



# BESPOKE EDUCATION

## Summer 2022 Course Catalog

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Register on our website at [www.bespokeeducation.com/classes](http://www.bespokeeducation.com/classes).

**Note:** Classes must reach a minimum enrollment of 4 students to run as planned.

Refer a friend to a summer class, and we will credit you \$50 for every referral. We are happy to arrange a **custom class** to meet your student's needs. Contact [info@bespokeeducation.com](mailto:info@bespokeeducation.com) to discuss.

## Skill-Building Courses

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### Grammar Bootcamp

July 12 - August 2

TTh, 3:00 - 5:00 PM

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[Register here](#)

Grammar is a tricky business, and most of us shy away from the stress of subject-verb agreement and the tedious rules of punctuation. Who needs apostrophes anyway? But grammar isn't just decorative; it's technical. Form is inseparable from function, and a mastery of grammar allows us to communicate our ideas clearly, efficiently, and unambiguously. A shaky grasp of mechanics can lead to confusion (an entire lawsuit once hinged on the placement of a single comma!) and undermines a writer's confidence, meaning we never quite figure out the difference between *bad* and *badly*, *fewer* and *less*, or where those pesky quotation marks really go.

Students will learn how to spot and fix grammatical errors while proofreading their own work, develop methods to improve syntax, investigate informal discourse and trending language, and identify ways to strengthen prose without damaging an author's voice.

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Open to: Rising 9th - 12th graders

Instructor: Adrienne Bernhard

Total hours: 14

Fee: \$925

*This class is capped at 8.*

*Adrienne graduated with departmental honors from Northwestern University, and went on to pursue a Masters degree in American literature at Yale University. Adrienne completed a one-year fellowship at Oxford, and also holds a second Masters degree in Education from Columbia University Teachers College. She has published commentary on corporate social responsibility and articles in numerous literary journals and magazines, including the Atlantic, The Wall Street Journal, Smithsonian, the BBC, and other media outlets. Adrienne is also a freelance editor, web content producer, and, most recently, assistant to the Deputy Editor at The New Yorker. She specializes in essay writing, study skills and organizational support, practical rhetoric and French, as well as test prep for the ISEE, SSAT, SHSAT, SAT, ACT, and GRE exams.*



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**Busting Math Phobias: Pre-SAT/ACT**

July 11 - August 10

MW, 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Bespoke UES

[Register here](#)

Are you expecting to enter Algebra II or Pre-Calculus in the fall, but find you can't remember the quadratic formula or how to solve a system of equations? Are you feeling rusty on the fundamentals of exponents, SOH CAH TOA, or rational expressions? The SAT and ACT test your cumulative math knowledge, so rising juniors need to sharpen their skills from 8th, 9th, and 10th grade at the same time that they prepare to meet the challenges of 11th grade math curriculum.

This course will reinforce key concepts from algebra and geometry that show up on the SAT and ACT, so that students enter junior year with the confidence to launch into test prep.

This class is intended as a multi-topic review; students interested in in-depth or remedial review should inquire with Bespoke about individualized tutoring.

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Open to: Rising 11th graders

Instructor: Neil Redfield

Total hours: 15

Fee: \$950

*This class is capped at 8.*

*Neil holds BA in Anthropology from University of Delaware, where he graduated summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, and with Honors Distinctions, as well as an MFA in Acting from Southern Methodist University. At UD, he worked as a Teaching Assistant for the Anthropology Department. Originally from San Antonio, he has taught at the PREP program in Texas, a science and math summer camp which teaches middle and high school students topics fundamental to careers in engineering and math. As an actor, he has performed around New York City as well as regional theaters in the Berkshires, Delaware, and San Antonio. Neil tutors the SAT, ACT, and all levels of math.*

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**Busting Math Phobias: Pre-Algebra**

July 18 - August 17

MW, 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Bespoke UES

[Register here](#)

For students with a shaky foundation in pre-algebra, either from middle school or 9th grade math class, this enrichment course will provide the reinforcement of concepts necessary to take on Algebra I next year. From order of operations to manipulating fractions, the syllabus will focus on key topics that you will encounter throughout high school, as well as on standardized tests. As you strengthen the skills you developed in math class in the past year, you will also practice applying them to more difficult problems, so that you can dive into Algebra I with confidence and ease.

