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Award-Winning
College Prep Genius Class





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Our Philosophy

Since 2004, COLLEGE PREP GENIUS has provided affordable and effective SAT and PSAT prep classes to students across the United States. The curriculum was developed by home educator, Jean Burk, who did not have the financial resources to send her children to college. When she discovered the SAT & PSAT/NMSQT were the keys to getting huge scholarships, she began to research the tests to understand how to prepare her children for it. She discovered that these tests could be taught! They weren't IQ tests, but rather critical thinking exams. After both her children earned full scholarships, Jean began teaching these secrets to other high school students. In creating her SAT prep class, Jean wanted to empower every student—regardless of financial means—to have access to the best tools to conquer the SAT so they could take control of their destiny in terms of achieving higher education. Her program College Prep Genius is the culmination of more than a decade of research, classroom experience and SAT expertise.

Most students don't get the test score they want because tests like the SAT/ACT/PSAT/CLT... are logic and not content-based. The questions are purposely misleading and the wrong answers are tricky and easy to pick. Also, with about a minute per question, most students don't finish the test on time; but they can learn to answer questions in 30 seconds or less. The good news is that these type of tests are learnable and beatable!

Our Advantage

Why is the *College Prep Genius Boot Camp* Different Than Other Test Prep Programs?

UNIQUENESS –Students do not need to learn thousands of vocabulary words or relearn high school math to ace the test. The SAT/PSAT are logic and critical thinking tests and require understanding the principles of reasoning-not content memorization.

EFFECTIVE AND AFFORDABLE –Families shouldn't be set back financially for a program that may not deliver as promised. College Prep Genius' goal has always been to provide a cost-effective program that brings test success for every student.

PROVEN RESULTS –Watch out for promises of increased scores that are often grandiose and arbitrary. College Prep Genius has been around 16 years with a track record of numerous many students raising their scores 300-700 points on the SAT and as much as 9 points on the ACT.

Many testimonials at CollegePrepGenius.com/testimonials

How Can *College Prep Genius* Help Your Students?

GAIN AN EDGE –A 4.0 GPA is not the same at every school. The SAT is the only numerical scoring system colleges use to rank applicants because it is standardized, and it levels the playing field nationwide.

30 SECONDS OR LESS –The SAT only gives students about a minute per question, but College Prep Genius teaches how to answer each question in 30 seconds or less giving you twice as much time as you need to answer the question.

INTERACTIVE CLASS –Rote memorization is irrelevant to the actual SAT/PSAT/ACT/CLT but College Prep Genius teaches relevant strategies that are reinforced in the class as students work actual problems and immediately learn why the wrong answers are wrong.

HELPS ALL STUDENTS- –Most students, even smart ones, bomb the SAT. The questions are purposely misleading, and the wrong answers are tricky and easy to pick, but we show students how to discern and eliminate these types of answers quickly and correctly.

COVERS SAT, PSAT, ACT, CLT AND MORE –No need to pay for separate prep for other tests. We prepare you for both the SAT and PSAT and our test-taking strategies cross over to other tests such as the ACT, AP, Subject tests, CLT, etc.

Why Does Your School Need to Raise Their Overall SAT Scores?

DISTRICT RANKINGS –Schools are ranked on their average SAT scores-good or bad. Many schools we’ve taught at have surpassed other districts in overall scores.

NEW STUDENTS –Families often move into a school district based on test scores. Your school can stand out and have families lining up to enroll their students.

STRESS-FREE MARGINS –Parents are often stressed about the margins but when the SAT scores are raised, teachers and students can relax; there can be more freedom in the classrooms and less pressure on the teachers and students.

BRAGGING RIGHT –Schools are in intense competition within districts to showcase their talented students in areas such as academics and sports. Adding National Merit Scholars and Achievers for juniors as well as huge scholarship numbers for the seniors is a coveted bragging right that can set your school apart.

FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE –Students don’t have a lot of extra time with their busy schedules. Our program can be adapted to your school’s needs with a formatting that can be delivered during the school day, afterschool or weekends.

Our Advantage

FREE UP COUNSELORS –We can take test prep off the plate of your guidance counselors who already have enough to do. They often receive pressure from parents and students on how to help them raise their test scores. Allow the experts to help your students reach test success!

