

## **SAT with Essay Information**

On Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Overland High School will be administering the SAT, free of charge to all 11<sup>th</sup> grade OHS students.

The SAT is comprised of four test sessions, covering topics in Reading, Writing and Language, and Mathematics. While all students will participate in these four sessions, a fifth session, the SAT with Essay, is optional for all students. Since only some colleges and universities require the SAT with Essay, we recommend that your student check the websites of prospective schools or consult with his or her counselor to see if it would be necessary. Students who choose to participate in this extra test session will complete it after finishing the other four sessions of the SAT on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Please see the accompanying SAT with Essay informational flyer. This document explains further details related to the SAT with Essay, including instructions on how to register. Students who are interested in taking the SAT with Essay must opt-in to this test session for it to be included in their test day on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019. This must be completed by February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019. No action is required for students who are not interested in adding the SAT with Essay to their test day. All Overland High School juniors will automatically be signed up to take the four SAT test sessions covering Reading, Writing and Language, and Mathematics.

### **Additional Information**

The essay registration window is Jan. 15 – Feb. 12, 2019. This will be the only opportunity for students who wish to take the optional essay to add it to their April school day test registration. Students may add the essay to their registration through their online College Board account or by calling the College Board. Schools will not receive extra essay materials for test day changes, therefore please be sure students register during the window.

- The SAT with Essay is scored separately from the SAT. A student's score on the essay will not improve or reduce their score on the SAT.
- The essay may be required by some colleges and universities. To find out a particular school's essay policies go to: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/college-essay-policies>
- Students taking the SAT with essay must be tested in a separate room from students taking the SAT without essay. The SAT with essay will take approximately one hour longer than the SAT without essay.
- The optional essay is only offered as part of the 11th grade SAT. There is no essay option for the PSAT 8/9 for 9th graders or the PSAT 10 for 10th graders.

If you have any questions, or if you need assistance adding the optional SAT Essay to your student's test day on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019, please contact your student's counselor or Holly Crittenden at (720) 747-3404.

# The Optional SAT with Essay in Colorado

11th-grade public school students in Colorado can add the SAT® with Essay to their SAT School Day registration for free. The Colorado Department of Education will cover all fees so you can take the SAT with Essay during the school day on April 9, 2019.

## About the SAT with Essay

- The SAT with Essay will take approximately one hour longer than the SAT.
- It's your choice. You decide whether or not to take the SAT with Essay.
- The SAT Essay is scored separately from the SAT and does not impact your Evidence-Based Reading and Writing score.

For more information about the SAT Essay, visit [sat.org/COessay](http://sat.org/COessay)

## Why Take the SAT with Essay?

The SAT Essay lets you practice your skills and gives you a chance to show colleges that you're ready for college-level writing assignments. Some colleges may specifically require it as a part of the admission process (we recommend that you confirm admission policies with your school of choice).

To look up the essay policies for different colleges and scholarship providers, visit [sat.org/COessaypolicy](http://sat.org/COessaypolicy)

## It's About the Real World

The SAT with Essay is a lot like a typical college writing assignment that asks you to analyze a text. It shows colleges you're ready to get to campus and write.

You'll have 50 minutes to:

- Read a passage
- Explain how the author builds an argument to persuade an audience
- Support your explanation with evidence from the passage

Go to [sat.org/COessayscore](http://sat.org/COessayscore) to find out what the SAT with Essay measures and how it's scored.

## Register for the SAT with Essay

You can take the SAT with Essay at no additional cost. You must register between **January 15 and February 12, 2019.**

### REGISTER ONLINE:

Register online before 10:00 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) on February 12, 2019, using your College Board account.

- 1 Go to [sat.org](http://sat.org) and sign into your College Board account. If you've forgotten your username or password, click the link to recover them. Please do NOT create a new account. Once you're signed in, click on your username in the upper right-hand corner. Then select "My SAT."
- 2 If you do not have a College Board Account, go to [sat.org](http://sat.org) and click "Register Now." Choose "Sign Up" and complete the required fields (name, sex, DOB, email address, expected HS graduation date) to create your account. Click "Continue" on the SAT Registration page. Review and complete the "Personal Info," "Your High School," and "Your Mailing Address" screens. You may be asked to provide "Your Previous Registration Number." Choose "Yes" and enter the registration number provided by your counselor.
- 3 Select "Change Registration" from the My SAT homepage. If you don't see your registration listed here, call customer service at 866-917-9030 for assistance.
- 4 Select "Add the essay to my registration" from the Change Your Registration page."
- 5 Once the "Add the essay to my registration" link is selected, a confirmation message will appear. Click "OK" to continue. Congratulations! You're registered for the SAT with Essay. If you decide later on that you would like to remove the essay from your registration, sign into your College Board account and select "Remove the essay from my registration" before **February 12, 2019**. Test day changes to add or remove the essay will not be allowed.

### REGISTER BY PHONE:

1-866-917-9030, select Option 2.  
 Hours: Monday – Friday  
 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. MT