



Here is what you need to know:

- Arrive by 8:45 a.m. to check-in at school Commons.
- Location for the mock exam is in **room 2402**.
- Exam will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. It will last just under 4 hours if you take the optional essay.

Students and Parents can receive essay and feedback scores at the "**Scoresback Event**" at **SHS (room 2402)**. You will be given the opportunity to sign up for a free one-on-one score consultation after the Scoresback Event. To ensure that you receive your test score, please plan on attending the Scoresback event.

- Saturday, September 28: Mock SAT exam, 9 am – 1 pm, with essay and score feedback workshop on October 2 (6:00-7:00 pm same room)
- Saturday, March 28: Mock SAT exam, 9 am – 1 pm, with essay and score feedback workshop on April 1 (7-8pm same room)

Materials to Bring and General Advice

Bring your calculator! For calculator policies, please check the [College Board](#). Bring two or three sharpened #2 pencils with good, and clean erasers. Dress comfortably, preferably in layers since the room may be cooler or warmer than you might prefer. It is a good idea to bring a light snack, as you will have a small break. Try to avoid pure sugar snacks. A sandwich, peanuts, yogurt, etc. (healthy foods with protein) will keep you from having a sugar *high* followed by a sugar *low*.

Test Taking Hints:

The SAT test consists of these subject areas: 1) Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (Reading Test, Writing and Language Test); 2) Math (two subsections: no calculator & calculator); 3) Essay (optional).

- **Read carefully.** Consider all the choices in each question. Avoid careless mistakes that will cause you to lose points.
- **Answer the easy questions first.** Work on less time-consuming questions before moving on to the more difficult ones. Questions on each test are generally ordered from easiest to hardest.
- **Eliminate answer choices that you know are wrong.** Cross them out in your test booklet so that you can clearly see which choices are left.
- **Make an educated guess.** There is no penalty for wrong answers, so students don't have to worry about losing points for guessing incorrectly.

- **Keep your answer sheet neat.** If the machine reads marks that could be two answers for one question, it will consider the question unanswered.
- **Use your test booklet as scrap paper.** Use it to make notes or write down ideas. What you write in the booklet will not affect your score.
- **Circle the questions you skip in your booklet.** This will help you keep track of which questions you didn't answer.
- **Check your answer sheet regularly.** Make sure you are in the right place. Check the number of the question and the number on the answer sheet every few questions. This is especially important when you skip a question.
- **Work at an even, steady pace, and keep moving.** Each question on the test takes a certain amount of time to read and answer. Through practice, you can develop a sense of timing to help you complete the test. Your goal is to spend time on the questions that you are most likely to answer correctly.
- **Keep track of time.** You are given one hour to complete each test. Occasionally check your progress so that you know where you are and how much time is left.
- **Do not try to erase all of your answers.** If you erase all of the answers to one of the tests you take on a given date, all of your tests you take that day will be canceled. Remember that you can choose which scores to send to colleges.

The Day Before the Test

Spend the evening relaxing. You will accomplish very little by worrying. Read a book, watch TV or do anything else you find relaxing. You will want to feel your best when you take the test, so get a good night's sleep! Get up early enough so you won't feel rushed to get to the mock exam.

We wish you the best of luck!

Questions? Please email [May Gauvin](#) or [Jamie Froman](#).