MANAGEABLE HOURS –Weeks of class time or afterschool labs are unnecessary. College Prep Genius is approximately 12 hours of training and can be taught in a 2 or 3-day format or a one-and-half hour 8 week sitting for local DFW, TX schools.

NOT LEFT HIGH AND DRY –Students only retain a small percentage of what they hear the first time. Students will also receive the online eCourse as a bonus so they can see and hear the information again to solidify the information, so they can apply it appropriately and internalize the test-taking techniques..

START EARLY –We highly recommend students as young as 6th grade take our program. Exposing them earlier helps with test-maturity and to lessen test-anxiety.

TIME ON YOUR SIDE –High school students only get busier as they get older so to take pressure off them later, learning test-taking skills early puts time on their side. These strategies can also help them on other school tests such as AP exams.

4-Step Program

The nature of all College Board and various tests remains the same for every grade level with very minimal differences between the SAT , ACT, CLT and PSAT/NMSQT. Our program teaches the same foundational strategies in our all classes, emphasizing specific skills in each of the three grade levels.

Johns Hopkins (Other Talent Searches) prep for 7th -8th graders

Many high-achieving middle school students take the SAT/ACT as a qualifying test for talent searches or gifted programs. Our program for these students emphasizes proven reading and writing techniques and gives specific strategies for attacking math problems that the student has not learned in class yet.

PSAT Prep for 8th -10th graders

The PSAT does not contain an essay, so students taking the live boot camp will learn specific information about the National Merit contest and application process. Also skill strategies and drills are geared toward the information covered on the PSAT 8/9.

PSAT/NMSQT Prep for 11th graders

The junior year counts for the National Merit Scholarship contest in October. Students can learn to ace the test and qualify for perks such as full-ride, free tuition, room and board, monthly stipends, grad school money...

4-Step Program

SAT Prep for 11th-12th graders

Our premier award-winning and highly acclaimed program covers the strategies and skills needed to ace the SAT. Students learn tips and techniques that can help them improve in all three sections (Reading, Writing and Math) of the test. They can even learn to write a perfect scoring essay.

Test Prep for All Students

Prepping for standardized exams is crucial for students so they can become trained test-takers; this can also help them on numerous tests in high school, college and beyond.

College Prep Genius complements your school's academics since the program teaches pertinent shortcuts, patterns and rules that are specifically found on tests like the SAT, ACT, PSAT and CLT and not necessarily taught in regular classes.

Quick Facts For Live Classes

Cost

*\$395 per course (Continental US)

*\$295 for siblings

\$150 repeat course for alumni

**A limited number of full scholarships provided on a case-by-case basis.*

***Special pricing for students with reduced/free lunches.*

Title One schools can receive this special discount with a minimum of students.

Upon request, College Prep Genius can send our grading scale tuition for schools that are paying for a large amount of students.

Registration

Online

Mail/Register at school

Class Size

10 student minimum at \$395

Siblings and alumni are counted as half students.

No maximum (provided sufficient space)

Class Dates

The boot camp can be held during consecutive school days, after school, weekends or a combination. E.g. Friday night/Saturday day. (DFW TX classes don't have to be consecutive.)

Materials

115 Page Workbook

390 Page Textbook

Bonus eCourse

(one-year membership)

Video lessons for review

Daily Homework Guide

Journal for Success

Essay Templates

Score Tracker

Webinar Library

more

Each student receives the above materials with every class.

Time

12 hours in total

Two day class (6 hours each)

Three day class (4 hours each)

8 day class (1 1/2 hour-local DFW, TX area) with 20 minimum at regular price)

Students are free to retake any part of a class that they miss due to scheduling conflicts since there are no refunds.

Options

Schools can also facilitate a class using our videos or host a virtual boot camp. Contact us at 817.282.7737 or info@collegeprepregenius.com

Strong Reputation

COLLEGE PREP GENIUS has provided test prep to numerous public and private schools, and in turn has helped tens of thousands of high school students achieve SAT success. Some of our institutions include:

