

DENTAL ADMISSION TEST (DAT) 2009 PROGRAM GUIDE

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At the time of application, you will be required to acknowledge that you have read and understand this *Guide* and the policies and procedures contained within.

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OVERVIEW

About this *Guide* and DAT Policies

This document is the official guide to policies for the Dental Admission Test (DAT) Program. It provides fundamental information about application and testing procedures as well as examination content and scoring.

You are required to read this document before you apply to take the test. At the time of application, you will be required to confirm that you have read this document and that you understand and agree to the policies and procedures contained in it. Changes in the DAT Program may occur after publication of this *Guide*. If changes occur, they will be posted at the website www.ada.org. You must become familiar with and will be subject to the most current policies and procedures in effect at the time you test.

About the DAT

The DAT is conducted by the American Dental Association (ADA) and has been in operation on a national basis since 1950. The computer-based DAT is administered throughout the year at test centers operated by Prometric Inc. (Prometric Test Centers). The testing program is designed to measure general academic ability, comprehension of scientific information, and perceptual ability. While all dental schools require examinees to participate in the DAT Program, test results are only one factor considered in evaluating the admission potential of an examinee. Validity studies conducted by the testing program have shown that test scores in conjunction with collegiate records are useful in predicting performance. The relative importance of these predictors in the admission process is determined by the dental school.

Information for Dental School Applicants

The usual pre-professional education requirement for admission to dental school stipulates at least two academic years of liberal arts study; however, many dental schools in the United States require three or more years of college. Applicants should be aware that 90% of the first-year dental class completed four years of pre-professional education, 82% of the first-year dental class received a baccalaureate degree prior to dental school enrollment.

There are certain basic pre-dental education courses that must be completed prior to enrollment in dental school. Because dental schools vary with regard to the required pre-dental education courses, it is essential that the applicant contact the appropriate schools to determine specific admission requirements. The ADA Council on Dental Education and Licensure supports the acquisition of a baccalaureate degree prior to dental school enrollment.

ETHICAL CONDUCT

Ethical Conduct in Applying to Dental Education Programs

This statement of ethical conduct relates to all individuals seeking admission to predoctoral dental education programs. The beginning of the application process is the time to understand and begin to abide by the principles set forth in this document relating to the ethical obligations of dentists.

The ADA and the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) have developed this statement in collaboration, as both organizations play roles in the admissions process. The ADA sponsors the DAT and ADEA sponsors the Associated American Dental Schools Application Service (AADSAS). AADSAS is a centralized predoctoral application service in which the U.S. and Canadian dental schools participate.

The American Dental Association Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct states:

The dental profession holds a special position of trust within society. As a consequence, society affords the profession certain privileges that are not available to members of the public-at-large. In return, the profession makes a commitment to society that its members will adhere to high ethical standards of conduct. These standards are embodied in the ADA Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct (ADA Code). The ADA Code is, in effect, a written expression of the obligations arising from the implied contract between the dental profession and society.

Members of the dental profession voluntarily abide by the ADA Code in the interest of protecting patients and maintaining the trust of society as a whole. Submission of an application to a dental education program is the first step in the process of becoming a member of the dental profession. With the application comes the obligation to uphold the highest level of honesty and ethical behavior. An applicant is held to the same high standards for truth, full disclosure, and accuracy in the application process to which a member of the dental profession is expected to aspire in their capacity as a member of the profession. Applicants to predoctoral dental educational programs are expected to understand and comply with the standards expressed in this statement in their applications for admission to dental school and their applications to take the DAT.

Behavior that results in misconduct or irregularity in the dental education program admissions process is a very serious matter. An applicant who acts unethically risks being denied admission to dental education programs. Moreover, such unethical actions, if disclosed after enrollment in a program or at the beginning of dental practice, can result in more serious outcomes. It is important that applicants understand the significance of exhibiting professional behavior throughout their careers, starting with the application process.

ADA and ADEA expect strong ethical behavior in all persons who are and who aspire to become members of the profession of dentistry. Applicants may contact both associations for more information about their policies and procedures applicable to misconduct and irregularities in the dental school admissions process.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for Participation

Successful participation in the DAT Program requires completion of at least one year of collegiate education, which should include courses in biology, and general and organic chemistry. Advanced level biology and physics are not required. Applicants should note that test scores are developed in relation to all examinees participating in the test and that most applicants complete two or more years of college before taking the test. Applicants to dental school should participate in the DAT Program well in advance of intended dental school enrollment. Examinees applying to Canadian dental schools should discuss the acceptance of the DAT by those schools prior to registering for the test.

Additional Eligibility Requirement

Examinees who have attended three or more tests must apply for special permission to retest. For test administration purposes, an examinee is considered as having “attended” a test each time the examinee is seated at a computer workstation at a Prometric Test Center and starts the test by electronically agreeing to the confidentiality statement.

Requests for additional testing must be submitted in writing to the Department of Testing Services (DTS) and must include evidence of current (within the previous 18 months) intent to apply to dental school. Acceptable forms of evidence include (you need submit only one of the following):

- A copy of a completed and submitted application to dental school.
- A letter of rejection from a dental school.
- A letter from a dental school admissions officer encouraging you to retest or reapply.
- A letter on school stationery from a college/university health profession advisor/instructor verifying that you are applying/reapplying to dental school.

Upon approval, you will be permitted to retake the DAT once per twelve-month period.

The results of the four most recent DATs taken, as well as the total number of DATs taken, are released on the official scores and forwarded to dental schools.

Retesting

Examinees are required to submit a new application and fee for each retest. An examinee must wait at least 90 days to retake the DAT. You may submit a new application to retest and upon receipt of notification of eligibility for retesting, you may call the Prometric Contact Center at 800.688.5804 to schedule a retest appointment at least 90 days from your last attempt.

Partial Testing

Partial tests are not permitted. Examinees are required to take all four tests of the DAT Program. A score of one is reported for any assigned test not taken. Examinees unable to complete the test must submit a new application and fee before participating in any subsequent testing.

TESTING ACCOMMODATIONS

The DTS provides reasonable and appropriate accommodations in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act for individuals with documented disabilities who demonstrate a need for accommodation.

The Americans with Disabilities Act defines a person with a disability as an individual with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

Problems such as English as a second language, slow reading without an identified underlying cognitive deficit, or failure to achieve a desired outcome are not learning disabilities and are not applicable to the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Testing accommodations may be provided to an examinee with a qualified disability to offer equal access to testing. Once approved for testing accommodations all subsequent testing will be approved for testing accommodations. Examinees must request testing accommodations with each application, but will not be required to submit additional documentation.

Request for Testing Accommodations and Appropriate Documentation

The following information will assist you in submitting the appropriate documentation to support the testing accommodation request. The documentation will validate that the individual qualifies for accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

To verify the disability and its severity, the DTS requires a complete evaluation of the examinee as well as the completed and signed Testing Accommodation Request form. A licensed professional appropriately qualified for evaluating the disability must conduct the evaluation.