This class is intended as general review, and students interested in in-depth or remedial review should inquire with Bespoke about individualized tutoring.

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Open to: Rising 9th and 10th graders

Instructor: Nathan Obaid

Total hours: 15

Fee: \$950

*This class is capped at 8.*

*Nathan grew up in Minnesota, where he was a National Merit Scholarship finalist, and then graduated from Pomona College, where he majored in Economics. Nathan went on to teach high school math for six years in Chicago, and was selected as his school's math department chair. He later earned a Master of Public Policy at U.C. Berkeley, where he was also an instructor for undergraduate economics courses. He is passionate about engaging math education that builds student confidence and develops deep conceptual understanding. He tutors math and economics as well as all sections of the SAT, ACT, SHSAT, SSAT, and ISEE.*

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## Fiction Writing Workshop

July 5 - August 9

Tuesdays, 5:00-7:00 PM

Online, via Zoom

[Register here](#)

This six-week workshop is a college seminar-style course for high school students interested in developing their strengths as writers. Modeled after the Iowa Writers' Workshop, the course takes students through the fundamentals of storytelling, explores what makes successful stories work, and fosters a welcoming and rigorous setting for students to read and constructively critique each other's work. Students will leave with a complete and revised short story as part of their portfolio, as well as individualized written feedback.

Readings will include stories by Andre Dubus, Flannery O'Connor, John Gardner, Jorge Luis Borges, Stephen Millhauser, Kate Braverman, Molly Giles, and Gabriel Garcia Marquez. But the most important reading we'll do is reading each other's stories.

**Students must apply** by submitting a writing sample to [ejohnson@bespokeeducation.com](mailto:ejohnson@bespokeeducation.com) no later than June 14. Samples should be creative pieces, of any genre, 6-10 double-spaced pages in length. Students may submit longer pieces if they feel the piece requires it.

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Open to: Rising 9th - 12th graders

Total hours: 12

Fee: \$995

*This class is capped at 6.*

*Instructor: Eskor Johnson*

*Eskor received his BA in English and American Literature from Harvard University and an MFA in Fiction from the Iowa Writers' Workshop. His writing has appeared in McSweeney's Quarterly Concern and BOMB Magazine, amongst other publications. His teaching experience extends nearly ten years, including time spent as a tutor, a middle school English and Social Studies teacher, and a professor of Creative Writing at the University of Iowa. He is currently working on a novel.*



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**Back-to-School Essentials**

August 22 - August 26

MTWThF 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Bespoke UWS

[Register here](#)

Students are heading back into classrooms, sports seasons, and extracurricular schedules—how to balance all the responsibilities and demands of the upcoming school year? Especially for students entering high school, the fall season calls for renewed attention to organizational and time management skills.

This five-day workshop will introduce students to essential executive functioning skills: from prioritizing tasks to organized note-taking. Students will create individualized systems for coordinating their personal calendars, school planners, and study materials, so that they have a framework to rely on for the rest of high school and into college. The workshop will also integrate practices to promote mental health and mindfulness.

