



DB Academics Test Prep Programs PTSA Fundraisers

A Blog About Our Programs

We get it! Students come to our programs on weekends, afternoons or evenings after they have spent a long day and a long week in school. They're tired and they certainly don't want to sit through a tedious prep class. We truly make a concerted effort to make our classes as interesting and as interactive as we can. Our programs are a blend of lecture, guided practice, and independent practice, with instructional games and interactive activities. We also give away stuff (Baskin-Robbins, Starbucks, and In-N-Out Burger gift cards).

Introduction to the Redesigned SAT

The redesigned SAT transitions from a test replete with esoteric questions and reading passages, isolated skills assessment, and "outside the box" thinking, to a test that is a much better measure of a student's college readiness. The redesigned SAT minimizes the effectiveness of test prep predicated on tricks, gimmicks, and playing the process of elimination game.

The SAT is now concept-driven, mitigating creative guessing strategies. Students are required to not just know "how," but to also know "why" and "what does it mean." Many of the reading passages are similar to the type of reading required in social science courses in college. On the math side, there are computation problems as well as many problems that measure a student's level of conceptual understanding. Effective test prep requires effective teaching.

The redesigned SAT is very different from the current SAT, and initially it may seem rather daunting, but students absolutely can prepare for the redesigned SAT just as effectively as they could for the old SAT.

6-hour SAT Prep Boot Camp

- ▲ 6 instructional hours
- ▲ Cost: \$150 per student
- ▲ Class size: 25 students maximum

Description: Prep for the redesigned SAT!

Test-taking strategies and approaches as well as a discussion of the most commonly tested concepts

10-hour SAT Prep Boot Camp

- ▲ 10 instructional hours
- ▲ Cost: \$195 per student
- ▲ Class size: 25 students maximum

Description: Prep for the redesigned SAT!

Instruction and Practice Test!

Test-taking strategies, approaches, the most commonly tested concepts and ample practice

Note: Students have the option of taking English only or Math only.

6-hour ACT Prep Boot Camp

- ▲ 6 instructional hours
- ▲ Cost: \$150 per student
- ▲ Class size: 25 students maximum

Description: An excellent review of the key concepts as well as test-taking strategies and approaches

10-hour ACT Prep Boot Camp

- ▲ 10 instructional hours
- ▲ Cost: \$195 per student
- ▲ Class size: 25 students maximum

Description: Instruction and Practice Test!

An excellent review of the key concepts, test-taking strategies and approaches as well as ample practice

Note: Students have the option of taking English only or Math/Science only.

SAT or ACT Prep Practice Test

- ▲ Cost: \$20 freestanding
\$15 in conjunction with SAT or ACT Prep Boot Camp

Note: The percentage split between DB Academics and PTSA for all programs will be 70%/30%.