If you have a documented disability in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and require testing accommodations, you must:

1. Notify the DAT Program that you are requesting testing accommodations at the time you submit your DAT application and prior to scheduling a testing appointment.
2. Submit the Testing Accommodation Request Form found at www.ada.org, signed, and dated, describing the disability and the need for accommodations. Accommodations should align with the identified functional limitation so that the adjustment to the testing procedure is applicable to the identified impairment. A functional limitation is defined as the behavioral manifestation of the disability that impedes the individual's ability to function.
3. Submit a current evaluation report (within the past five years) from the appropriate licensed professional. The document should include the professional's credentials, address, and telephone number. The report must indicate the examinee's name, date of birth, and date of evaluation. The report should include:
 - a. The specific diagnostic procedures or tests administered. Diagnostic methods used should be appropriate to the disability and in alignment with current professional protocol.
 - b. The results of the diagnostic procedures and/or tests and a comprehensive interpretation of the results.
 - c. The specific diagnosis of the disability, with an accompanying description of the examinee's limitations due to the disability.
 - d. A summary of the complete evaluation with recommendations for the specific accommodations and how they will reduce the impact of identified functional limitation.
4. Submit documentation of any previous accommodations provided by educational institutions or other testing agencies. If no prior accommodations were provided, the licensed professional should include a detailed explanation as to why no accommodations were given in the past and why accommodations are needed now.

Unacceptable Forms of Documentation for Requests for Accommodations

Please do not submit the following documents. The DTS will not accept them.

1. Handwritten letters from licensed professionals
2. Handwritten patient records or notes from patient charts
3. Diagnoses on prescription pads
4. Self-evaluations found on the Internet or in any print publication
5. Research articles
6. Original evaluation/diagnostic documents; submit copies of the original documents.
7. Previous correspondence from DTS; DTS maintains copies of all correspondence.
8. Correspondence from educational institutions or testing agencies not directly addressed to DTS.

TESTING APPLICATION AND APPOINTMENT INFORMATION

Test Centers

The DAT is administered by Prometric at Prometric Test Centers in the United States, its territories including Guam, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and in Canada. If your application is approved you will receive an e-mail (or letter if no e-mail address is on file) informing you to call the Prometric Contact Center at 800.688.5804 to schedule a testing appointment. The Prometric Contact Center will schedule you for testing at one of the Prometric Test Centers. However, the Prometric Contact Center will not schedule an examinee before receiving authorization from the DTS. A list of test centers can be found at www.prometric.com. Individual local test centers cannot schedule, reschedule, or cancel appointments.

Testing Schedule

The following table indicates the time allocation for the DAT. You will have a total of 4 hours and 30 minutes to complete the four tests in the DAT. If an examinee chooses to take the optional break, the testing session will resume automatically after 15 minutes have elapsed.

Dental Admission Test	
Tutorial	15 minutes
Survey of Natural Sciences	90 minutes
Perceptual Ability Test	60 minutes
Optional Break	15 minutes
Reading Comprehension Test	60 minutes
Quantitative Reasoning Test	45 minutes
Post Test Survey	15 minutes

Electronic or Paper Application

Examinees may submit an electronic application at www.ada.org using a credit card. Examinees may request a paper copy of the *Guide* and a paper application form by submitting a written request to the DTS via U. S. mail to DTS, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 600, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2637, or by facsimile to 312.587.4105. Examinees submitting a paper application must pay by money order or certified check. Paper applications must be submitted via U. S. mail. ADA or American Student Dental Association (ASDA) members may pay by personal check, but their membership number must be recorded on the

check. Incomplete or incorrect applications will be returned. Applications are processed daily (Monday through Friday except Federal holidays). A new application must be submitted each time an examinee wishes to be tested.

If your application and fee are approved and you meet the eligibility requirements for testing, your application will be processed. After your application is processed, Prometric will receive notification of your eligibility for testing and you will receive instructions by e-mail (or letter if no e-mail address is on file) to call the Prometric Contact Center at 800.688.5804 to schedule a testing appointment.

An application may be submitted no more than 12 months before the test date. Any application that does not meet the eligibility requirements will be returned. The examinee is eligible for a 12-month period. If you do not schedule a testing appointment and take the DAT during this period, you will have to submit another application and fee in order to take the test later. The eligibility period will not be extended.

All information requested on the application must be provided. All information must be accurate. To avoid complications on test day, examinees must use their legal names. *The name on your ID must match exactly with the name on your DAT application.* Examinees with conflicting IDs will be refused admission to the Prometric Test Center and, as a result, miss their scheduled appointment and lose their application fee.

It is the responsibility of the examinee to complete clearly and accurately all sections of the application. No application can be processed unless the completed application and fee are received at the same time. Please read all of the instructions before completing the application. Recheck the application for completeness and accuracy before sending it. If the application is incorrect or illegible, it will not be processed. The application will not be processed without the correct fee or required documentation.

Application changes and corrections must be completed at least two weeks prior to testing. The examinee is responsible for identifying any corrections or omissions and must notify the DTS in writing via U.S. mail or facsimile at 312.587.4105 of any corrections or omissions.

Several times during the application and testing process, you will be required to identify yourself. Examinees are required to identify themselves accurately by name and Social Security Number or Social Insurance Number. Other components of personal identification, such as postal address, year of birth, etc., are also expected to be provided accurately. **Additional information on test center identification policies and procedures is provided below.** If it is determined that you have provided a false name or deliberately provided a false Social Security Number or personal data on the test application, or at the test center, your scores will be voided, all dental schools will be notified, and you must wait two years before being retested.

Privacy and Security

The ADA is concerned with maintaining the privacy and security of all personal information for test-takers. We take the responsibility for protecting your personal information very seriously and use industry standard methods to secure and protect your confidential information.

The DAT program collects and retains personal information only to the extent necessary to serve your needs, administer the DAT; fulfill DAT program responsibilities, including maintaining the integrity of the test and detecting and preventing unlawful activity; and fulfill legal requirements. DAT scores are retained indefinitely, along with testing records and necessary personal data.

DAT scores are released and/or reported to education programs or other entities only on your written authorization or designation by electronic means through the online application or score report request form. Scores will not be reported to you or others by telephone, in person or by other informal means.

The DAT Program may use test data for research purposes and to enhance the testing program. In such instances, the data are confidential and individual examinees will not be identified. That research is reviewed by an institutional review board to ensure protection of your interests.

ADA uses data security procedures to protect the integrity of personal and test information at all times. Security safeguards include administrative, technical, and physical safeguards over data and data processing systems. For information on our policy relating to your use of the ADA.org Web site, please refer to the *Privacy Policy* available on www.ADA.org.

By registering for the test, you consent to the collection, processing, use and transmission of your personal information for purposes related to the DAT Program as outlined in this *Guide*.

Schedule a Testing Appointment

After the application and fee payment are processed, the Prometric Contact Center will receive notification of your eligibility for DAT testing. Upon receipt of the completed application and fee, an e-mail (or letter if no e-mail address is on file) will be sent to you with instructions to call 800.688.5804 or visit www.prometric.com to schedule the day, time, and Prometric Test Center to take the DAT. A list of Prometric Test Centers is located at www.prometric.com. When scheduling electronically, you will be asked to select your area of study (choose: Professional Licensure and Certification), your region (choose: United States), your state (choose the state in which you choose to take the test) and click the *next button*, then click *Schedule an Appointment*, and you will be prompted to enter your eligibility number. Enter the first four letters of your last name. If your last name is less than four characters, enter your complete last name. In order to view the appointment information, both your eligibility number and your last name information must match.

