Fee Waivers

The SAT Program Fee-Waiver Service is designed to help students for whom test fees represent obstacles on the road to college. The student must apply for a fee waiver through your school counselor or CAP Advisor. The student is eligible for fee waivers if he/she is:

- An American citizen or a foreign national testing in the United States, Puerto Rico, or United States territories
- An American citizen living outside the United States, who meets the financial eligibility guidelines
- A home-schooled student (you must provide proof of eligibility to your local high school fee waiver administrator/counselor, who will provide you with the fee waiver card for the appropriate test and no more than four Request for Waiver of College Application Fee forms)
- Foster Students also qualify through some schools, if you have any problems getting this waiver from you counselor contact Educate Tomorrow for assistance.

The first step you must do is to have your student contact his or her school counselor. To register online using a fee-waiver, the student’s school counselor will provide you with the online registration fee waiver identification number. When registering online, you will be asked to enter your fee waiver identification number, your school's six-digit code, plus the fee waiver identification number -- which are the numbers on the fee waiver card. The fee waiver identification number can only be used once. The school counselor should also have forms to waive application fees for particular schools. Many schools will waive fees if they see SAT fees have been waived first. The best thing your student can do is keep in open communication with both College Board and the schools he/she is applying to as both are generally very helpful and willing to waive fees for students who need it. College Board prefers contact through their website, www.collegeboard.com or call their main office at (212) 713-8000. You can contact their southern regional office at (800) 927-4302.

To register by mail using a fee waiver, obtain an SAT Registration Bulletin along with a fee waiver card from your counselor. Mail the fee-waiver card along with a completed registration form by the regular registration deadline. You must send in the entire card or your registration will not be processed. Your Registration Form will be returned to you if the fee waiver card is missing or improperly completed and your registration will be delayed.

However, Fee waivers are not accepted for late or standby registrations. Also, if you used all four fee waivers your junior year, you are not eligible for fee waivers the following year, and you will have to pay the registration fees to take the test.