

Dear Parents and Students:

Your son will soon be taking the SAT or ACT as he prepares to continue his journey in the area of post-secondary education. All students at Saint Louis School are required to take the PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholar Qualifying Test) in their freshman, sophomore, and junior years. Students who do exceptionally well on the PSAT/NMSQT in their junior year are eligible to become qualifiers for prestigious national scholarships. The cost of the PSAT/NMSQT is included in your son's tuition and fees.

SLS requires all students to take either the SAT or the ACT in their junior and/or senior years. Fee waivers are available for those students who fall within the Federal government's low-income guidelines. The following information is taken directly from the College Board's website. We have a limited number of fee waivers available. If your son qualifies for a waiver please contact the Business Office at 739-4871.

Eligibility Criteria

Eligible students must be in the 11th or the 12th grade to use fee waivers for the SAT. Students may be in any grade of high school, 9–12, to use fee waivers for SAT Subject Tests.

If a high school student requests a fee waiver, he or she must meet at least **one** of the following guidelines, subject to your confirmation:

- Be enrolled in a free or reduced-price lunch program.
- Be enrolled in a program for the economically disadvantaged (for example, a TRIO program such as Upward Bound).
- Come from a family receiving public assistance.
- Come from a family living in federally subsidized public housing.
- Be a resident in a foster home.
- Have an annual family income that falls within the levels for reduced-price lunch set by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service, as noted below.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN HOUSEHOLD (including head of household) ¹	TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME (in preceding calendar year) ²
1	\$20,147
2	\$27,214
3	\$34,281
4	\$41,348
5	\$48,415
6	\$55,482

1. The household size should be the number of household members plus the filer on the family's current tax statement. A student who is in foster care is considered a household size of one person.

2. Income levels are based on the USDA Food and Nutrition Service Income Eligibility Guidelines used by schools, institutions and facilities participating in the National School Lunch Program. To view the full table, go to www.fns.usda.gov/cnd and select "Income Eligibility."

More than six members in the household?

To determine income levels for families with more than six household members, take the annual allowance for six members (\$55,482) and add \$7,067 for each additional member.

Note: Fee-waiver eligibility may be subject to audit. Make sure to complete the counselor section on the front of every fee-waiver card you distribute.

More than Just a Waiver

The SAT and the SAT Subject Tests are more than just tests — they are keys to college. In turn, fee waivers offer more than just the waiver of test fees. An eligible student can take advantage of all the following services for free or at a reduced rate:

- Up to two registrations for the SAT and up to two registrations for the SAT Subject Tests — a total of four fee waivers. One fee-waiver card covers one SAT registration (\$49 value) or up to three SAT Subject Tests on one test day (\$66 maximum value).
- Four additional flexible score reports, which can be ordered at registration or after the student has received his or her scores (\$42 maximum value).
- The Question-and-Answer Service (QAS) or the Student Answer Service (SAS). Students must order the service when registering to receive it at no charge (\$18 maximum value).
- A \$40 discount off the regular price of The Official SAT Online Course[™] with any online registration using a fee waiver.
- Coverage of the international fee and security surcharge (\$53 maximum value).
- Up to four Request for Waiver of College Application Fee forms. The *Directory of Colleges Cooperating with the SAT Program Fee-Waiver Service* lists colleges and universities that have agreed to consider waiving their application fees. For a copy of the directory and more information on the fee-waiver services and benefits, go to www.collegeboard.org/satfeewaivers.