Confirm a Testing Appointment

Examinees can confirm their testing appointments by calling the Prometric Call Center or electronically at www.prometric.com. After scheduling with the Prometric Contact Center, you should confirm the details of the appointment at www.prometric.com and print the confirmation page for your records. It is important that you confirm your testing appointment no later than noon Eastern Time, two business days prior to your appointment. If you find any discrepancies, you must call the Prometric Contact Center immediately. You can confirm your appointment as often as you like.

Cancel or Reschedule a Testing Appointment

The Prometric Contact Center requires notification at least two business days (prior to noon Eastern Time) before the scheduled DAT to cancel or reschedule an appointment for testing at a Prometric Test Center. You may cancel or reschedule your appointment by calling the Prometric Contact Center at 800.688.5804 or at www.prometric.com. No-shows, or examinees who cancel less than two business days prior to the scheduled testing date, will neither be rescheduled to another date nor will they receive a refund. Leaving a message is not sufficient to cancel or reschedule an appointment. A local test center cannot schedule, reschedule, or cancel your appointment. Rescheduling your testing appointment will result in a rescheduling fee payable to Prometric.

Testing Fees

The DAT fee is \$205. This fee includes the submission of official score reports to five dental schools, a personal copy of scores, and a copy of scores for the pre-dental advisor. *The five official score reports are included only if they are listed on the original application.* All requests for official score reports received after the time of application require a \$25 fee per copy even if fewer than five schools were selected at the time of application. Fees are not refundable or transferable.

All fees are payable only in U.S. dollars, by credit card, money order or certified check. Fees for DAT applications and score report requests submitted electronically at www.ada.org are payable by credit card only. All cash and personal checks will be returned. Members of the ADA or ASDA may write a personal check for submission with a paper application, but their membership number must be recorded on the check. Make the certified check or money order payable to the DAT Program. These fees are in no way related to the AADSAS application.

If you cancel a credit card charge or the test fee is otherwise uncollectible, your scores will be withheld until payment is received. A replacement payment must be made by certified check or money order payable to the American Dental Association. An additional fee of \$25 is required for uncollectible fees and must be included with the replacement payment. If you have not resolved a debt within 60 days after a testing date, your scores from the test date are destroyed.

Partial Fee Waiver

Partial fee waivers for the DAT are available to examinees in cases of severe financial hardship. The waiver is 50% of test fees and includes the fee for the test and the five official score reports. There is the customary charge for all score reports beyond five.

Fee waivers must be requested in writing by the examinee. A financial information form will be provided to the examinee. This financial information form should be completed and submitted with the application and pre-dental advisor's letter at least two months before the testing date. The DAT Program will review all fee waiver requests and make the final decision regarding the fee waiver. *A limited number of fee waivers are available.*

An examinee with demonstrated financial hardship is eligible for a partial fee waiver if he/she is a first time tester, a U.S. citizen or resident alien, and has applied for financial aid at his/her school. Fee waivers are granted on a first-come basis to eligible examinees who have submitted their request with a completed DAT application, completed fee waiver financial information form, and letter from their pre-dental advisor. Examinees who have previously received a fee waiver or who have taken the DAT before are not eligible for an additional fee waiver.

TESTING PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

The DAT Program has established rules that govern the administration of the DAT to ensure that no examinee or group of examinees receives unfair advantage on the test. Test Regulations are intended to preserve the integrity of the test process by providing standard test administration conditions that yield valid and reliable results. Accessing test content prior to testing, breaching the confidentiality of the test content or any attempt to subvert the test process violates the purpose and principles of the test. Conduct occurring before, during or after testing that violates these principles or testing Rules and Regulations may result in

invalidation of test results and/or other penalties.

Rules of Conduct

Each examinee must be truthful in completing the application and must abide by all instructions regarding the conduct of the test, whether oral or written. Failure to comply with Test Regulations and Rules of Conduct may result in a determination of an irregularity and your test results may be withheld, cancelled, and/or considered invalid. You may also be directed to leave the test center before you have completed the test. If your scores are withheld as the result of an irregularity, you may be prohibited from testing for up to two years. By applying for the DAT, an examinee agrees to abide by the following Rules of Conduct:

1. You are the person who has registered for the test for the purpose of gaining admission to dental school and presented for testing with valid identification. You may not take the test for someone else, nor may you test for any purpose other than for the purpose of gaining admission to a dental education program.
2. You will not give, receive, or obtain any form of unauthorized assistance prior to or during the test or break periods. By way of example, you will not use or share unreleased test content.
3. You will maintain the confidentiality of the test. You will not reproduce or attempt to reproduce test materials through memorization, recording, or other means. You will not provide information relating to test content that may provide unfair advantage to other examinees. By way of example, you will not make use of or participate in the electronic posting of information regarding test content or answers.
4. You will not bring any unauthorized materials, as described in the Test Regulations below, to the test center, or into the secure testing area.
5. You will not remove materials in any form (written, printed, recorded, or other) from the test center.
6. You will comply with test center policies and procedures and follow the instructions of the test administrator. You will not create a disturbance in the testing center.
7. You will not tamper with the computer testing equipment and facilities.
8. You will comply fully with any investigations of test irregularities.

Examinees cannot disclose (in whole or in part) any test questions or answers to anyone during or after the test, whether orally, in writing, on Internet chat rooms or blogs, or otherwise. The DAT is a secure test, protected by U.S. copyright laws. Any unauthorized disclosure of the test's contents could result in civil liability, criminal penalties, and/or cancellation of test scores. Examinees are encouraged to report any Internet or other activities that disclose information about test questions, so that the DTS may investigate and take necessary action.

Test Center Procedures

Examinees are responsible for being present at the test center well in advance of the scheduled appointment time. Examinees who report late may not be allowed to participate in the test, depending on the time of arrival and schedule of test appointments. Prometric Test Center administrators will determine whether there is sufficient time and space to administer the test. If you arrive late and cannot be seated, you will forfeit the test fee and must submit another application and fee.

In cases of inclement weather, natural disaster or other local conditions that may cause unavoidable interruptions to testing, the DTS and Prometric will make reasonable efforts to notify examinees and reschedule test appointments.

Prior to testing, you should review all information regarding the test including these Test Center Procedures. Examinees are expected to understand and comply with Test Center Regulations herein. Examinees are encouraged to review information related to testing at www.prometric.com.

1. When you arrive at the Prometric Test Center to take the test, two original, current forms of identification, one primary and one secondary, will be requested and must be produced. The primary form must be a government issued ID, bearing a photograph and a signature. Examples of acceptable primary forms (bearing a photograph and signature) are a driver's license or a passport. *At least one ID must have both a picture and a signature.* Examples of secondary forms (IDs that require only a signature) are a debit card, a library card, a credit card, etc.

The name on your ID must match exactly with the name on your DAT application file. Examinees with conflicting IDs will be refused admission to the Prometric Test Center and, as a result, miss their scheduled appointment and lose their application fee. Address or name changes must be submitted in writing via U.S. mail or facsimile to 312.587.4105 at least two weeks prior to testing. If you have any questions concerning types of acceptable identification, please call the DTS office at 800.232.1694.

