

Test Prep & Academic Enrichment Fall 2022 Course Catalog

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Register on our website at <u>www.bespokeeducation.com/classes</u>, or by following the links in the course descriptions on the following pages.

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

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ACT Prep: Back-in-Gear Bootcamp

December 5 - December 9 MTWThF, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Bespoke BXV <u>Register here</u> *leading up to the Real ACT on December 10th

SAT Prep: Back-in-Gear Bootcamp

November 28 - December 2 MTWThF, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Bespoke BXV <u>Register here</u> *leading up to the Real SAT on December 3rd

Open to: Juniors- Rising Seniors

Total hours: 10 Total classes: 5 Total mock tests: 1 Fee: \$875

Note: This course will be capped at 8.

Designed for juniors ir seniors striving for a final rise in their scores, the curriculum for these one-week intensive courses will be based on the particular needs of the enrolled students. 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 at least 2 months of test prep. Students will be prepared to take the ACT on December 10 and the SAT on December 3, respectively.

Grammar Bootcamp

November 26 - December 30 MTWThF, 5:00 - 6:30 PM Online via Zoom *Register here*

Open to: Rising 9th - 12th graders Total hours: 7.5

Fee: \$575

This class is capped at 8.

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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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 a 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.