

# **Attention Parents of Barker Juniors:** **Barker High School will be offering an SAT Prep Course** **to prepare for the May 4, 2019 SAT exam**

The purpose of this course is to familiarize juniors with the format, style, and content of SAT questions they will encounter on the SAT exams, as well as a thorough instruction in test taking strategies. It is designed and scheduled to prepare the students for the May 4, 2019 SAT exam and/or the exam on June 1, 2019.

The course will be taught by Mr. Barry Jones who has over 25 years of experience in SAT tutoring, both individually and in group classes with several local school districts. Mr. Jones is a dually certified teacher of math and social studies, with over 40 years of teaching experience and a Master's Degree in Education. He was Math Department Head at Lyndonville Central School for over 30 years before he retired, and has been a part-time faculty member in the math department at The College at Brockport since 1981, where he continues to teach. His business, JonesGroup Services, has also offered individual tutoring in SAT skills, mathematics tutoring, consultation services for school districts, and teacher workshops in Mathematics for the last 25 years.

The course will prepare students for the SAT Exam in the new aspects of the test: **Mathematics, Critical Reading, and Writing (Essay now optional)** by offering varied instructional techniques and practices, and will include in-class simulations, practice exercises done at home and reviewed in class, as well as alternative solutions to problems that will prepare the students for the types of exam questions they will see on the SAT exams. Since the SAT exam is unlike any test the students have taken before and covers all high school topics in mathematics, English and reading, and essay writing, it is strongly advised that a college bound student have adequate practice before taking the exam. That is the purpose of this course.

The course will consist of 5 SAT preparation classes of 3 hours to enable the student to take the May 4<sup>th</sup> exam and retake if they choose in June. It is an advantage to take at least two exams if possible, since the highest scores will count and new earlier financial aid dates and universal application dates have moved up for many college schedules next fall. This gives students a better chance for a higher score by the end of their junior year, with retakes possible early in their senior year.

## **FIRST CLASS SCHEDULE**

**Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 9:00 PM (Parent and Student Meeting in Cafeteria)**

*\*Parents and students should attend the introductory meeting for the first hour, where important information regarding the course, general test taking schedules and suggestions, and online registration procedures for the SAT will be discussed ....instruction for students only will be from 7:00-9:00, at which time books and materials will be distributed, along with the first SAT assignment.*

## **REGULAR CLASS SCHEDULE**

Tuesday April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00 – 9:00 PM	Session 2 Room 231
Tuesday April 9 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 – 9:00 PM	Session 3 Room 231
Tuesday April 16 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 – 9:00 PM	Session 4 Room 231
Thursday May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00 – 9:00 PM	Session 5 Room 231

Any questions may be addressed to Barry Jones via email at [jonesgrp@rochester.rr.com](mailto:jonesgrp@rochester.rr.com)

**The cost of the course will be \$75**, which will include all costs of materials, books and instruction. Registration may be limited to the first 30 paid students. To register, return a completed registration sheet to the guidance office by Friday, March 15, 2019 with payment of \$75 cash or check payable to **JonesGroup Services.**

# SAT Course Registration Sheet

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email address(es) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Parent cell phone \_\_\_\_\_ Student cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Courses currently taking \_\_\_\_\_

Previously taken SAT? (yes or no) \_\_\_\_\_ If "yes", please fill in scores below (all data will be kept confidential)

The better I get to know your students' backgrounds, the better I can help them prepare. If you do not want to share the following data, just leave the spaces blank.

SAT Critical Reading \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Math \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Writing \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate overall high school average to date \_\_\_\_\_

College goals: (colleges or types of colleges you may be interested in applying, potential majors or areas of study, etc)

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Strongest high school subject(s) of English, math, science, social studies \_\_\_\_\_

Weakest high school subject(s) of English, math, science, social studies \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions, please contact me (email is always the easiest, but cell number works well evenings after 7 PM). I am looking forward to working with the students.

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