2. The Prometric Test Center will electronically record the identity of each examinee via a fingerprint, and a photograph before testing. Electronic capture of this biometric data allows for easier and quicker return to the testing facility after breaks. The biometric and other identity data will be retained by Prometric and will be made available for identity verification at potential future test administrations related to dental education and licensure.
3. You must have your Social Security Number, or Social Insurance Number or assigned number with you when you present for testing.
4. You will have an opportunity to become familiar with the operation of the computer by taking a brief tutorial before beginning the actual test.
5. You will be observed at all times while you are taking the test. This observation will include direct observation by test center staff, as well as video recording of your test session. Test center staff may not necessarily inform you of their observations, but they are required to report behavior that may violate the Rules of Conduct, the Test Regulations or other forms of irregular behavior.
6. Test center staff is not authorized to answer questions regarding test content, test software, or scoring.
7. Cellular telephones are not allowed anywhere in the test center, and may not be used on an unscheduled break. Eating and drinking are not permitted in the secure testing area. **Personal belongings are not allowed in the secure testing area.**
8. The test administrator and proctors are responsible for the operations of the facility, maintaining order and administering the test according to established procedures. The test center administrator

is authorized to dismiss an examinee from a test session for violating the Rules of Conduct and/or Test Regulations.

9. Examinees that experience concerns about testing conditions or any unresolved problems should record this information in the appropriate section of the post-test survey and notify the test administrator before leaving the testing center. For issues requiring further action, you must contact the DAT Program within five business days of the testing appointment.

Test Regulations and Prohibited Conduct

All examinees must comply with the Test Regulations, the Rules of Conduct, and the Test Center Procedures, which are intended to preserve the integrity of the testing process by providing standard testing administration conditions that yield valid and reliable results.

1. No personal or miscellaneous items are permitted in the secure testing area. Any personal belongings brought to the test center must be stored in a designated locker. Storage facilities are limited. Upon reasonable suspicion, your personal belongings may be inspected. Notes or any materials that appear to contain test content may be confiscated.
2. Items that are prohibited from the secure testing area include, but are not limited to the following:
 - a. Books, notes, study materials, scratch paper, tissues, or markers not provided by the testing center
 - b. Dental instruments, models or materials
 - c. Slide rules, paper, calculating devices, rulers or other measuring devices
 - d. Electronic devices, such as telephones, pagers, recording devices, iPods, personal digital assistants (PDAs), radios or stereos with headsets; personal earplugs or headphones
 - e. Tote bags; purses, wallets, backpacks, briefcases
 - f. Highlighters, pens, erasers, mechanical pencils, dictionaries, and translators
 - g. Food, candy, gum, water or other beverages
 - h. Outerwear, such as coats, jackets, gloves, or head coverings (except for religious purposes)
 - i. Good luck charms, statues, religious or superstitious talismans
 - j. Medicinal items (except as approved under testing accommodations)
 - k. Watches (digital or analog) or timing devices (a timer is provided on the computer screen during testing)
3. The test center will provide two erasable note boards, two low-odor fine tip dry erase markers, and an eraser to use during the test. Scratch paper, pencils, or markers not provided by the testing center are not permitted. The erasable note board cannot be used as a measuring device and cannot be folded, bent, distorted, or mutilated in any manner. You may not use the dry erase markers on any surface other than the erasable note board. All items must be returned to the test administrator before leaving the Prometric Test Center.
4. Examinees are discouraged from engaging in conversation while on break and are strictly prohibited from discussing the examination at that time. Use of a telephone on an unscheduled break is prohibited.
5. Test center administrators will report the activity of examinees who take unscheduled breaks. Examinees may not study or refer to notes or texts while on an unscheduled break. Examinees may

not access personal belongings or prohibited items (listed in #2 above) during unscheduled breaks and may not leave the test center during an unscheduled break.

6. Although the test is administered under strict supervision and security, test irregularities may sometimes occur. Test scores may be voided based upon a breach of test security, invalid test conditions, or violation of Test Regulations or Rules of Conduct. Examinees are responsible for protecting the integrity of their answers. If cheating is detected during the test, or evidence of irregular behavior is disclosed when the tests are scored, or later, those involved will have their test scores voided.

Failure to comply with Test Regulations and Rules of Conduct may result in a determination of an irregularity and your test results may be withheld, cancelled, and/or considered invalid. You may also be directed to leave the test center before you have completed the test. If your scores are withheld as the result of an irregularity, you may be prohibited from testing for up to two years.

TESTING IRREGULARITIES AND MISCONDUCT

The DAT Program strives to report scores that accurately reflect the skill and performance of each examinee. The standards and procedures for administering each test are intended to give each examinee a comparable opportunity to demonstrate his/her abilities, and to prevent an examinee from gaining an unfair advantage over others.

The DAT Program reserves the right to withhold, void or invalidate any score when the following occur:

- A testing irregularity occurs.
- There is an apparent discrepancy in, or falsification of, an examinee's identification.
- An examinee engages in misconduct or violation of the rules and regulations.
- Falsification of the examinee's score report.
- The score is believed to be invalid for any other reason.

When the DAT Program decides to void or invalidate test scores, it notifies examinees before taking that action (except in cases of testing disruptions or falsification of identity or application or score report information). The notice includes information about the decision and procedures for appeal. If scores have not yet been reported, they will be withheld until an appeal has been resolved, or the time for appeal has expired.

When the DAT Program voids a score that has already been reported, score report recipients will be notified that the examinee's score has been voided. The reason for voiding is usually not reported unless an application or score report contains false information.

The DAT Program reserves the right to pursue other remedies, including prosecution of anyone whose conduct unlawfully undermines the security of the DAT or the integrity of the process.

Irregularities and Appeals

An irregularity is defined as a situation in which there may be a question about the validity of test results with respect to whether they accurately represent the ability of an examinee. Potential reasons for failure to measure the ability of an examinee may include, but are not be limited to, communication between or

among examinees or access to test content that may have been compromised or that has not been officially released for use as study aides or unauthorized assistance. Conduct prohibited by testing Rules and Regulations or the disruption of test administrations (including natural disasters and other emergencies) may also be considered irregularities. Evidence of an irregularity may be in the form of a report from a test administrator.

When an irregularity is identified, scores of the examinee or examinees involved will be withheld or suspended pending resolution of an appeal submitted by the examinee or examinees involved. If the appeal is denied or no appeal is filed, the scores of the examinee or examinees involved will be voided or invalidated.

An examinee whose scores are subject to being voided or invalidated is notified by written correspondence and provided with a copy of the *Dental Admission Test Appeal Process*. An appeal must be submitted in writing and must include adequate documentation. An examinee's appeal may include documentation that he/she believes supports his or her appeal. The appeal should also indicate the specific relief requested. Appeals must be initiated within 30 days after notification of the irregularity.

The examinee will be notified of the DAT Program's action within 60 days after receipt of the appeal. When considering an appeal, the DAT Program strives to ensure that all examinees have an opportunity to demonstrate their ability and potential for success in dental school that is equal to, but not greater than, the opportunity provided to any other examinees. In any appeal, the issue to be decided is whether the appealing examinee's conduct interfered with that opportunity.

The DAT Program will void or invalidate scores only when there is a reasonable and good faith basis to do so. If the DAT Program determines that voiding or invalidating scores is not warranted under the circumstances, any withheld scores will be released.

Examinees should be aware that the DAT Program considers irregularities other than natural disasters and emergencies beyond the control of the examinee to be a serious breach of the test process. The DAT Program handles irregularities in a confidential manner and does not voluntarily share details regarding irregularities. However, examinees should be aware that reports of irregularities may have consequences beyond the withholding or voiding of scores if information regarding the irregularities is brought to the attention of school authorities, regulatory agencies or other entities by other sources.

