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Subject: Response Requested: Spring 2022 SAT with Essay Invest in Kids Act Schools Establishment Survey

To: Invest in Kids Act School Principals

You can disregard this message if your school does not have any Invest in Kids Act Scholarship recipients in Grades 9, 10, and 11 for school year 2021-22. No further action is required.

As we all continue to navigate uncertainties due to COVID-19, the top priorities for the College Board and ISBE are the health and safety of students and educators. We know that you are currently focused on the start of the school year and how to keep staff and students safe. College Board and ISBE will begin to plan for the ISBE-provided spring 2022 SAT with Essay, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 School Day administrations while recognizing that a number of uncertainties may impact this planning.

<u>Public Act 100-465</u> established the Invest in Kids Act. The Act includes a five-year tax credit scholarship program for eligible students who attend qualified nonpublic schools.

A portion of the Act requires that, beginning in the 2019-20 school year, scholarship recipients shall be annually assessed at the qualified school where the student attends school in the same manner in which students who attend public schools are annually assessed pursuant to Section 2-3.64a5 of the School Code and that such qualified schools shall pay costs associated with this requirement.

Below you will find the spring 2022 tests that will be administered, the test dates, and the grades to be tested. College Board requires school staff to complete the school establishment survey annually. We ask that you complete the survey for spring 2022 as soon as possible but no later than **Tuesday, September 21, 2021**.

SAT with Essay Administration	April 2022 (Grade 11)
Primary Test Date	Wednesday, April 13, 2022
Makeup Test Date	Tuesday, April 26, 2022
Accommodated Testing Window	April 13-26, 2022
PSAT 10 Administration	April 2022 (Grade 10 Only)
Testing Window	April 13-29, 2022
PSAT 8/9 Administration	April 2022 (Grade 9 Only)
Testing Window	April 13-29, 2022

<sup>\*</sup> Note: The test form will be released only for the April 13, 2022, test date.

The alternate schedule below for SAT with Essay may be selected during the fall establishment process only if the April dates are not feasible. Please note there is **not** an alternate schedule available for PSAT 10 or PSAT 8/9.

SAT with Essay Administration	Alternate Schedule (Grade 11)
Primary Test Date	Wednesday, March 23, 2022
Makeup Test Date	Tuesday, April 26, 2022
Accommodated Testing Window	March 23-April 5, 2022

- At the time of testing, all students considered to be in Grade 11 according to state guidelines are required to participate in the SAT with
  Essay. ISBE is requiring SAT with Essay and the only means to order Essay is through ISBE. Essay can no longer be ordered directly in
  College Board's Test Ordering System. If your school wants to give SAT only (no Essay) to any of your students, you cannot use the March
  or April 2022 dates.
- Under Invest in Kids Act, Grade 12 students are not required to test.

All students classified as being in Grade 10 at the time of testing are required to participate in the PSAT 10, and all students classified as being in Grade 9 at the time of testing are required to participate in the PSAT 8/9. Materials for PSAT 8/9 and PSAT 10 are still ordered directly in College Board's Test Ordering System. Details will be shared later.

The first step is establishing schools to administer the ISBE-provided SAT School Day for spring 2022 testing. Please only establish your school via this survey if and only if you will <u>potentially have one or more Grade 11 scholarship students in spring 2022</u>. Please note: There will be an additional survey provided at a later date to establish your school for PSAT 8/9 and PSAT 10. Please click HERE (Note: The active link has been removed from this post. Please check with your principal for the active link.) to complete this online survey no later than Tuesday, September 21, 2021. Once you have completed it, College Board will provide information to appointed testing staff using the information you provide in this survey.

Below is important information to keep in mind when completing the survey:

To complete this survey, it will be helpful to have:

- Contact information for staff who will be serving in primary test day staff roles for the 2022 administration. (See Test Day Staff below.)
- Dates for any school holidays and closures scheduled between February and April 2022.
- You will need to provide a student data file securely to ISBE sometime in January (date for this is based on March or April test date selection) with all Grade 11 scholarship students and any other students (Grade 11 or 12) you choose to test. Layout for this is forthcoming.

## **Test Day Staff**

- **Test Coordinator:** Responsible for all aspects of administering the planning room and staffing, oversight of test day administration, and receiving/returning all test materials
- Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) Coordinator: Responsible for requesting accommodations and working with the test coordinator(s). Schools may have multiple SSD coordinators, but only one will be identified as the primary coordinator who will receive communications from the College Board.

## **Staff Requirements**

- Any staff member, including the coordinator, who will have access to test books before test day must not have a child or member of their household taking the same College Board test in the same window at any test site.
- Staff cannot have taken any College Board test within 180 days of test day.
- Staff cannot be engaged in any paid coaching or paid SAT test preparation. (The teaching and normal review of course content, including test familiarization that is part of regularly scheduled coursework, is acceptable.)

## Off-site Testing

- Please indicate in this survey if your school will require a site other than your high school location for testing.
- Some reasons that you may require an off-site testing location include:
  - Need to support testing expelled students at an alternate location.
  - Not enough room to test all students across all assessments.
  - Off-site testing allows a high school district to transport secure test materials to an elementary school district.)
- If you respond that you require off-site testing, College Board will contact you separately to gather more information about your off-site testing location(s).

If you have any questions while completing the survey, please contact the College Board at (844) 688-9995 or write to <a href="mailto:ilsat@collegeboard.org">ilsat@collegeboard.org</a>. It is important for all schools to provide the information no later than **Tuesday**, **September 21**, **2021**, so you may begin receiving communications to prepare for the administration. The test coordinator(s) you identify in the survey will receive an email in December to confirm your school setup is complete.

We will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation and provide any necessary updates as spring test dates draw near. Continue to check the Invest In Kids Act page regularly for any updates.

Thank you, The College Board

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