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Open to: Rising 9th - 12th graders

Instructor: Katie Patterson

Total hours: 7.5

Fee: \$465

*This course is capped at 6.*

*Katie attended The Taft School, where she first began tutoring high school Physics. Katie then earned her BA in Psychology with Honors from Vanderbilt University. She graduated from the post-baccalaureate premedical program at Columbia University with a merit-based scholarship, and earned a student service award for co-creating a learning community in which she led bi-weekly study groups in Biology and Chemistry. Following graduation from Columbia, Katie was employed by the University as a student coach, and facilitated group discussions relating to time management and study strategies. She has been meditating for 16 years and is a 100-hour YRT certified meditation instructor and a level I & II certified reiki practitioner. Katie tutors high school math, all levels of Biology and Chemistry, and for all sections of the ISEE, SSAT, SHSAT, GRE, ACT and SAT.*

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## **Intro to Financial Responsibility**

August 1 - August 12

MWF 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Bespoke UES

[Register here](#)

Most high school students learn about financial responsibility the hard way. Research has shown that students who build some financial muscle memory in their teens, before they head off to college, will steer clear of common financial "accidents" and feel more in control of their lives.

This course will give students an opportunity to learn about: how the everyday economy works; getting a "real" job, earning money, and paying taxes; spending and borrowing responsibly; saving and investing to create a nest egg. Students will become budgeting and planning ninjas, with a broad understanding of how different American families make ends meet.

Course material will be presented in engaging and relatable ways, complemented by role playing and problem-solving exercises. Students will create personalized financial tool kits with customizable templates, calculators, and step-by-step guides to help them make smart financial decisions—and stick to them.

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Open to: Rising 9th - 12th graders

Instructor: Steven Faigen

Total hours: 9

Fee: \$595

*Before beginning a business marketing career, Steven Faigen wrote MoneySense, a personal finance and investing column that appeared in 150 newspapers. The columns helped regular people tackle often unfamiliar saving, investing, and borrowing topics. Steven grew up in Louisville, Kentucky. He graduated from Tulane University with a BA in International Affairs, and with a MS from the Columbia University School of International affairs. He has worked at Citicorp, Lehman Brothers, Booz Allen & Hamilton, Towers Perrin, and, most recently, as Chief Marketing Officer and Partner at Mercer.*



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**Entrepreneurship:  
Designing Your Venture**  
August 1 - August 5  
MTWThF 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Bespoke UWS  
[Register here](#)

This course focuses on leading aspiring young entrepreneurs through the “how to’s” of creating ventures. Within a highly-interactive and dynamic approach, participants work together to learn the team building, diagnosis, discovery, design, start-up and scaling phases essential for creating sustainable ventures. Throughout the workshop participants will have the opportunity to work on their own ideas and/or team up with others. This course will include a special focus on social enterprise and how to co-create ventures to put empathy in action for community impact. Participants need not show up with a venture idea already in mind.

Workshop sessions support participants in developing design and systems thinking perspectives, a growth mindset, adaptive leadership, resilience, and collaborative problem solving skills.

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**Instructor: Greg Van Kirk**

*Greg is a social innovator, educator and strategic consultant. He’s a World Economic Forum “Social Entrepreneur of the Year (Latin America).” Over the course of 20 years he’s founded, led and/or consulted for dozens of organizations in 25+ countries. He’s designed social entrepreneurial experiences, taught courses and led workshops for thousands of students and professionals. He also contributes time as “Social Entrepreneur in Residence” at universities and has taught social entrepreneurship at Columbia University, NYU, Miami University and University of Wisconsin. Greg began working in rural small business development as a Guatemala Peace Corps volunteer in 2001. He worked in investment banking for five years before arriving in Guatemala. Two deals he led at UBS during this time won “Deal of the Year” honors from Structured Finance International magazine.*

Open to: Rising 9th - 12th graders

Total hours: 15

Fee: \$1050

*This course is capped at 12.*



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**Entrepreneurship + Innovation:  
An Introduction**

August 31 - September 1  
WTh 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
Bespoke UWS

[Register here](#)

This two-day workshop for middle schoolers introduces participants to the key concepts, terminology and approaches for entrepreneurship and innovation. The goal is for participants to get comfortable with the idea and purpose behind entrepreneurship and innovation. This is highly-interactive and a hands-on, activity-driven workshop with a special focus on design thinking activities and team building.

Workshop sessions support students in developing a growth mindset, resilience, and collaborative problem solving skills.