Examinees are encouraged to report suspicious activity or observations of violations of testing regulations to the DAT Program at 800.232.2162 or by e-mail to education@ada.org.

Arbitration Requirement

Arbitration has become an increasingly common way to resolve legal differences. The advantages of arbitration over traditional lawsuits are that, generally, arbitration is less expensive and issues are resolved in less time. If an examinee wishes to pursue a dispute that has not been resolved by the appeal process mentioned above and detailed in the *DAT Program Appeal Process* the examinee must use the procedure described in the following Agreement to Arbitrate. (See *Arbitration Agreement* on next page.)

AGREEMENT TO ARBITRATE

- 1) In the event that any legal dispute arises between you and the American Dental Association in connection with your participation in the Dental Admission Test where that dispute is not resolved by the appeals process detailed in the Examinee's Guide and elsewhere, you agree that the exclusive means for resolving the dispute shall be Binding Arbitration as described by the terms of this Agreement. This means that you waive the rights you may have to resolve the dispute in a court of law, or by any other means that might otherwise be available to you.
- 2) The American Dental Association ("ADA") agrees to be similarly bound except that the ADA reserves its full rights to pursue injunctive and other appropriate relief in any state or federal court in cases of unfair competition or violations of, or threats to violate, any intellectual property rights of the ADA. With respect to any action filed by the ADA pursuant to this paragraph 2, you consent to submit to the jurisdiction of the state or federal court in which the ADA seeks relief.
- 3) Arbitration proceedings initiated pursuant to this Agreement to Arbitrate shall be conducted in accordance with the then current rules of the American Arbitration Association. The Arbitration and any proceedings relating to it shall be held in Chicago, Illinois. The arbitrator's award shall be binding and may be entered as a judgment in any court of competent jurisdiction. Information about the American Arbitration Association, its rules, and its forms are available from the American Arbitration Association, 335 Madison Avenue, Floor 10, New York, New York, 10017-4605.
- 4) In the event of Arbitration, the parties shall bear their own costs and attorneys' fees associated with the Arbitration proceedings, unless the arbitrator directs one of the parties to pay the other's costs, or attorneys' fees, or both.
- 5) To the fullest extent permitted by law, no Arbitration brought pursuant to this Agreement shall be joined to any Arbitration involving any other party whether through "Class Arbitration" proceedings or otherwise.
- 6) This Agreement is part of the Application to take the Dental Admission Test. Your assent to be bound by it is a requirement for taking the test, but you can only sit for the test if you also fulfill all other conditions imposed by the American Dental Association.

TEST CONTENT

Scope of the Test

The test is comprised exclusively of multiple-choice test items presented in the English language. Each edition of a test is developed according to the test specifications. There are four tests included in the DAT.

Test Preparation Materials

The DAT preparation materials contain samples of the four tests used in the DAT and are available at www.ada.org. These materials are available at no charge to test applicants as a means of discovering possible areas of weakness in their comprehension of subjects covered on the test. They also enable examinees to become familiar with the types of materials included in the test, as well as the general format of the various parts of the test battery.

A tutorial to familiarize you with the mechanics of taking the computer-based DAT is available at www.ada.org. The tutorial does not include sample DAT content, but it does provide the opportunity to become familiar with the basic steps involved in proceeding through the test. At the Prometric Test Center, you will also have an opportunity to become familiar with the workings of the computer by taking a brief optional tutorial before beginning the actual test.

There are no shortcuts to the process of learning, and these test preparation materials are not designed to provide the examinee with an opportunity to bypass the extensive process of absorbing basic information through class participation and months of study.

The DAT Program does not endorse any test preparation courses and has no data on the content or efficacy of test preparation courses designed to prepare examinees to take the DAT. The DTS urges individuals considering participating in test preparation courses to review carefully the course materials to ensure that they reflect the current content of the DAT.

Unreleased Test Materials

Unreleased test materials comprise confidential test material. Obtaining unreleased test items is strictly prohibited whether by methods, such as memorization, recording, copying, etc. Use or sharing of unreleased test materials violates the Rules of Conduct and Testing Regulations. Such activities may provide unfair advantage to individuals or groups of individuals and threaten the validity and credibility of the test. Since all tests are copyrighted property of the American Dental Association, these prohibited activities also violate Federal Copyright Laws. The American Dental Association investigates reports or allegations associated with the generation, use or sharing of unreleased test materials, and will pursue formal action against anyone who violates Test Regulations or Federal Copyright Law.

SCORE INFORMATION

Scoring of Test

DAT scores are based on the number of correct responses; therefore, examinees are not penalized for guessing.

The results are reported to dental schools in terms of standard scores rather than raw scores or percentile equivalents. Using standard scores, it is possible to compare the performance of one examinee with the performance of all examinees. Scores used in the testing program range from 1 to 30. There are no passing or failing scores; the standard score of 17 typically signifies average performance on a national basis.

Each test includes equating and pretest questions. The purpose of the equating questions is to form a link among collections of items, so that examinee's standard scores can be placed on the same measurement scale. Because of these equating questions, examinee's scores have the same meaning regardless of the test they were administered. Unscored pretest questions are included on the test in order to gather information. This information is used in the test construction process to insure that these questions are appropriate before they are included among the scored items.

Test Validity and Score Reliability

Two characteristics allow users to evaluate the quality of a test. These are reliability and validity. Reliability refers to the degree to which test scores are consistent across administrations of the test. If test scores are reliable, then they are dependable and repeatable for an individual examinee. The findings of annual studies clearly indicate that DAT scores are highly reliable.

Validity refers to the extent to which the test measures what it purports to measure. For the DAT, one

approach to evaluating the validity is to correlate scores to grades in schools and colleges of dentistry. Validity studies are available containing correlations between test scores and dental grades. These reports are available at www.ada.org.

A number of procedures are used to insure that tests are fair to all examinees regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, or regional background. The test construction process involves a review of questions to insure that they are not differentially familiar to any groups of individuals. Further, as part of the test analysis process, test question data are analyzed for fairness. Any questions that may appear differentially familiar are evaluated and, if appropriate, modified.

Score Reports

Immediately upon completion of the DAT, an unofficial score report is provided directly to you at the Prometric Test Center. The report includes both standard scores and percentile equivalents. This unofficial report is subject to review and audit for accuracy before official reporting of scores. This report is your personal copy. No other score report will be sent to you. Official scores will be available to the dental schools approximately three to four weeks after the test.

It is suggested that you confer with the pre dental advisor regarding test results. Scores will be automatically forwarded to the pre dental advisor if indicated on the application, although at a later date.

When an examinee repeats the tests, the results of the four most recent attempts are released on the official score report forwarded to the dental schools, and for all examinees, the total number of attempts is listed.

All U.S. dental schools require official DAT scores for each examinee. Official scores will be transmitted to the dental schools requested on the DAT application. It is best to have official scores sent to each of the dental schools to which you are considering application even though you have not yet completed filing admission applications to these schools. Requests for official scores after the test are subject to delay and additional expense. Once a request for official scores has been made, no changes will be allowed.

