number of household members, including the filer, on the family's current income tax statement. A student who is in foster care is considered a household size of 1 person.
- Income levels are based on the USDA Food and Nutrition Service Income Eligibility Guidelines for free or reduced-price meals used by schools, institutions, and facilities participating in the NSLP. To see the complete table of guidelines, go to fns.usda.gov/cn/fr-020923.

#### MORE THAN 6 MEMBERS IN THE HOUSEHOLD?

To determine income levels for families with more than 6 household members, take the annual allowance for 6 members, \$74,518, and add \$9,509 for each additional member.

### Benefits of the SAT Fee Waiver Service

Fee waivers cover more than just the testing fees. If eligible, you can use SAT fee waivers to cover:

- 1. **Up to 2 registration fees** for SAT Weekend. You need to be in 11th or 12th grade to use a fee waiver for the SAT.
- Up to 2 free copies of the Answer Service (paper and pencil SAT only) for more insight into their SAT scores.
   Students must order the service during registration to get it at no charge.
- Unlimited score reports, which you can order anytime
  after registering for the test or taking the SAT in school
  on a school day, including after you've seen your scores.
- 4. Waived application fees at participating colleges, as explained later in this brochure.
- Free CSS Profile® applications to apply online for financial aid from participating schools. Learn more at profileonline.collegeboard.org.
- The Non-U.S. Regional Fee for U.S. students testing internationally.
- 7. **Waived late registration fee** for students testing in areas where late registration is offered.
- 8. **Waived cancellation fee** (if you cancel your registration, your unused fee waiver benefits will be restored).

# How to Get a Fee Waiver

This year, there will be two ways for students to access fee waivers: through your school or online request process. See your school counselor or agency official to get a fee waiver code. Once your counselor or agency official determines that you're eligible, you can receive a fee waiver code to register and access your other benefits.

Starting in late Fall 2023, you can also apply directly for fee waiver benefits using the SAT Fee Waiver Request Form which you'll find at **sat.org/fee-waivers**. Once you answer a few questions, you may receive approval for fee waiver benefits within a few days. We may also need to confirm your eligibility with an adult. Once approved, the fee waiver benefits will be applied to your College Board account and you will be able to register for SAT Weekend using a fee waiver code (See Registration). If you're a homeschooled student, you'll 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.

**NOTE:** If you plan to take the SAT for the first time in August 2024, be sure to get a fee waiver code before the end of the 2023-24 school year.

#### Registration

Whether you received your fee waiver code from a school counselor/agency official or you were approved for fee waiver benefits through the SAT Fee Waiver Request Form, you can use your fee waiver code when registering for SAT Weekend at **sat.org/register**. You'll be asked to enter the 12-digit fee waiver code under **Got a fee waiver code** when you sign in to your College Board account and click on **My SAT**. Make sure to register by the deadline.

- You'll be asked to provide a photo at registration.
   Your registration will be rejected if submitted without a photo. See sat.org/photo for more information.
- You can use a fee waiver during the late registration period if you're testing in an area where late registration is offered. Be sure to check the newest testing schedule at sat.org/register.
- Fee waiver codes don't expire, but they can't be reused.

### **Important Test Day Notes**

- Review the requirements at sat.org/test-day so you have everything you need.
- Stay motivated—taking the SAT opens up scholarships and opportunities to connect with colleges.
- Be ready to agree to our Terms and Conditions.
   (Be sure to review them beforehand at sat.org/terms.)

# **College Application Fee Waivers**

If you've qualified for a fee waiver and have taken the SAT with a fee waiver or as part of an SAT School Day administration while in high school, you'll automatically receive college application fee waivers in your College Board account to use when applying to college for the 2024-25 academic year. You should submit the fee waivers along with your college applications, and only to institutions listed at collegeboard.org/waiver-colleges. If you think you're eligible for college application fee waivers but didn't receive them online, talk to your counselor.

**NOTE:** Institutions in the list aren't obligated to waive their application fees.

# Additional College Board Services Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy

Get ready for Test Day with Official SAT Prep on Khan Academy® at **satpractice.org**. It's the best way to get ready for the paper and pencil test, and it's free!

# Official Digital SAT Prep on Khan Academy

College Board has also partnered with Khan Academy to help students prepare for the digital SAT. Learn more at sat.org/digital-practice.

#### **Student Search Service**

Student Search Service<sup>TM</sup> is a free, voluntary program that connects students with information about educational and financial aid opportunities from eligible colleges, universities, scholarships, and other educational programs. These organizations pay to participate in the service, but it's free to you. For more information, visit sat.org/studentsearch.

# **Paying for College**

College Board offers financial aid information and an application service called CSS Profile. Find out more at **cssprofile.collegeboard.org**.

**REMINDER:** The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form you'll need to qualify for most financial aid opportunities opens October 1. If you're applying to colleges, complete your FAFSA as early as possible.

# **BigFuture**

Once you've decided to apply to college, you'll need a plan to make that goal a reality. At **bigfuture.org**, you'll find a college planning site filled with examples of how real students made their college choices. You can find out more about the application process, access financial aid tools, explore majors, and more.

To get started, go to **bigfuture.org** to unlock your personalized dashboard and start taking key steps to plan for college and life after high school.

### **BigFuture Career Search**

Want to learn more about your future career options based on your interests? Try our engaging, personalized career exploration tool on BigFuture<sup>®</sup>. Visit **bigfuture.org** for more information.

# **Have Questions?**

Contact SAT Customer Service if you have questions about your fee waiver benefits:

Web: sat.org/fee-waivers Toll free: 866-756-7346

Outside the U.S.: +1 212-713-7789

Online: sat.org/inquiry

This brochure is available in Spanish at sat.org/fee-waivers.