PRIVATE SCHOOLS			
SCHOOL	NAME	PHONE	EMAIL
Calvary Christian, Fort Worth, TX	Sue Tidwell	817-332-3351	s.tidwell@calvaryacademy.com
Fort Worth Christian, Fort Worth, TX	Kelly Cantrell	817-520- 6511	kcantrell@fw.org
Trinity Christian, Addison, TX	Tracie Harrison	972-931-8325	tharrison@trinitychristian.org
Mason Classical, Naples, FL	Christy Lewis	813-299-2736	christie.lewis@ymail.com
American Christian School, Succasunna NJ	Kristen Brennan	973-584-6616	kbrennan@acs-nj.org
Lake Country Christian-Ft. Worth, TX	Stacey Gamez	817-236-8703	sgamez@lccs.org
Trinity Christian, Willow Park, Tx	Robbie Watson	817- 441-5897	watson@tcaeagles.org
Burton Academy, Arlington, TX	Ellen Thomas	817-572-0081	Ellen.Thomas@burtonacademy.org
Carmel Christian, Matthews, NC	Teresa Currier	704-849-9723	curriert@carmelchristian.org
Coram Deo Academy, Flower Mound, Tx	Nancy Heath	972-360-9127	nancy.heath@coramdeoacademy.org
Willow Bend Academy, Plano/Lewisville, TX	Robin Bollinger	972-599-7882	rb@willowbendacademy.org
ISchool, Lewisville, TX (charter)	Shawnda Runyan	972-317-2470	srunyan@responsiveed.com
Providence Classical, Spring, TX	Carmen Watson	281-796-0156	cwatson@pcsclassical.org
Garland Christian, Garland, Tx	Cathey Ondrusek	972-487-0043	condrusek@garlandchristian.com
Chisolm Trail Academy, Keene, Tx	Buddy Keubler	817-641-6626	Okeubler@cta.school
North Dallas Adventist Academy-Dallas, TX	Melanie Wolfe	972-234-6322	wolfem@ndaacademy.org
Faith Christian, McKinney, TX	Toni Gore	972-562-5323	tgore@fcamkinney.com
St. Ignasious, Ft. Worth, TX	Thang Nguyen	817-658-8623	Principal@IgnatiusOfLoyola.org
Denton Calvary Academy, Denton, Tx	Resa Curbo	940-320-1944	rcurbo@dentoncalvary.org
Legacy Christian, Frisco, TX	Daniel Townsley	469-633-1330	daniel.townsley@legacyca.com
Tempe Prep Academy, Tempe, AZ	Karin Moffitt	480-839-3402	kmoffitt@tempeprep.org
Liberty Christian, Argyle, TX	Toni King	940-294-2000	kingt@libertychristian.com
Dallas Christian, Mesquite, TX	Tammy Seabourn	972-270-5495	tseabourn@dallaschristian.com
Nolan Catholic High, Fort Worth, TX	Ryan Faller	817-457-2920	rfaller@nchstx.org
American Heritage Academy, Carrollton, TX	Bob Spralding	972-416-5437	bobs@starsaha.org
Lakeland Christian, Lakeland Florida	Christy Lee	863-688-2771	clee@lcsonline.org
ABS Bilingual School, Chiang Mai, Thailand	Amporn Garmolgomut	053- 053-308935-6	cec_amp@hotmail.com
SHAPE Academy, Granbury, TX	Tracy Mann	817-736-2952	tracymann@shapeacademy.com
John Paul II Catholic High, Schertz, TX	Andrew Iliff	210.601.0920	www.johnpaul2chs.org
St. Joseph's Catholic, St. Bend, IN	Susan Richter	574-233-6137	srichter@saintjoehigh.com
Providence Catholic High, San Antonio, TX	Evelyn Griess	210-224-6651	egriness@providencechs.net
Pantego Christian, Fort Worth, TX	Jay Tinklenberg	817-460-3315	jtinklenberg@pantego.com
Midland Classical, Midland, TX	Susan Abbott	432-699-3289	abbotthome@suddenlink.net
Harvest Christian, Watagua, TX	Tracie Gates	817-485-1660	tgates@hcasaints.org
Ambelside, San Angelo TX	Chad Swearingen		swearingencj@hotmail.com
Texoma Christian, Sherman, TX	Kathy Howard	903-893-7076	kathy.howard@texomachristian.org
Nazarene Christian Academy	Mary Ann Spaun	817-781-8766	mspaun@dot11net.net
Covenant Christian Academy, Colleyville, TX	Tami Peterson	817-281-3222	tpeterson@ccanet.org
Incarinate Word, San Antonio, TX	Monica Solis-Hoefl	210-829-3110	hoeflm@uiwtx.edu
Trinity Christian, Cedar Hill, TX	Brandi Calvery	972-291-2505	BCalvery@trinitychristianschool.com
Central Catholic, San Antonio, TX	Laura Zamora	210-225-6794	lzamora@cchs-satx.org
St Anthony's, San Antonio, TX	Maggie Alaniz	210-832-5613	mbalaniz@uiwtx.edu