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Open to: Rising 7th - 8th graders

Total hours: 5  
Fee: \$375

*This course is capped at 12.*

Instructor: Greg Van Kirk

*Greg is a social innovator, educator and strategic consultant. He's a World Economic Forum "Social Entrepreneur of the Year (Latin America)." Over the course of 20 years he's founded, led and/or consulted for dozens of organizations in 25+ countries. He's designed social entrepreneurial experiences, taught courses and led workshops for thousands of students and professionals. He also contributes time as "Social Entrepreneur in Residence" at universities and has taught social entrepreneurship at Columbia University, NYU, Miami University and University of Wisconsin. Greg began working in rural small business development as a Guatemala Peace Corps volunteer in 2001. He worked in investment banking for five years before arriving in Guatemala. Two deals he led at UBS during this time won "Deal of the Year" honors from Structured Finance International magazine.*

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## Cryptocurrency Intensive

Session A: June 20 - June 24

MTWThF 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Bespoke UWS \*

[Register here](#)

Session B: July 14 - August 11

Th 4:30 - 6:30 PM

Bespoke UWS \*

[Register here](#)

Session C: August 29 - September 2

MTWThF 4:30 - 6:30 PM

Bespoke UWS \*

[Register here](#)

\* Option to Zoom in.

Open to: Rising 9th - 12th graders

Total hours: 10

Fee: \$995

**Parents:** Tim also teaches a course for adults that includes actual investing and learning the use of centralized and decentralized exchanges, DeFi, and more. Please [contact us](#) for more information.

Everyone these days, it seems, is talking about crypto and blockchain, NFTs and blockchain gaming. This in-person class (with an option to Zoom in) is for students who want to learn more about the world of crypto and blockchain, whether they are total beginners or have some experience. In this course, students will learn the basics of what blockchain is, use cases, and how cryptocurrency and tokens function; how to evaluate good “projects” and stay up to date on developments in the world of crypto; what NFTs are and how to create them; and what crypto wallets, DAOs, and “governance” are.

In this course, students will be able to design and “mint” their own NFTs, and they’ll create a mock portfolio of crypto tokens to invest in as they learn how to do this responsibly. Time permitting, students will also be able to design and mint their own personal cryptocurrency.

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Instructor: Tim Levin

*While growing up in New York City, Bespoke’s Founder and CEO Tim Levin attended The Horace Mann School for fifteen years. After graduating from Yale College in 1993, he taught at a boarding school in Massachusetts and then at The Fieldston School in the Bronx. He is an adjunct professor in the Science Department of SUNY’s Fashion Institute of Technology. Tim also holds a Master’s Degree in Education from Teachers College. He has become a self-taught “crypto expert” and investor over the past few years, and he follows the crypto markets and company developments constantly (resulting in many disrupted or sleepless nights!). Tim enjoys teaching students how to get started in the crypto world, how to select projects to invest in, all about NFTs, and whatever else they want to learn about.*



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## Test Prep Courses

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### SAT Prep: Foundations Course

Session A: August 15 - August 26  
MTWThF, 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Online, via Zoom

[Register here](#)

Session B: August 15 - August 26  
MTWThF, 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Bespoke Bronxville

[Register here](#)

### ACT Prep: Foundations Course

Session A: August 15 - August 26  
MTWThF, 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Online, via Zoom

[Register here](#)

Session B: August 15 - August 26  
MTWThF, 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Bespoke Bronxville

[Register here](#)

Open to: Rising 11th graders

Total hours: 15 class, 6 mock testing

Fee: \$950

*Note: Sessions A and B are the same course content; students should choose a session based on schedule and location.*

*These classes will be capped at 8.*

Designed to kickstart the test prep process for rising juniors, the two-week Foundations courses will give students an in-depth knowledge of the SAT or ACT and an introduction to critical test-taking skills, so that they can enter 11th grade with a personal test prep plan for how to reach their goal scores.

