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Dear Test Coordinator

Last week, you may have heard about changes the College Board is making related to the SAT Essay. This email is just to confirm there **are no impacts to students for the 2020-2021 school year**. The essay option continues to be available for the 2020-2021 school year to any Idaho student who opts into it during the window.

Adding the optional essay to their SAT registration is an individual student choice.

Students who wish to take the essay must register for it in their own College Board account by **February 5, 2021, by 10 p.m. Mountain**. Bulk registration for the SAT Essay is not available.

Please review the attached *Optional Essay FAQ* resource document for information on frequently asked questions, and the *Optional Essay* flyer to review the step-by-step process for students to register for the optional Essay.

Students may add the essay to their registration through their online College Board account or by calling the College Board at 855-373-6387, Option 2. Please share the attached informational brochure with students and their families to help them in making their decision about the SAT Essay.

In addition, the resources below can help students and families understand more about the essay.

- About the Essay
<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/inside-the-test/essay>
- College Essay Policies
<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/college-essay-policies>
- Essay Scoring Guide
<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/scores/understanding-scores/essay>
- Sample prompts and practice materials
<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sample-questions/essay>

If you need additional help, please contact us at IdahoSDSupport@collegeboard.org, or smccue@collegeboard.org.

Thank you.