Strong Reputation

PUBLIC SCHOOLS			
SCHOOL	NAME	PHONE	EMAIL
Grapevine High, Colleyville, ISD TX	John Doughney	817-251-5513	john.doughney@gcisd.net
Martin High School, Arlington, TX	Susan Kingden	682-867-8625	skingden@aisd.net
Brewer High, Fort Worth, TX	Michelle Nichols	817-367-1200	mnichols@wsisd.net
Western Hills High, Fort Worth, TX	Cari Bounds	817-815-6030	cari.bounds@fwisd.org
North Crowley High, Crowley, TX	Angie Wilkinson	817-657-1677	angie.wilkinson@crowley.k12.tx.us
Crowley High School, Crowley, TX	Mike Mundt	817-357-2607	mundt@crowley.k12.tx.us
Anna High, Anna, TX	Mindi Vandagriff	972-924-1100	mindi.vandagriff@annaisd.org
Van High, Van, TX	Mr. Giles	903-963-8623	gilesb@van.sprnet.org
Sam Houston, Arlington, TX	Roslyn Burch	682-867-8200	roburch87@gmail.com
Birdville High, North Richland Hills, TX	James Murphy	817-547-8037	james_murphy@birdville.k12.tx.us
Eagle Pass High, Eagle Pass, TX	Dora Cumpian	830-773-2381	dcumpian@eaglepassisd.net
Van Alstyne High, Van Alstyne, TX	Shana Sorrels	(903) 482-8803	ssorrels@vanalstyneisd.org
Godley High, Godley, TX	Angela Angeley	817-389-3190	aangeley@godleyisd.net
Lamar High School, Arlington, TX	Carol Wilson	817-867-8300	lwilson@aisd.net
Robert G. Cole High, San Antonio, TX	Becky Smith	210-368-8730	bsmith@fshisd.net
Azle High School, Azle, TX	Laurie Wheeler	817-444-5555	lwheeler@azleisd.net
Celina High, Celina High, TX	Carrie Crane	469-742-9102	ccrane@celina.com
Winn High, Eagle Pass, TX	Margaret Mejia	830-757-0828	mmejia@eaglepassisd.net
Frisco ISD, Frisco, TX	Brenda Russell	469-633-6580	RussellB@friscoisd.org
Granbury High, Granbury, TX	Victor Saucedo	817-408-4044	VICTOR.SAUCEDA@granburyisd.org
Tolar High, Tolar, TX	Mr. Hudson	254-835-4316	whudson@tolarisd.org
Topsail High, Wilmington, NC	Tricia Urban	910-256-5076	tricia@udgonline.com
Young Men's Leadership Academy #083, Ft. Worth, TX	Rodney White	817-815-3400	Rodney.White@fwisd.org
Crandall High, Crandall, TX	Laurie Blair	972-427-6150	lblair@crandall-isd.net
John Horn High, Mesquite, TX	Alicia Upton	972-882-5275	aupton@mesquiteisd.org
Splendora High, Kingwood, TX	Barbara Bell	281-689-8008	
Colleyville Middle, Colleyville, TX	David Arencibia	817-309-4900	david.arencibia@gcisd.net
Young Women's Leadership Academy, Ft. Worth, TX	Tamara Albury	817-815-2400	Tamara.Albury@fwisd.org

For more information, strategy videos, taped testimonials and to see how we stack up against other companies, visit collegeprepgenius.com/testimonials

College Prep Genius is ranked in the “[Top Ten Best In-Person SAT Prep Classes](#)” by The Best Schools. View our [25 unsolicited awards](#).

School Reviews

“We had College Prep Genius at our school a couple of years ago. We took the information and implemented into a study group using Jean’s material. All our students raised their scores from 300-500 points. This class is amazing!”