Students complete a diagnostic exam before class begins, to determine which test, SAT or ACT, they should prep for; the Bespoke team will offer guidance to help students make this choice and to place them in the appropriate class section.

Classes will cover the content and strategies for all sections of the exams and will include curriculum from Bespoke's proprietary lesson books and real, released questions. Each course includes one full-length mock test so that students can practice in a test-like, proctored environment and map out a plan for continuing test prep in the fall.

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Instructors: Anthony Baldino, Nick Videen

*Anthony graduated with honors from Columbia College and went on for his Doctorate at Columbia University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences where he defended his dissertation, "Incommensurability and Epistemology: An Essay on Scientific Theory Choice." He has taught philosophy and formal logic at Columbia and at Rutgers University. Anthony tutors physics, math, and all sections of the SAT, ACT, ISEE and SSAT.*

*Nick studied math, science and music at the University of Minnesota. He completed his B.M. at New England Conservatory in Boston, graduating with distinction. Nick has been teaching and tutoring for over ten years and has taught SAT and ACT prep classes for a variety of test prep companies in New York area high schools.*



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**SAT Prep: Comprehensive Course**

July 11 - August 24  
MWF, 5:00 - 6:30 PM  
Bespoke UES  
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Designed to guide rising juniors through an intensive and complete test prep process, the six-week Comprehensive courses will teach students crucial test-taking skills and strategies. The courses give students an in-depth knowledge of the SAT or ACT exam, as well as a thorough review of EBRW and Math content.

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**ACT Prep: Comprehensive Course**

July 11 - August 24  
MWF, 5:00 - 6:30 PM  
Bespoke UES  
[Register here](#)

Students complete a diagnostic exam before class begins, to determine which test, SAT or ACT, they should prep for; the Bespoke team will offer guidance to help students make this choice.

Course materials include Bespoke’s proprietary lesson book and released test questions. Each course includes two full-length mock tests taken under timed conditions so that students can practice in a test-like, proctored environment and track their progress on all sections of the test.

Open to: Rising 11th graders

Instructors: Hugh Strike, Eden Ohayon

Total hours: 30 class, 10 mock testing  
Fee: \$1875

*This class will be capped at 8.*

*Hugh received a B.A. with High Honors in Social Studies from Harvard University. As an undergraduate he served as a Course Assistant and Research Assistant at the Harvard Graduate School of Education and as a Peer Advising Fellow for first-year college students. He is fluent in Spanish and, after teaching English for a year on a Fulbright fellowship in Andorra, speaks passable Catalan. He tutors Writing, History, Math, Spanish, and all sections of the ACT, SAT, ISEE, SSAT, and SHSAT.*

*Eden graduated from Yale University with a dual degree in English with a Writing Concentration and Theater Studies. She also holds an MFA from the Actors Studio Drama School. Eden taught Literature and Drama at Breakthrough New York’s Manhattan site and has worked as a content generator for Zinkerz, an education technology company. Eden tutors all sections of the ISEE, SSAT, SHSAT, SAT, ACT, GMAT, and GRE.*



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**SAT Prep: Booster Course**

August 8 - August 19

MTWThF, 3:30 - 5:00 PM

Online, via Zoom

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**ACT Prep: Booster Course**

August 22 - September 2

MTWThF, 3:30 - 5:00 PM

Online, via Zoom

[Register here](#)

The two-week Booster courses will strengthen test-taking skills for rising seniors who have begun test prep but have yet to reach their goal score. After a brief review of essential strategies, classes will concentrate on reinforcing content and providing extra practice to bridge the gap from junior year to the senior fall and the upcoming test dates. Each course includes two full-length weekend mock tests, taken under timed conditions, so that students can practice in a test-like, proctored environment.

*Note:* The SAT Booster is appropriate for students targeting the August 27 real test date. The ACT Booster is appropriate for students targeting the September 10 real test date.