Scores will not be released without specific written authorization by the examinee. Test scores will be kept on file indefinitely, thereby making it possible to send scores to other programs in the future when requested by the examinees. When requesting additional official score reports, examinees must specify their Social Security Number, Social Insurance Number, or assigned number, the month and the year when the test was taken, and include the appropriate fee. Score reports that are provided directly to the examinee at the testing center are considered unofficial. Additional score requests may be made electronically at www.ada.org. Additional score requests require five to 10 business days for processing.

It is the policy of the DAT Program that once an examinee has taken the test; those scores cannot be voided at the request of the examinee.

Requests for changes in the dental schools receiving official scores will not be accepted after the application has been submitted. Additionally, requests to not send scores to a school listed on the application will not be accepted. Examinees must retain a copy of the schools requested to receive their official scores.

Score Audits

Before official DAT scores are distributed to dental schools, the DTS conducts a quality review of all results in order to confirm the accuracy of the scores. The DTS also reviews test center reports regarding irregularities and violations of Test Regulations. For a period of 30 days after scores are reported, the DAT Program is willing to audit the responses of an examinee upon written request. The fee for an audit is \$50 payable to the American Dental Association by a cashier's check or money order. The audit request form is available at www.ada.org.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Dental School Admission: ASDA Resources

The American Student Dental Association (ASDA), a student-run organization since 1971, is dedicated to meeting the informational needs of dental students and prospective dental students. As someone interested in a career in dentistry, you are eligible for ASDA's pre dental membership. ASDA pre dental membership includes:

Getting Into Dental School: ASDA's Guide for Predental Students, is a comprehensive guide devoted to information on dental school admission requirements and tests, how to apply for dental school, educational costs, clinical requirements, financial aid, scholarships and loans, ASDA membership benefits, and more.

ASDA News, a monthly newsletter reporting association news, dental student opinion, and information about events at ASDA chapters throughout the country.

Journal of the American Student Dental Association, a quarterly publication featuring in-depth articles on issues and developments of interest to young dental professionals.

Leadership development opportunities. Become an active member of ASDA.

As an ASDA pre dental member, you are also eligible for unique loan programs, discounts on DAT preparation materials, auto insurance, car rentals, the ASDA credit card, an online bookstore, and free life insurance. Please call 800.621.8099 (x 2795) or visit www.asdanet.org for further information.

Associated American Dental Schools Application Service (AADSAS) at the American Dental Education Association (ADEA)

The American Dental Education Association (ADEA) and the American Dental Association (ADA) are separate associations. All inquiries concerning the dental school application service (not the DAT) should be directed to AADSAS at ADEA.

AADSAS is available to all students applying to dental schools participating in the program. AADSAS simplifies the application process for students by providing one standardized form, relieving applicants of the need to complete multiple applications. Dental schools benefit by receiving uniform information on all applicants. AADSAS serves as an information clearinghouse, and does not influence any school's appraisal or selection of applicants.

Admission to dental school is competitive; in order to select those schools where your application will have the greatest chance of success, you should review the *Official Guide to Dental School* available from the ADEA, 1400 K Street, NW, Washington, D.C., 20005, (202.298.7201 or www.adea.org). This publication contains useful information concerning specific dental school prerequisites, financial assistance, the cost of a dental education, the AADSAS, and other areas of interest to prospective dental students.

If you decide to apply to any of the dental schools participating in AADSAS, you must file your application through AADSAS. Questions regarding AADSAS can be directed to 800.353.2237.

How to Apply to AADSAS

To initiate your application to any of the schools participating in AADSAS, you may apply electronically at www.adea.org (click on AADSAS) or download a paper application from www.adea.org.

Each participating school has its own specific requirements regarding the payment of a separate application fee, if any, and the submission of supplemental materials (such as letters of recommendation, score reports, etc). The additional requirements are listed in the Supplemental Materials section of the AADSAS instructions. In addition, all schools require official DAT score reports from the DTS, American Dental Association.

AADSAS Processing Fee

The AADSAS processing fees can be found on the AADSAS Web site. AADSAS fees cover the cost of processing your materials and preparing statistical analyses, which assist both dental educators and pre-dental advisors.

Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service (TMDSAS)

Texas Residents MUST apply through the Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service (TMDSAS). To access the full information and the on-line application, please visit their Web site: <http://www.utsystem.edu/tmdsas>.

702 Colorado Street, Suite 6.400
Austin, Texas 78701
Phone: 512.499.4785 Fax: 512.499.4786
Email: tmdsas@utsystem.edu

APPENDIX A PAPER APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

A computer reads the paper application form and you should therefore use a dark (No. 2) pencil to complete the form. Do not use ink. Carefully enter only one number, letter, slash, or dash per box. Leave a blank box or space when appropriate.

After filling in the appropriate boxes, blacken the matching circles under the boxes. Make sure that the correct circle is filled in properly. (Blanks have no circles to fill in.) Correct any errors by completely erasing the errors and/or any stray marks.

In filling out the application, do not skip the columns that are shaded. This shading of columns is provided as a visual aid to assist in the completion of the application. Also, do not fill in two or more circles in a column. Finally, please leave blank boxes or spaces where necessary or appropriate. The information that you provide on the application will be used exactly as provided for all data processing and mailing functions. To avoid errors, please follow each numbered step below in completing the application and proofread carefully.

Box #1 Name

Print your name in the boxes provided. Print your last name first, then your first name and finally your middle initial. In addition to letters, dashes and blank spaces can be used if appropriate. If your name has more letters than there are boxes, print only as many letters as there are space provided. Submit a name change request in writing via facsimile to 312.587.4105.

Box #2 Social Security Number or Canadian Social Insurance Number

Box #3 Date of Birth

Box #4 Daytime Phone

Box #5 Principal College Attended

Please write the name of the principal college you attended. Then find and record the code number for the institution (see Appendix C). If the institution (or the campus/branch of a large college/university system) you attended is not listed, enter its complete name and the city and state in which it is located, but leave the code number circles blank. If your college's code number is listed, please blacken the appropriate circles after you enter the code. Then proceed to Box #6.

Box #6 Testing Accommodations

If you are requesting testing accommodations because of a documented disability, your testing accommodation request form (located at www.ada.org) with the supporting documents should be provided with your application and fee. Applications for testing accommodations because of a documented disability are not processed without the necessary form and documents.

Box #7 Dental Schools to Receive Official Scores

From the list of dental schools (see Appendix D), indicate which schools are to receive official DAT scores by blackening the appropriate circles. You may include up to five schools at the time of application from the following list without any additional fee. If you do not select five schools at the time of application, you must pay the standard fee for additional requests later. The fee for each school over five is \$25 per copy. Please note that all U.S. schools require official scores from the Dental Admission Testing Program. *Please retain a copy of the schools chosen to receive your scores for your own personal records.*

Box #8 Street Address

a. Enter the P.O. Box or address to which correspondence should be mailed. If you have an apartment number, please include it.

b. Enter the city. Blacken the corresponding circles.

c. If your mailing address is in the United States or Canada, enter the appropriate two letter U.S. state, U.S. territory, or Canadian province abbreviation.

d. Enter your U.S. zip code or Canadian postal code. Blacken the appropriate circles. Other examinees leave these circles blank.

e. Blacken the appropriate circle for the country. If other, write the name of the country in the space provided. Also, for other countries, provide any other mailing information that may be necessary.

f. Enter your e-mail address.