–Toni Gore (Faith Christian Academy)

“Since Jean has been teaching at our school for the last couple of years, our SAT scores have surpassed several school districts. Our merit scholarships have increased from one million to five million! You could pay a lot more money at another prep class and still not get the amount of information found in her class. I learn something new every time I sit in on a class.”

–Dr. Sheryl Hamilton (Dallas Christian School)

College Prep Genius: The No-Brainer Way to SAT Success, has been a helpful addition to our junior curriculum. For the past few years, all of our juniors were mandated to take this two-day course which we provided during the school day. The positive feedback includes awareness of the importance of preparation, strategic strategies toward success on the test, helpful hints in time saving strategies, and a positive attitude that this preparation produced among most of our student body.”

–Evelyn G., Providence Catholic School

The class is wonderful. Our students have enjoyed the class and learned strategies to improve test scores. Jean has also conducted an in-service for our math and English teachers to teach them testing strategies to use in their classes. I would recommend this class!”

–Lea D., Assistant Principal Brewer High School

We have only had College Prep Genius here three times, and our test scores are at the International Baccalaureate level. We will keep them coming!”

–Christy L., Lakeland Christian School

School Reviews

To teachers: This course is just the ticket for students who need an extra boost in their SAT score or who have never taken it before. My daughter took this course as a Freshman and her score dramatically increased on the PSAT. She is in the National Merit competition as a result. The cost of this course is the best deal around for the results you see. Jean makes the course fun. The students are not just taking practice test after practice test. She gives them real strategies and shows them “how” to take the test with confidence. Like any SAT prep course, if your child does not practice the strategies, you will not see results, but practicing what you learn will from Jean will definitely produce positive results. Thanks Jean for providing such a wonderful service to our students!

–Regina W., Teacher Brewer High School

Because of Jean Burk, our students at Burton Academy have learned it is critical to begin early preparing for the SAT and just as importantly how to study for the test. The students seem more confident with their skills and abilities therefore, taking the SAT just does not seem as scary as it once did.”

–Ashley O., Burton Academy

Jean did an excellent job in presenting this material in a way that was entertaining and relevant to the students. I was excited to see my students’ enthusiasm for taking the SAT by gaining a better understanding of how the test is put together. If students take this class and then put in a little extra test prep work each day, there’s no telling how high their SAT scores can go. And in today’s economy, scholarship money for high SAT scores is priceless.”

–Linda G., Denton Calvary Academy

I love your program and I think when students really put forth the effort, it can make a huge difference. I would be glad to give an endorsement on how I believe in the program and how convenient and affordable it is. I have appreciated having College Prep as a resource for our students.”

–Tracie G., Harvest Christian Academy

School Reviews

Although some of our students that take the class do not initially want to, they are because their parents are making them. They have come back to me and said they learned so much and were very glad that they had gone. I would say about 90% of our students who have taken your class have raised their scores at least 100 points.”

–Vicki C., Lake Country Christian School

College Prep Genius taught a 15 week (one hour class per week) at Coram Deo which recently finished in December. The stats of the juniors who took the College Prep Genius class and then the test showed an average raise in score of 214 points (2 students increased 610 points on the SAT) and the PSAT average score raise was 29 points (one student increased 50 points)! It was also determined that CPG and Dr. Art Ricciardi were the most popular electives offered by the school – the Fall class filled up two days after being opened!”

–Kathy S., Coram Deo Academy

College Prep Genius is a concise program that equips students with test-taking strategies that take the fear out of the exam. Our students consistently score 100-150 points higher on the actual SAT right after the class.”

–Kelly C., Fort Worth Christian School

We have had students who took the course, practiced, and improved their PSAT scores by 30 points or more! I think the course is beneficial for anyone, but what really makes a difference in the scores is practicing the techniques the class teaches. If the school plans to orchestrate/mandate that, I believe they can expect significant improvement across the board.”

–Carmen W., Providence Classical Academy

School Reviews

I had an student who did not do well on SAT – plateaued at 1200 pts, could not get it up any – so I let her use the CPG Success Book and her score jumped 200 points. When asked how she did it, she said: ‘I just did what the book said.’ So I am sold and are glad you came to our school!”

–Tyler D., Western Hills High School

College Prep Genius is a great product, a great value, and great service for our students!”