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Open to: Rising 12th graders

Hours: 15 in class, 6 in mock testing

Fee: \$950

*This class will be capped at 8.*

Instructors: Christine Shaw and Trace Pope

*Christine grew up in Athens, Georgia and graduated Magna Cum Laude from Yale University with a degree in Theater Studies. She taught gifted 7th and 8th graders with the Duke TIP Summer Academy and taught in the middle school drama department at Athens Academy. She tutors all sections of the SAT, the ACT, and a variety of high school and middle school subjects.*

*Trace attended the University of Texas at Austin where he received a B.A. in English. He then studied at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art where he received a M.A. in Classical Acting. He has several years of tutoring and small-group teaching experience with students of all ages. Trace views tutoring as an opportunity to honor the educators who have made an impact on his own life and learning. Trace tutors for all sections of the ACT, SAT, ISEE, SSAT and SHSAT.*

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**SAT Prep: Back-in-Gear Bootcamp**

August 22 - August 26

MTWThF, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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[Register here](#)

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**ACT Prep: Back-in-Gear Bootcamp**

September 5 - September 9

MTWThF, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Bespoke UES

[Register here](#)

Designed for rising seniors striving for one final rise in their scores, the curriculum for these one-week intensive courses will be based on the particular needs of the enrolled students. On the weekend before class begins (August 20 for SAT, August 27 or September 3 for ACT), students will take a full-length mock test, so that instructors can design targeted review lessons based on a current assessment of the gaps in students' mastery of content.

The Back-in-Gear Bootcamps are appropriate for students who have already completed 2-4 months of test prep.

Students will be prepared to take the SAT on August 27 and the ACT on September 10, respectively.

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Open to: Rising 12th graders

Hours: 10 in class, 3 in mock testing

Fee: \$875

*Note: This course will be capped at 6*

Instructors: Sarah Cuneo and Matt Weir

*Sarah grew up in New Jersey and holds a B.A. in Psychology and certificates in Neuroscience and Theater from Princeton University. Sarah earned her M.F.A from the Case Western Reserve University/Cleveland Play House M.F.A. Acting Program, where she received the Eva L. Pancoast Memorial Fellowship. Sarah tutors the ISEE, SSAT, SHSAT, ACT, SAT, GMAT and GRE.*

*Matt is a magna cum laude graduate from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University. He earned an MFA in Creative Writing from Rutgers University-Newark where he taught writing composition to undergraduates. For years Matt has taught language arts, creative writing, and math skills to students across New York and New England with Story Pirates, an arts education and media organization. Matt works with students in organizational skills, SAT, ACT, ISEE, SSAT, and SHSAT test prep.*



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**SSAT/ISEE Prep: Foundations Course**

August 1 - August 26

MWF, 4:00 - 5:30 PM

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[Register here](#)

The 4-week Foundations course covers content and strategies for the math, reading, and vocabulary content on both high school admissions tests, the SSAT and ISEE. Students will master test strategies that help them move more quickly and with more confidence through each section. The class will discuss question types that are specific to each test, and the instructor will assist students in making their individual testing plans, including their choice of which test to pursue in the fall.

The curriculum includes Bespoke's proprietary lesson book and real, released practice questions. The course also includes two mock tests, so that students can practice taking either the SSAT or ISEE (or both) in a proctored, test-like environment.

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Open to: Rising 8th graders

Instructor: Dan Froot

Hours: 18 in class, 6 in mock testing

Fee: \$1125

*This class will be capped at 8.*

*Daniel attended Horace Mann, before studying at Wesleyan University where he graduated with a B.A. in film studies and Hispanic literature and cultures. At Wesleyan, Daniel was awarded high honors for his film studies thesis: an original television pilot about the New York theater scene. Daniel also works as a writer and producer in theater and independent film, notably collaborating on two projects that premiered at the 2018 Tribeca Film Festival. He specializes in assisting students with college applications and essays, as well as tutoring all sections of the SAT, ACT, ISEE, SSAT, and SHSAT.*



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**SHSAT Prep: Foundations Course**

August 2 - August 25

TTh, 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Bespoke UES

[Register here](#)

This 2-week Foundations course will give rising eighth grade students an in-depth knowledge of the Specialized High School Admission Test. Classes will cover the math, reading, and vocabulary content on the SHSAT, as well as the test strategies that help students move more quickly and with more confidence through each section. The class will discuss question types that are specific to the test, such as the Revising/Editing section.

