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ISBE-Provided Assessment	SAT (no essay)	SAT (no essay)
School Eligibility	The schools that were established to administer the ISBE-provided SAT in spring 2021 are listed here . Only schools listed were able to receive test materials for spring 2021.	The schools established to administer the ISBE-provided SAT in fall 2021 are listed here . Only schools listed are able to receive test materials for fall 2021 under the ISBE-provided contract.
Student Eligibility	<p>All public school students enrolled as grade 11 were required to take SAT in spring 2021 unless the DLM-AA was the more appropriate state assessment.</p> <p>Public school students who were enrolled as grade 12 in spring 2021 were rostered to test if they had no previous score or exemption. ISBE posted this FAQ to clarify which grade 12 students were allowed to test in spring 2021.</p>	<p>All public school students enrolled in fall 2021 at an established fall 2021 test site who were enrolled in spring 2021 as grade 11 and did not test are required to take SAT in fall 2021 unless the DLM-AA is the more appropriate state assessment.</p> <p>All public school students enrolled in fall 2021 at an established fall 2021 test site who were enrolled in spring 2021 as grade 12 and allowed to test but did not test are allowed to take SAT in fall 2021.</p> <p>IMPORTANT: Students who are newly enrolled as grade 11 in fall 2021 must wait until spring 2022 to participate in the ISBE-provided testing.</p>
SAT vs. SAT with Essay	Due to timing, schools received materials for SAT with Essay; however, the essay was not to be administered.	Schools will receive materials for SAT (no essay).
Identifying Test Staff and Addresses	School addresses and administrator email addresses were provided to the College Board by ISBE in fall 2020. Test coordinators were identified by school administrators via responses to the annual fall survey. District/school staff must ensure data in ISBE's Entity Profile System are updated on a consistent basis.	Test coordinators and school addresses will be listed in the College Board Test Ordering Site (TOS). Test coordinators are encouraged to confirm that the address listed in TOS is correct. If a change of address or staffing update is needed, test coordinators should call College Board Customer Service at (844) 688-9995, option 1.
Ordering Materials for the Primary Test Date	Standard material orders were automatically calculated and shipped based on the number of students pre-identified in ISBE's Student Information System (SIS). Accommodated materials orders were automatically calculated and ordered based on students in the pending and approved status in Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) Online by certain deadlines.	<p>School staff will order standard and accommodated materials in TOS by September 15, 2021.</p> <p>The primary test date is October 13, 2021, and the accommodated testing window is October 13-26, 2021.</p>
Ordering Makeup Materials	School staff submitted a makeup survey to obtain makeup materials for April 27, 2021, and/or May 18, 2021.	School staff will order applicable makeup materials for the October 26, 2021, makeup administration between October 13-15, 2021, in TOS.



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Tracking Materials	Tracking numbers were emailed to test coordinators.	Tracking numbers for shipments are available only in TOS.
Homeschooled Students	Students who are homeschooled were required to test at an established school only if they were receiving instruction in English language arts (ELA) or mathematics from the public school in spring 2021 and were classified as being in grade 11 at the time of testing. School staff were responsible for ensuring these students were enrolled correctly in SIS.	Students who are homeschooled and enrolled in an established fall 2021 test site in fall 2021 may test only if they were receiving instruction in ELA or mathematics from the public school in spring 2021 and therefore were required or allowed to take SAT in spring 2021.
Pre-ID	ISBE submitted a registration file to College Board on behalf of all participating schools.	Pre-ID registration is not supported.
Pre-ID Labels	Pre-ID labels were automatically sent to schools for use on the answer sheet for all students who were Pre-ID'd in ISBE's SIS by the posted deadlines. Students were still required to fill in their name, date of birth, and student ID number on their answer sheet as a verification.	Pre-ID labels are not available. Students are required to fill in a minimum number of fields in order for the answer sheet to process (e.g., name, date of birth, nine-digit state student ID number, etc.).
Accommodations for SAT	Students must have College Board accommodations entered in SSD Online prior to the accommodations deadline. State-Allowed accommodations are available.	Students must have approved College Board accommodations in SSD Online prior to the ordering deadline to allow orders for accommodated materials to be placed in TOS. State-Allowed accommodations are not available.
English Learner (EL) Supports	EL supports were offered for SAT. Extended time was required to be entered in SSD Online.	EL supports are offered. Extended time must be entered in SSD Online. IMPORTANT: Students who were entered in SSD Online for spring 2021 EL supports will need to be re-entered for fall 2021.
Training	Training for the ISBE-provided administration is required to be completed every year in the spring.	Standard SAT School Day training is required to be completed by coordinators. Test coordinators will receive a call-to-action email asking them to complete training prior to test administration.
Off-site Testing	School staff were required to submit off-site testing plans if they wanted to test students at a location other than their established school.	Schools needing off-site testing locations do not need to submit a request for approval. Schools will order materials for all testing locations.
Communications	School staff received emails from ISBE or customized emails about state testing from College Board.	School staff receive standard College Board communications about fall testing and may occasionally receive custom emails from ISBE.
Publications	School staff received some publications specific to the ISBE-provided administrations.	School staff receive standard College Board publications, including manuals.



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Grade-Level Adjustments	School staff were not required to complete an invoicing process.	School staff should complete an invoicing process in TOS after testing is complete to ensure that the grade levels listed for students in TOS are correct for invoicing and reporting purposes. ISBE will receive the invoice only for students listed in grade 11 or 12 who were required or allowed but unable to test in spring 2021. Schools will be invoiced for any students listed in grades other than 11 or 12. Test coordinators will receive an email with instructions on how to complete this process when it is time to do so.
Fee Waivers/Fee Reduction Benefits *Schools can choose to deliver School Day benefits to students either through the fall or spring process. For more information on School Day benefits, visit https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/fees/fee-waivers .	Schools will receive a file of fee waiver codes in the K-12 College Board Reporting Portal to provide to students. These fee waiver codes provide the same benefits as using the fee reductions in the fall.	Schools can order fee reduction benefits in TOS during the ordering process. Fee reduction benefits provide students with additional opportunities to take the weekend SAT for free. After testing is complete, schools will identify the students in TOS who are eligible for the benefits, which will be delivered automatically to student College Board accounts. This provides the same benefits as using the fee waivers in spring.
Online Score Reporting for Students	Scores began to release starting on May 5, 2021, in student College Board accounts.	Scores are released to students on standard score release timelines in student College Board accounts.
Online Score Reporting for Educators	Scores are released only to educators in the K-12 College Board Reporting Portal after the answer document verification window and accompanying activities are completed, typically in June. ISBE posts scores in SIS, typically in July.	Scores are released to educators on standard score release timelines . Scores are available in the K-12 College Board Reporting Portal.
Released Forms	Only the primary SAT test form was released. Educators can see the disclosed questions and answer choices in the K-12 College Board Reporting Portal.	The ISBE-provided fall 2021 SAT test forms are not released.
Invoicing	Schools are not invoiced for assessments.	Schools will be invoiced for assessments and grades for which orders are placed that fall outside of the ISBE-provided assessments and grades. For example, ISBE is providing SAT only for students who were required or allowed but unable to test in spring 2021.