–Robin B., Willow Bend Academy

Loved it! Was wonderful at every turn. Near cried wishing I had this knowledge when I was young. This is my second sitting and I never cease to be amazed at the speed, accuracy and overall efficiency for decoding, attacking and commanding the SAT.”

–T Currier (former) counselor at Carmel Christian in Matthews, NC

“We are a Title One school and the first time College Prep Genius taught around 50 students, six became National Merit Hispanic Scholars.”

–Dorian Cumpion, Eagle Pass High School, TX

“This is the best prep program-our boys loved it and we saw amazing score improvements! We only want Jean Burk and her class taught here at the Young Men’s Leadership Academy.”

–Teresa Acevedo, YMLA secretary

Student Testimonials

“I raised my SAT score 400 points! I not only was a competitive applicant for several top colleges and great scholarships, but I also received a full-ride to NYU. Thanks College Prep Genius!”

–Isaiah R. (Los Angeles, CA)

“Fantastic Class! Mrs. Burk and her team provided me with all of the important and necessary info. There were tips and strategies that helped me improve my SAT score by 200 points!”

–Hannah F. (Seminole, FL)

“Thanks to you I made a 700 on the writing Section and a 10 out of 12 on my essay!! Thank you so much College Prep Genius!!”

–Tyler B. (Fort Worth, TX)

“My SAT was a 2040 and my PSAT score was good enough for National Merit. Thank you so much for your help! I’m really enjoying your program.”

–Alaina C. (Redford, MI)

My son Buddy raised his score SAT 600 points and received \$230K to go to Brown University for FREE! My second son, Brennan received full-rides to several Ivy-League schools because of his SAT score. My third son Michael also received several full-rides including Harvard and Rice. I owe College Prep Genius 1.7 million dollars! Thank you so much!

–Joe Y., parent (Keene, Texas)

In my opinion, just learning about the test itself is nearly half of the challenge. College Prep Genius helped my 133 PSAT score to go to a 208, and helped my first SAT to rack up a 2100!

–Cameron C., student (Michigan)

Video testimonials at collegeprepgenius.com/testimonials

Tracking Success

Students who learn the logical patterns behind standardized test questions, as well as our innovative strategies, can increase their test scores tremendously. The only way to evaluate improvement is through the use of actual SAT exams. We do not use homemade diagnostic or practice tests. We encourage students to take a real or practice SAT written by The College Board before taking our class.

All our company testimonials are based on actual SAT or PSAT/NMSQT improvement. We encourage students to report their actual test performance, but for privacy purposes these reports are not mandatory. Many in-house diagnostic tests can be biased and may not predict actual test improvement. Our company bypasses this by relying on the disinterested results of real College Board tests.



Course Guarantee

Although many of our students have raised their scores between 300-700 points on the SAT, 9 points on the ACT, we do not guarantee a specific point increase. We believe success comes from motivation, not evaluations. If any student is unhappy with a particular class, they are invited to retake the class free of charge. If a student has been proven to complete the course, watched the videos, passed the quizzes, did all the follow-up homework, taken many practice tests, retaken another official SAT and is still unhappy, a refund can be given on a case-by-case basis within a six month period of the class.

Special Accommodations

Students with special needs are typically handled on a case-by-case basis. One option that has been effective is allowing parents to sit in on the class with their children. For students with learning disabilities this encourages them to focus and provides extra support at home when going over the materials. The bonus eCourse link of the entire class is included with tuition, which can help students work at their own pace and go over sections that might be confusing to them and reinforce what was learned.

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School Funding

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Some of Our Instructors

Dr. Art Ricciardi



Before entering a career in teaching, Art Ricciardi worked as a field biologist for a very large electronics firm in Dallas. He continued his education by obtaining a M.Ed. at Regent University and an Ed. D. at Whitefield Theological Seminary. In addition to founding a school, he served elsewhere as a Middle School Principal, as Vice President of Educational Services for a nationally renowned Christian educational foundation, and as adjunct professor at Regent University. He is the proud parent of two married children and five grandchildren!

Dr. Paul Jessen



Over the years, Paul Jessen has taught numerous courses involving communication-thinking-reasoning-speaking-writing at Penn State University, Portland State University, and UOP. He also taught Bible and religion courses at Salem School of the Bible, Long Beach Bible College, and UOP. Paul and his wife have three grown children, are grandparents, and are celebrating 35 years of marriage.