The curriculum includes Bespoke's proprietary lesson book and real, released practice questions. The course also includes one mock test, so that students gain experience applying their pacing and problem-solving strategies in a proctored environment.

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Open to: Rising 8th graders

Instructor: Nadia Diamond

Hours: 12 in class, 3 in mock testing

Fee: \$875

*This class will be capped at 8.*

*Nadia took a gap year to study French at the Sorbonne before attending Princeton University, where she graduated with a degree in History and minors in Gender & Sexuality Studies and Theater. Nadia has facilitated and taught in theater education programs and tutored students in project management, organizational skills, and test preparation. In addition to her passion for supporting young people in their intellectual and personal development, Nadia loves to hike, read, and act. She tutors all sections of the ACT, SAT, ISEE, SSAT and SHSAT.*



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## College Admissions Courses

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### College Essay Writing Workshop

Session A: July 6 - July 22

MWF, 4:00 - 6:00 PM

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[Register here](#)

Session B: August 15 - August 31

MWF, 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Online, via Zoom

[Register here](#)

This workshop offers students a structured approach to writing the first draft of their personal statement for college applications. The course will begin with a primer on writing a clear and compelling essay, then lead students through the brainstorming and outlining process. The instructor will foster a workshop environment to facilitate peer feedback on students' first drafts.

The course also provides each student with a one-on-one "office hour" meeting: a private session with the instructor to be scheduled after the conclusion of the class, when the student receives final revising notes and a plan for completing the essay over the summer.

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Open to: Rising 12th graders

Instructor: Sam Segan

Total hours: 16 class, 1 one-on-one

Fee: \$1250

*This class will be capped at 6.*

*Sam grew up in New York City, where she attended Hunter College High School. She graduated from Williams College with a BA in Philosophy and English. She tutors students in middle school, high school, and college in essay-writing, academic French, Italian, Latin, math, and physics. Sam teaches the Subject Tests and AP exams in Math, Literature, and French and for all sections of the SAT, ACT, ISEE, SSAT, and SHSAT. In her spare time, she reviews books and competes in Brazilian jiu jitsu.*



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### **Common App Early Bird Workshop**

August 8 - August 12

MTWThF, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Bespoke UES

[Register here](#)

Your college application comprises several elements, and a key to a stress-free application process is keeping track of them all! This workshop will orient students to the various sections of the Common App—and, more importantly, to the opportunities they provide to an applicant to set herself apart from the crowd. Students will write first drafts of the most common supplemental essays and build a personalized timeline to help them complete final drafts by the Early Decision/ Action and Regular Decision deadlines.

The course will also include lessons in resume-writing and guidelines for professional correspondence, so that students can put their best foot forward not only in outreach to college admissions officers but also in future job applications.

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Open to: Rising 12th graders

Instructor: Bespoke College Counselor (TBA)

Total hours: 10 class

Fee: \$925

*Note: This course will be capped at 6*

*Bespoke's college counselors have evaluated thousands of college applications and helped hundreds of high schoolers and their parents navigate the college application process. They work hard to help students see the "big picture" and seek out environments that will foster their intellectual, emotional, and professional growth.*



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## Summer 2022 Course Calendar

*College Essay Workshop = Essay A, B*  
*Busting Math Phobias: Pre-SAT/ACT = Math 1*  
*Busting Math Phobias: Pre-Algebra = Math 2*  
*Grammar Bootcamp = Grammar*  
*Fiction Writing Workshop = Fiction*  
*Financial Responsibility = Financial*  
*Entrepreneurship: Designing Your Venture = Venture*  
*Common App Workshop = Common App*  
*Cryptocurrency Intensive = Crypto A, B, C*

