

Eric Wolpert - Tutoring Structure / Policy

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This document outlines everything you need to know about my tutoring. I've tried to keep it as concise as possible!

1. Where I Tutor

My tutoring takes place online through Google Meet. I share my screen and use a digital pen to walk through problems.

2. How I Tutor

Before coming to a session, students should complete and score a practice SAT math test found in the [Bluebook](#) software. These are official practice tests created by the College Board that better represent the digital SAT than *any other resource*.

Students then come to each session with a list of problems to review, and we spend our time going through each of those questions in-depth. The goal is that the student understands each problem well enough to explain it themselves.

For a more detailed look at how I teach the SAT math, see <https://learnsatmath.com/strategy/>

3. Trial Sessions

For new students, I offer a *free* 30 minute trial session. During the trial session, we can talk about the student's SAT experience and goals, work through practice problems, and answer any questions the student has. Then, the student and parent can make a more informed decision on whether they want to have tutoring on a recurring basis.

Trial sessions can be booked [here](#). After you book the session, I'll need to confirm the booking. Once I've confirmed, you'll receive an email with a Google Meet link, and I'll hope to see you at the session time! This email also gives you a button to cancel the session if needed.

4. Payment Options

I currently offer 3 payment options for SAT Math tutoring:

- a. On-Demand Tutoring - ~~\$75/hr~~ **\$55/hr**

Single tutoring sessions that are scheduled via email or text and paid for AFTER the session takes place. These are good if you don't want many sessions or are unsure how many you'll need. It's a flexible option with zero commitment.

However, for students that are committed to SAT Math tutoring and would appreciate a discount, I offer two bundles.

b. 8 Hour Bundle - ~~\$600~~ **\$395**

Pay a flat amount in advance for 8 hours of tutoring sessions. Although I recommend 8 1-hour long sessions, if students would prefer a different allocation, I'm happy to make that work. Ideally these sessions are at recurring times, but I'm able to work around students' schedules. After 8 hours of sessions, we typically get through 3-8 practice tests, and I estimate students will improve their scores by **30-80 points**, although I have had a student improve by 100 points in just 8 sessions!

c. 20 Hour Bundle - ~~\$1500~~ **\$945**

Same as the 8 hour bundle but with 20 hours of tutoring sessions. We typically get through 8-16 practice tests, and I estimate students will improve their scores by **60-150 points**. This plan has the lowest hourly rate by the way!

I believe the bundles are the best option for most students. By committing to a set number of sessions, it establishes a recurring schedule that makes studying easier for the student, scheduling and payments easier for the parent, and planning easier for me.

We can discuss which option to choose during the trial session or through email.

Payments are through Venmo, unless an alternate option is necessary.

Venmo: **@EricWolpert**

5. Missing Sessions

If a student is going to miss a planned session, I ask that I'm notified ***at least 30 minutes before the session start time***. As long as I'm notified before that 30 minute mark, the session can be canceled or rescheduled without any penalty. I have yet to see a private tutor with a more lenient cancellation policy.

If a session isn't canceled by that time, then the ***full price*** of the session will be expected to be paid.

If a student is late to a session, that doesn't change the duration or price of the session.

6. Progress

All SAT tutoring is ultimately building up to the exam. Ideally, students take their first SAT in their junior year and take the SAT multiple times (since many colleges only look at the highest score of each section).

When tutoring sessions start, students should commit to an SAT date and we'll work together to come up with a frequency of sessions and workload between sessions that'll progress the student at their desired rate.

As stated in point 2, my tutoring revolves around *practice tests*. Scores on these tests will be tracked to give students an idea of their progress. Here's an example:

 **EXAMPLE - DSAT Progress Sheet**

Granted, a lot of progress happens naturally *over time*. 10 tutoring sessions over 10 days would yield much worse results than 10 sessions over 3 months. That's not to say that higher frequency sessions (i.e. multiple sessions a week) would be useless, but rather that there are diminishing returns as you increase session frequency.

7. Additional (Optional) Resources

The only resources the student needs for tutoring are a computer or tablet and the [Bluebook](#) practice tests.

However, if students are interested in doing *additional* practice outside of practice tests, I can recommend these resources:

- [UWorld](#) (\$79-179+) - 1000+ online practice problems with very good explanations (a better alternative to Khan Academy)
- [College Panda SAT Math Book](#) (\$28) - Essentially an SAT Math textbook that covers every single topic on the test with practice problems
 - [College Panda \(website\)](#) (\$24) - Online version of the book above

8. Communication

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