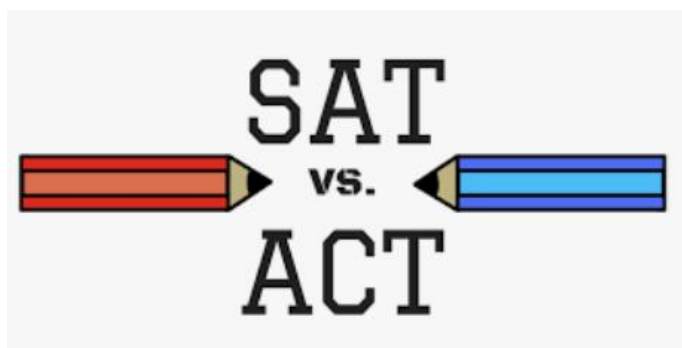


November

College & Career Speaker Series--College Admission Exams: SAT & ACT



9th- 12th grade students and parents are invited to attend a College & Career Speaker Series session on College Admission Exams. This event is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 8, 2023, from 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm** in the SHS Library.

Join Goldstein Test Prep founder Mike Goldstein to discuss changes to the SAT and ACT testing landscape including:

- Changes to the *NEW* Digital SAT
- The importance of test scores in different admissions policies, including score-optional admissions
- Determining whether the SAT or ACT is best for you
- Major differences between the two tests

The program will include a Q&A session in which participants can ask any questions.

Interested **PARENTS** register here on the Guidance website: [PARENT RSVP](#)

Interested **STUDENTS** register in their SchoolLinks account <https://app.schoollinks.com/dashboard> under the **School Events** tab or contact your school counselor to sign up. Students must communicate their attendance for this event to their teacher. Students click on “**Log in with Active Directory**” if it does not automatically log you in.

Graduation: Thursday, May 30, 2024

Graduation Orders -- Seniors: Order your senior graduation announcements, accessories and cap/gown/tassel unit. The cap/gown/tassel unit must be ordered through Jostens. A representative from Jostens will be at SV on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, during lunches for graduation questions/ordering.

- The price of the cap & gown unit (which includes the TASSEL needed for graduation) is **\$24.00 + fee/tax = \$27.43 total**
- Grad Orders will be closed on January 15, 2024
- **Once orders close the Official Custom Designed School Announcements are no longer available to purchase**
- **Orders can be placed online, click HERE for Seneca Valley's direct link**
- Cap & gown unit (which includes the TASSEL needed for graduation) are shipped to the school and are handed out during graduation practice in May
- Questions call Jostens at 724-553-5217

Advanced Placement Exam Registration

CollegeBoard

AP

Finalizing an AP exam order is a **two-step process** – in addition to creating an account and ordering exams at **totalregistration.net**, all students need to create a **MyAP** account at **myap.collegeboard.org** to access their AP classroom and indicate that they will be taking the exam. We strongly recommend that both parent and student are present to ensure that all required information is entered and the correct exam is ordered.

Registration Site Access and Cost

The **2024 AP exams** are ordered online through **Total Registration** – access the site the following ways:

- Direct web address: www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/395465
- **Total Registration** icon on the senior high guidance webpage (select **Testing** then choose **AP**)
- **AP Registration** link in “*site shortcuts*” on the senior high webpage

AP Exam Fees and Deadlines

Regular registration – October 1, 2023 through October 31, 2023 – **\$101 per exam.**

Late registration – November 1, 2023 through November 9, 2023 – **\$126 per exam.**

**Regular and late AP exams registrations that are not fully paid by Thursday, November 9, 2023 will be canceled and exams will not be ordered.

Post-registration – November 10, 2023 through March 8, 2024 – **\$166 per exam.**

Last possible date to order an exam (all late charges apply) – March 8, 2024.

**Post-registrations that are not fully paid by Wednesday, March 13, 2024 will be canceled and exams will not be ordered.

Alternate testing requests – If approved, fee will be determined based on AP policy allowances and administration expenses.

Two-Step Ordering Process

1. Selecting and Paying for an AP Exam in Total Registration

This is the first step of the registration process that allows students to select and pay for an AP Exam.