*SAT & ACT Comprehensive = Comprehensive*  
*SSAT/ISEE Foundations = SSAT/ISEE*  
*SAT & ACT Foundations = Foundations*  
*SAT/ACT Booster = SAT Booster, ACT Booster*  
*SHSAT Foundations = SHSAT*  
*SAT/ACT Bootcamp = SAT Bootcamp, ACT Bootcamp*  
*Back to School Workshop = Back to School*  
*Entrepreneurship + Innovation = Innovation*

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>JUNE</b>	20	21	22	23	24	25
	<i>Crypto A</i>	<i>Crypto A</i>	<i>Crypto A</i>	<i>Crypto A</i>	<i>Crypto A</i>	
26	27	28	29	30	<b>JULY 1</b>	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		<i>Fiction</i>	<i>Essay A</i>		<i>Essay A</i>	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	<i>Comprehensive</i> <i>Essay A</i> <i>Math 1</i>	<i>Grammar</i> <i>Fiction</i>	<i>Comprehensive</i> <i>Essay A</i> <i>Math 1</i>	<i>Grammar</i> <i>Crypto B</i>	<i>Comprehensive</i> <i>Essay A</i>	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	<i>Comprehensive</i> <i>Essay A</i> <i>Math 1</i> <i>Math 2</i>	<i>Grammar</i> <i>Fiction</i>	<i>Comprehensive</i> <i>Essay A</i> <i>Math 1</i> <i>Math 2</i>	<i>Grammar</i> <i>Crypto B</i>	<i>Comprehensive</i> <i>Essay A</i>	



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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	<i>Comprehensive Math 1 Math 2</i>	<i>Grammar Fiction</i>	<i>Comprehensive Math 1 Math 2</i>	<i>Grammar Crypto B</i>	<i>Comprehensive</i>	
31	<b>AUGUST 1</b>	2	3	4	5	6
	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE Math 1 Math 2 Financial Venture</i>	<i>Grammar Fiction SHSAT  Venture</i>	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE Math 1 Math 2 Financial Venture</i>	<i>Crypto B SHSAT  Venture</i>	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE  Financial Venture</i>	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE Math 1 Math 2 SAT Booster Common App Financial</i>	<i>Fiction SHSAT  SAT Booster Common App</i>	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE Math 1 Math 2 SAT Booster Common App Financial</i>	<i>Crypto B SHSAT  SAT Booster Common App</i>	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE  SAT Booster Common App Financial</i>	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE Math 2 SAT Booster Foundations Essay B</i>	<i>SHSAT  SAT Booster Foundations</i>	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE Math 2 SAT Booster Foundations Essay B</i>	<i>SHSAT  SAT Booster Foundations</i>	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE  SAT Booster Foundations Essay B</i>	

21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE ACT Booster Foundations SAT Bootcamp Back to School Essay B</i>	<i>SHSAT  ACT Booster Foundations SAT Bootcamp Back to School</i>	<i>Comprehensive SSAT/ISEE ACT Booster Foundations SAT Bootcamp Back to School Essay B</i>	<i>SHSAT  ACT Booster Foundations SAT Bootcamp Back to School</i>	<i>SSAT/ISEE ACT Booster Foundations SAT Bootcamp Back to School Essay B</i>	
28	29	30	31	<b>SEPT 1</b>	2	3
	<i>ACT Booster Essay B Crypto C</i>	<i>ACT Booster  Crypto C</i>	<i>ACT Booster Essay B Crypto C Innovation</i>	<i>ACT Booster  Crypto C Innovation</i>	<i>ACT Booster  Crypto C</i>	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	<i>ACT Bootcamp</i>	<i>ACT Bootcamp</i>	<i>ACT Bootcamp</i>	<i>ACT Bootcamp</i>	<i>ACT Bootcamp</i>	



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