Donna Steir



With over 25 years of classroom and homeschool teaching experience, Donna Steir loves challenging teens to excel. As a graduate of the University of Kentucky with a B.S. in Botany, Donna taught science and math in South Florida Christian middle and high schools for over ten years. Passionate about classical education, she has directed Classical Conversations programs in Challenge B, Challenge 2 and Challenge 3. She and George, her husband of nearly 25 years, have been involved with homeschooling their two sons from kindergarten through high school. After witnessing dramatic improvements in the SAT scores of her son and other students, Donna enthusiastically desires to share the College Prep Genius program with teens and their parents so that they can also achieve PSAT and SAT success!

Some of Our Instructors

Fayee Czarnik



Fayee Czarnik is a homeschooling mother of two daughters. She married her college sweetheart, Richard, and has been married for over 25 years. Fayee resides in Kingwood, Texas. After graduating from Texas A&M University with a degree in Psychology, Fayee went on to earn a Master of Social Work from the University of Houston.

Through the twist and turns of life Fayee fell in love with teaching. She has taught in both private school and home schooling settings for over 10 years. Fayee is enthusiastic about helping students find their passion and fulfill their dreams through education.

Katie Petersen



Katie is an undergraduate at Princeton University, majoring in Philosophy, with 3 years' experience in test prep tutoring. Her love for the English language has taken her to invest time in reading and writing outside of the classroom as a writer and editor with The Daily Princetonian. During her time at Princeton, she has also volunteered as a tutor at a New Jersey state correctional facility and advised high school juniors and seniors on the college application process. After taking the College Prep Genius program when she was in high school in Charlotte, North Carolina, she went on to earn a SuperScore of 2340 out of 2400 on her SAT. She looks forward to sharing CPG's test-taking strategies with students and empowering them to achieve their own SAT and PSAT success!

Michele Damron



Before she came to us, Michele earned a BA in English and an MA in Technical Communication. She is a self-professed grammar geek and worked for over 10 years in the publishing field. In her local Classical Conversations homeschool group, Michele taught English grammar and composition to 4th to 6th graders for four years, and then taught 7th graders in the Challenge A program for 4 years. She continues to teach toddlers' group in Sunday School at church, and leads her Ladies' Bible Study group.

Michele's other great loves are her husband and two sons. Married since 1994, she and Jonathan enjoy running (especially in the cooler months) and competing in 5- and 10K races. The family lives in Florida, where they are grateful for the sunshine and the warmer weather; they feel especially thankful in winter when the rest of the U.S. shivers in the cold. We're as delighted to welcome Michele as she is excited to help students learn the strategies which will lead to their success on the SAT and ACT.

Reading Section

How to cut your Critical Reading time in half by learning the five main question types in all the passages and how to put them in the correct order. Skip up to 75% of the passages. Discover the four recurring tricks hidden in the answer choices and eliminate them first. Avoid the most common mistake people make on the Dual Reading Passage section. Learn how not to be fooled by certain questions. Find out which words in the answer choices are paramount to circle. Know the secret to analyzing the charts in the passage.

Math Section

Discover how to rarely use the calculator and avoid long calculations. Solve math problems in 30 seconds or less. How to eliminate 2-3 answers right off the bat. The hidden math pattern that screams “this is the answer”! Learn how wrong answers point you to right answer. Know why the order of the answers is so important. Understand what to do with unknown variables. Memorize three easy geometry rhymes to help your remember formulas. Realize the fastest way to answer a fraction question and how to dismantle a scary problem.

Writing Section

The cool pattern that appears up to 75% of the time. Understand why the writing section is more important than ever and can no longer be ignored. Learn the 3 types of questions: What is being tested on a question with a prompt question and answers are varied; What is being tested without a prompt question and answers are similar; What is being tested with a question that doesn't have a prompt and the answers are varied.

The Essay

Why to write the essay even though it is "mostly omitted". How to write a great essay in 30 minutes (50 minute time frame) Have at least 75% written before the test. Find out what are the essay judges are looking for. Why the passage topic doesn't matter. Learn the biggest key to an amazing essay. Avoid making the most common timing mistake. How to make the best use of all the lines provided and what is the perfect length for the essay since it is also formulaic like the rest of the test.

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