June Counselor Newsletter

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

College Board Counselor Summer Institute 2022

The 2022 Counselor Summer Institute is open now for <u>registration</u>! Join us from August 2–4 to learn from counselor and higher education leaders and national school counseling and scholarship organizations for helpful guidance, insights, and strategies around the college admissions process. This event is for secondary counseling professionals of all experience levels.

August 2:

- The Pandemic Learning Curve: Research, Data, and Trends for the College Admissions Community, 10 a.m. ET
- "Post" Pandemic Possibilities: College Admissions Insights, 1 p.m. ET
- It's a Tightrope: Legal and Ethical Issues for Counseling Professionals, 3 p.m. ET

August 3:

- Helping the Helpers: Counselors, Compassion Fatigue, and Burnout, 10 a.m. ET
- At Your Fingertips: What U.S. Counselors Need to Know About the Digital SAT® Suite of Assessments, 1 p.m. ET
- "Post" Pandemic Possibilities: Beyond the Basics in Financial Aid, 3 p.m. ET

August 4:

- "Post" Pandemic Possibilities: College Advising and Student Support Program Spotlight, 10 a.m. ET
- In Our Care: Student Mental Health Realities, Recommendations, and Resources, 1 p.m. ET

 The College Admissions Decision Process in a Post Pandemic Environment, 3 p.m. ET

All webinars are one to one and a half hours long and allow you to earn 0.1-0.2 continuing education units (CEUs).

Register Now

Counselor Workshops 2022

Registration for the 2022 Counselor Workshops is now open! This year's workshops will continue providing timely updates on College Board programs and higher education trends so you're ready to support your students for the 2022-23 school year.

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Counselor Webinar Series

We've concluded our monthly series for the 2021-22 school year. If you missed one of our webinars, it's not too late! All of our webinars are available for viewing on-demand and offer free CEU credit. <u>Register now.</u>

SAT SUITE OF ASSESSMENTS

Weekend SAT

Registration is open for the summer and fall SAT administrations only. Encourage your college-bound students to secure a seat for August, October, November, or December. <u>See upcoming dates.</u> Registration for spring 2023 dates will open for students in the fall.

Students typically take their first SAT in the spring of their junior year and then retake it later in the year. It helps them build a strong college application, and most students who retake the SAT improve their score. Even if your students are planning to apply only to test-optional colleges, encourage them to take the SAT in case they decide they'd like to include their score as part of their application. Learn more.

Remind <u>fee-waiver-eligible students</u> who took the SAT once that they can take it again for free. Eligible students can view their benefits by signing in to their College Board account.

In-School Assessments

• Test Ordering

Order test materials for the 2022-23 SAT Suite of Assessments—SAT School Day, PSAT/NMSQT®, PSAT^M 10, and PSAT^M 8/9—on the <u>test</u> ordering site.

Score Reports

View your students' scores from the April SAT School Day administrations by logging in to the <u>K-12 score reporting portal</u>. Students can access their scores by logging in to their <u>online score report</u>.

Check out the <u>Understanding Scores and Benchmarks</u> SAT resources page and learn how scores are structured, what they mean, and how to interpret benchmarks as well as color-coded score ranges to help assess your students' college and career readiness.

Digital SAT Suite of Assessments

For all the latest on our transition to a digital SAT Suite of Assessments, please visit <u>sat.org/digital</u>. For information about administering the digital SAT at weekend test centers, visit our <u>coordinator's website</u>.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT®

Celebrate Your Success-Happy Summer!

The new school year will be here before we know it. Whether it's over the summer or in the fall, make sure your students know how to access their <u>AP®</u> <u>scores</u>. Here are some ways to help your students ramp up for the new school year:

- There are more free resources than ever before to help your students learn and feel confident in their AP classes. Encourage your students to keep <u>these five tips</u> in mind as they start the school year.
- <u>This action plan</u>, broken out by season, will help your students stay on track with their AP courses next year.
- Motivate students to start their AP courses with enthusiasm by reminding them of the connections the courses have to their future. <u>Explore courses</u>.

BIGFUTURE

Congrats, Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to these juniors—<u>Ariana Davidson at Sharon Senior High</u> <u>School in Sharon, Penn.</u>, and <u>Kaylee Greelish at Sickles High School in</u> <u>Hillsborough, Fla.</u>—who were recently surprised at their school when they learned they'd won \$40,000 scholarships from BigFuture® for taking such college planning steps as building a college list and practicing for the SAT. Shout out to their counselors, Amy Croach and Jessica Braun, for supporting their students through this journey!

Every month through February 2023, BigFuture is awarding two \$40,000 scholarships and hundreds of \$500 scholarships to the class of 2023 for completing college planning steps. Next drawing will be on May 31. Students can save six colleges at <u>bigfuture.org/startyourlist</u> or take a timed mini-section or diagnostic quiz at <u>Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy®</u> to become eligible.

Share <u>this flyer</u> (.pdf/141 KB) and encourage your juniors to make the most of their summer by completing different college planning activities on BigFuture.

Stay updated on the latest from BigFuture on the new **<u>BigFuture Blog</u>**.

Coming Soon: New Career Exploration Tools

We want to give you advance notice that our career exploration resources, currently found in the <u>Career Finder</u>[™] tool, will transition to <u>BigFuture</u> Career Search this summer. We'll be sharing more information in the coming months about our new career exploration tools that will help all students effectively plan for life after high school.

Please note that we're emailing all recent users of Career Finder who have a career plan saved in their account to download a copy of these plans by July 31, 2022, so that they continue to have access to their information.

Download Student Plans

NATIONAL RECOGNITION PROGRAMS

Remind Your Students to Apply

College Board's National Recognition Programs award high-achieving students from underrepresented backgrounds. The application closes June 15 at 8 p.m. ET, so please encourage your eligible sophomores and juniors to apply before it's too late! Eligibility rules are available on our website—click below to see which of your students may qualify.

Learn More

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

AP: How do I access scores?

In order to access <u>AP Score Reports for Educators</u>, all authorized AP teachers, AP coordinators, principals, and district administrators must have a College Board <u>professional account</u>. You may already have a professional account if you've used College Board online services such as AP Registration and Ordering, AP Classroom, the AP Course Audit, or AP Potential[™]. Only teachers authorized through the AP Course Audit for the current year that AP score data has been released have access to their students' exam scores online. In May, College Board will email access codes to AP coordinators and principals who are designated on their school's participation forms.

School administrators who don't currently have AP Course Audit or AP Registration and Ordering access will need an access code to view 2022 scores online. If you need help getting access, please contact us via the <u>AP</u> <u>Services for Educators Contact Form</u>.

PSAT-Related Assessments: How do I access scores?

Your institution designates one or more access managers to grant educators access to the K–12 reporting portal. If your school receives SAT scores electronically, your access code is sent to your contact for SAT scores. Access codes are also sent to test coordinators at schools that order PSAT/NMSQT materials. The access manager will use the Managing Access tool to assign access to other users at their school. Once you have permission, you can log in to your College Board professional account and view score reports.