Box #9 Testing History

Blacken the circle indicating whether you have taken the DAT before.

Box #10 Prehealth Advisor

Blacken the circle indicating if you wish official DAT scores sent to your pre-health advisor for advising purposes and at no additional charge.

Box #11 Recruitment Availability

Indicate whether you want your name made available to dental schools for recruitment purposes.

Box #12 Minority Recruitment

Indicate whether you want to be considered a minority applicant for recruitment purposes. If so, your name and address will be made available to dental schools.

Box #13 Military Recruitment

Indicate whether you would like to be contacted regarding U.S. military scholarships.

Box #14 Fee

The DAT testing fee is \$205. If you are requesting that official DAT scores be sent to more than five dental schools, please multiply the number in excess of five times \$25, and enter the amount.

Please determine the total amount and enter the total fee in the boxes. Blacken the corresponding circles. Please send a cashier's check or a money order for the total amount with your application form, *Confidential Information Form* and any required letters. The cashier's check or money order should be made payable to the Dental Admission Test. Members of the ADA or ASDA may write a personal check, but their membership number must be recorded on the check.

Please read the statement at the bottom of the second page of your application form. Please sign your name and date. *Do not print your name. Your signature is required.* By signing the application, you confirm that the information provided is true and accurate and that you have read the testing regulations and agree to abide by them. You also agree to resolve any legal differences by arbitration.

APPENDIX B
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FORM INSTRUCTIONS

A *Confidential Information Form* is to be submitted along with the DAT application. Although test applicants provide a minimum of biographical information on the test application form, the *Confidential Information Form* is a more comprehensive information form. The requested information includes your class standing, gender, ethnic identification, financial status, major field of study, etc. This information will be kept confidential and used for national studies related to the testing program. You will not be penalized for leaving some questions unanswered. Please review the forms to see that you have completed them correctly.

Box #16 Name

Please print your last name, first name, and middle initial. Your name should be the same as on the application.

Box #17 U.S. Social Security Number or Canadian Social Insurance Number

This number should be the same as on your application. If you do not have either number, please leave the boxes and circles blank.

Box #18 Gender

Box #19 Ethnic Identification (Optional)

Please select the most appropriate categories and blacken the corresponding circles.

- American Indian
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Black
- Caucasian
- Hispanic
- Multi-Ethnic

Box #20 Size of City

Please select the most appropriate description of the size of the city or town, which was your principal residence during high school. Blacken the appropriate circle.

Box #21 High School Rank

Select the appropriate percentile group for your rank in your high school class. Blacken the appropriate circle.

Box #22 Extracurricular Activities

Blacken the circle(s) of any listed extracurricular activities in which you participate.

Box #23 Predental College Major

Blacken the circle, which indicates your predental college major. Mark only one.

Box #24 Predental Education

Blacken the circle, which indicates the amount of predental education you have completed at this time.

Box #25 College Grade Point Average

Blacken the circle, which indicates your cumulative (college/university) grade point average.

Box #26 Science Grade Point Average

Blacken the circle that indicates your cumulative science grade point average.

Box #27 Review Course

Indicate whether you have taken a review course to prepare for the DAT by blackening the appropriate circle.

Box #28 Duration of Review Course

If you answered "yes" to review course, blacken the appropriate circle indicating the length of the course.

Box #29 Other Admissions Tests

Blacken the appropriate circle indicating whether you have taken (or plan to take) the MCAT, OAT, VAT, PCAT or the AHPAT.

Box #30 Enrollment

Blacken the circle, which indicates the year you plan to enroll in a dental school. If undecided, leave blank.

Box #31 Anticipated Financial Indebtedness

Blacken the circle that indicates your anticipated financial indebtedness (excluding home mortgages) at the time of matriculation into dental school.

Box #32 Sources of Funding

Estimate the percentage of dental education expected to be financed by the four sources listed. Blacken the appropriate percentage for each source of funds. The total sum of the percentages from the four sources should equal 100%.

Box #33 Father's Occupation

From the occupational categories provided, blacken the appropriate circle for your father's occupation.

Box #34 Father's Education

Blacken the appropriate circle indicating the level of your father's education.

Box #35 Mother's Occupation

From the occupational categories provided, blacken the appropriate circle for your mother's occupation.

Box #36 Mother's Education

Blacken the appropriate circle indicating the level of your mother's education.

Box #37 Parents' Net Income

Estimate and blacken the circle, which indicates your parents' combined net annual income.

Box #38 Household Language

Blacken the appropriate circle indicating whether English is the dominant language spoken in your household.

**APPENDIX C
PRINCIPAL COLLEGE ATTENDED**

	Alabama		
001009	Auburn University, Main Campus	001142	California State University, San Bernardino
001012	Birmingham Southern College	001143	California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo
001016	University of Northern Alabama	001144	California Polytechnic University, Pomona
001020	Jacksonville State University	001146	California State University, Chico Campus
001033	Oakwood College	001147	California State University, Fresno
001036	Samford University	001150	California State University, Sacramento
001041	Spring Hill College	001151	San Diego State University
001050	Tuskegee Institute	001153	California State University, Northridge
001051	University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa	001154	San Francisco State University
001052	University of Alabama, Birmingham	001155	San Jose State University
001057	University of South Alabama	001156	Sonoma State University
008310	Auburn University, Montgomery	001216	University of LaVerne
	Alaska	001215	La Sierra University
001063	University of Alaska, Fairbanks	001218	Loma Linda University
	Arizona	001238	Mills College Oakland
001081	Arizona State University	001249	Occidental College, Los Angeles
001082	Northern Arizona University	001258	Pacific Union College
001083	University of Arizona	001262	Point Loma College, San Diego
	Arkansas	001264	Pepperdine College
001090	Arkansas State University, Main Campus	001272	San Bernardino Valley College
001092	University of Central Arkansas	001286	Santa Monica College
001098	Henderson State University	001305	Stanford University
001099	Hendrix College	001312	University of California, Berkeley
001101	University of Arkansas, Little Rock	001313	University of California, Davis
001102	Quachita Baptist University	001314	University of California, Irvine
001107	South Arkansas University, Main Campus	001315	University of California, Los Angeles
001108	University of Arkansas, Fayetteville	001316	University of California, Riverside
	California	001317	University of California, San Diego
001326	Santa Clara University	001319	University of California, San Francisco
001137	California State University, Fullerton	001320	University of California, Santa Barbara
001138	California State University, Hayward	001321	University of California, Santa Cruz
001139	California State University, Long Beach	001325	University of San Francisco
001140	California State University, Los Angeles	001328	University of Southern California
001141	California State University, Dominguez Hills	001329	University of the Pacific
		001342	Whittier College
		010395	University of San Diego
		011649	Loyola Marymount University