- When entering your email select a **personal email account** that you access regularly since all exam information will be sent to this - **DO NOT** use your school email account.
- All required questions must be completed - you will receive an email request to verify your information.
- When prompted, select the **course, instructor and period** of your AP class.
- Payment must be submitted by **credit/debit card or check** made payable to **Total Registration, LLC** (if choosing to mail your payment you will be prompted to print a mail-in payment voucher).
- Registration is complete when a **pdf confirmation** appears at the end of the registration process.

2. Entering a Join Code in MyAP to Indicate Testing Preference

This is the second step of the registration process and finalizes the exam order.

- Once in your **MyAP** account, select **Join a Course or Exam** and enter the unique join code for each exam you ordered - you will then change your exam order preference from **“undecided”** to **“yes.”**
 - Students in a **traditional AP course** were provided a join code with directions for enrolling in the correct section of their AP classroom - If you haven't already joined your AP classroom, the code will be generated once you complete the Total Registration exam order.
 - Students in a **cyber AP course** will not have access to an AP classroom - you will obtain an **exam only** join code after completing your Total Registration order.
- Students who already used a join code to register into an AP classroom only need to verify their testing preference after completing the Total Registration exam order in Step 1.

SENIORS: A new FAFSA will be available in December!



Seniors and their parent (s) can create their FSA ID accounts in anticipation of completing the FAFSA in December. More information to follow, however, the student and/or parent contributor (s) must apply 4 days **before** the FAFSA application can be completed to allow time for verification and FSA ID. Access the following **FAFSA Tip Sheet** for more details.

SAVE THE DATE: Seneca will provide a FAFSA (virtual) Completion Session for parents and seniors on **Monday, December 18, 2023, from 6:00-7:30 pm**. Sign-up can be found on the SHS Guidance webpage under College & Career Informational Events, then FAFSA completion sessions or click here: **[FAFSA COMPLETION SESSION](#)**

Senior Class and College Applications



Seniors are reminded to process all applications and teacher letters of recommendation through our new College & Career Readiness platform: **SchoolLinks**. Students and parents can track the status of all requests to see when documents have been sent to colleges and universities. Access pertinent transcript, college processing information, and how-to guides on the Guidance website **HERE**.

9-12th Grade Students interested in the Healthcare Profession:



Robert Morris University is partnering with Seneca Valley and several other high schools with a virtual **Healthcare Professionals High School Mentoring Program** during the 2023-2024 school year. The goal of the program is to enlighten and educate students about the varied career opportunities in the healthcare industry. Students will participate with professionals and current RMU students devoted to sharing information about the particular healthcare topic. A question-and-answer period and networking will be available at the end of each session. Students can earn certificates after participating in five Zoom sessions. The healthcare sessions will be taped and available to view to earn credit.

November 15, 2023 - Health Services Administration

December 13, 2023 - Nursing

January 17, 2024 - Health Sciences

February 14, 2024 - Psychology

March 20, 2024 - Pre-Medicine

TBD 2024 – RMU visits SV for student certificates & final recognition

Students register by following the instructions:

- Login to SchoolLinks/CLICK on SCHOOL EVENTS TAB (at top): Find RMU HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS, CLICK on the topic and “REGISTER FOR THE EVENT”
- The virtual meeting link will UNLOCK at event start time (11:30 am)
- IN-PERSON students meet in the SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ROOM 229 (2ND FLOOR)—Bring your laptops, earbuds/headphones. CYBER STUDENTS can join at event time from home.
- THESE SESSIONS WILL BE TAPED! Students who cannot attend day/time can request and view the taped version to get credit.

Contact your school counselor with any questions.

Scholarships

Access **SchooLinks** and go to **Finances** and then to **Scholarship Matching** to review national scholarship opportunities. Local and some state scholarships we receive throughout the school year will be posted on **SchooLinks** under the **District Posted** tab. For more information about other scholarship searches and tips visit our website **HERE** and be sure to download the ***SV Guide to Scholarships & Grants***.

2023-2024 COLLEGE CHECKLISTS

All 9th-12th grade students can now access a planning calendar for SV College & Career events and timeline for meeting college planning goals on the Guidance website. Access these grade level checklists **HERE**.

SAT and ACT Testing

Check for upcoming test/registration dates to meet fall application deadlines. Check our Testing page on the Guidance website for details **HERE**.

Don't forget to follow the school counselors for more events and reminders on Instagram:



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