	Colorado	003955	University of West Florida
001347	Colorado College	009635	Florida International University
001349	University of Northern Colorado, Greeley		
001350	Colorado State University		Georgia
001353	Fort Lewis College	001546	Armstrong Atlantic State University
001363	Regis College	001552	Augusta College
001369	U.S. Air Force Academy	001561	Columbus College
001370	University of Colorado, Boulder	001564	Emory University
001371	University of Denver	001566	Fort Valley State College
		001569	Georgia Institute Technology
	Connecticut	001572	Georgia Southern College
001385	Fairfield University	001574	Georgia State University
001402	Quinnipiac University	001580	Mercer University, Main Campus
001414	Trinity College	001582	Morehouse College
001416	University of Bridgeport	001583	Morris Brown College
001424	Wesleyan University	001590	Savannah State College
001426	Yale University	001594	Spelman College
008718	University of Connecticut, Storrs	001598	University of Georgia
009030	University of Connecticut, Farmington	001599	Valdosta State College
		001601	West Georgia College
	Delaware		
001431	University of Delaware		Hawaii
		001610	University of Hawaii at Manoa
	District of Columbia		
001434	American University		Idaho
001437	Catholic University of America	001616	Boise State University
001443	Gallaudet University	001620	Idaho State University
001444	George Washington University	001626	University of Idaho
001445	Georgetown University		
001448	Howard University		Illinois
001441	University of District of Columbia	001633	Augustana College
		001641	Bradley University
	Florida	001671	DePaul University
001466	Barry College	001674	Eastern Illinois University
001481	Florida Atlantic University	001676	Elmhurst College
001489	Florida State University	001692	Illinois State University
001495	Jacksonville University	001693	Northeastern Illinois University
001506	Miami Dade Community College	001694	Chicago State University
001512	Palm Beach Community College	001696	Illinois Wesleyan University
001531	Stetson University	001707	Lewis University
001535	University of Florida	001710	Loyola University of Chicago
001536	University of Miami	001724	Millikin University
001537	University of South Florida	001725	Monmouth College
001538	University of Tampa	001737	Northern Illinois University
003954	University of Central Florida	001759	Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville

Illinois (Continued)

001767 Illinois Benedictine College
 001773 Triton College
 001774 University of Chicago
 001775 University of Illinois, Urbana
 001776 University of Illinois, Chicago Circle Campus
 001780 Western Illinois University
 001781 Wheaton College
 006753 Illinois Central College

Indiana

001786 Ball State University
 001788 Butler University
 001792 DePauw University
 001795 University of Evansville
 001801 Hanover College
 001804 University of Indianapolis
 001808 University of Southern Indiana, Evansville
 001809 Indiana University, Bloomington
 Indiana University-Purdue University of
 001813 Indianapolis
 001814 Indiana University, Kokomo
 001815 Indiana University, Northwest
 001825 Purdue University, West Lafayette
 001840 University of Notre Dame
 001842 Valparaiso University
 001844 Wabash College
 009563 Indiana State University, Terre Haute

Iowa

001860 Drake University
 001868 Grinnell College
 001869 Iowa State University
 001873 Loras College
 001874 Luther College
 001890 University of North Iowa
 001892 University of Iowa

Kansas

001927 Emporia State University
 001928 Kansas State University of Agriculture
 001949 Washburn University of Topeka
 001950 Wichita State University

Kentucky

001963 Eastern Kentucky University
 001976 Morehead State University
 001977 Murray State University
 001987 Transylvania University
 001989 University of Kentucky
 001999 University of Louisville
 002001 Thomas More College
 002002 Western Kentucky University

Louisiana

002004 Dillard University
 002005 Nicholls State College
 002008 Louisiana Technology University
 002010 Louisiana State University & Agri. & Mech.
 & Herbert Laws Center, Baton Rouge
 002011 Louisiana State University, Alexandria
 002013 Louisiana State University, Shreveport
 002015 University of New Orleans
 002016 Loyola University, New Orleans
 002017 McNeese State University
 002020 University of Louisiana, Monroe
 002021 Northwestern State University of Louisiana
 002024 Southeastern Louisiana University
 002029 Tulane University
 002031 University of Southwestern Louisiana
 002032 Xavier University of Louisiana
 09636 Southern University & A & M College at
 Baton Rouge

Maine

002038 Bowdoin College
 002053 University of Maine, Orono

Maryland

002067 Columbia Union College
 002068 Coppin State College
 002073 Goucher College
 002077 Johns Hopkins University
 002078 Loyola College
 002083 Morgan State University
 002086 Mount St. Mary's College

	Maryland (continued)		
002099	Towson State University	002301	Northern Michigan University
02101	U.S. Naval Academy	002307	Oakland University
002103	University of Maryland, College Park Campus	002323	University of Detroit Mercy
002105	University of Maryland, Baltimore County Campus	002329	Wayne State University
002107	Villa Julie College	002330	Western Michigan University
		009092	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
		909092	University of Michigan, Dearborn
	Massachusetts		Minnesota
002118	Assumption College	002346	Concordia College at Moorehead
002120	Merrimack College	002353	Gustavus Adolphus College
002128	Boston College	002358	Macalester College
002130	Boston University	002360	Mankato State University
002133	Brandeis University	002377	St. Cloud State University
002139	Clark University	002379	St. John's University
002141	College of the Holy Cross	002380	St. Mary's College
002155	Harvard University	002382	St. Olaf's College
002165	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy	002386	United Theological Seminary
002188	Salem State College	002388	University of Minnesota, Duluth
002192	Mount Holyoke College	002389	University of Minnesota, Morris
002199	Northeastern University	003969	University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minneapolis
002209	Smith College		
002217	Stonehill College		Mississippi
002218	Suffolk University	002397	Belhaven College
002219	Tufts University	002403	Delta State University
002221	University of Massachusetts, Amherst	002410	Jackson State University
002222	University of Massachusetts, Boston	002414	Millsaps College
	Michigan	002415	Mississippi College
002234	Adrian College	002423	Mississippi State University
002235	Albion College	002439	Tougaloo College
002238	Andrews University	002440	University of Mississippi
002243	Central Michigan University	002441	University of Southern Mississippi
002259	Eastern Michigan University	002403	Delta State University
002260	Ferris State University	002410	Jackson State University
002272	Hillsdale College	002414	Millsaps College
002273	Hope College	002415	Mississippi College
002275	Kalamazoo College	002423	Mississippi State University
002282	Madonna College	002439	Tougaloo College
002290	Michigan State University	002440	University of Mississippi
002292	Michigan Technology University	002441	University of Southern Mississippi

Missouri

002454 Central Missouri State University
 002461 Drury College
 002495 Truman State University
 002496 Northwest Missouri State University
 002499 Rockhurst College
 002501 Southeast Missouri State University
 002503 Southwest Missouri State University
 002512 Stephens College
 002516 University of Missouri, Columbia
 002518 University of Missouri, Kansas City
 002519 University of Missouri, St. Louis
 002520 Washington University
 002523 Westminster College
 002524 William Jewell College

Montana

002526 Carroll College
 002532 Montana State University
 002536 University of Montana

Nebraska

002542 Creighton University
 002544 Doane College
 002551 University of Nebraska at Kearney
 002554 University of Nebraska, Omaha
 002555 Nebraska Wesleyan University
 002565 University of Nebraska, Lincoln
 002566 Wayne State College

Nevada

002568 University of Nevada, Reno
 002569 University of Nevada, Las Vegas

New Hampshire

002573 Dartmouth College
 002587 St. Anselm's College
 002589 University of New Hampshire, Durham

New Jersey

002603 Drew University
 002605 Fairleigh Dickinson University, Madison

New Jersey (continued)

002607 Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck
 002617 Montclair State University
 002621 New Jersey Institute of Technology
 002625 William Paterson University
 002627 Princeton University
 002631 Rutgers University, Newark
 002632 Seton Hall University
 002639 Stevens Institute of Technology
 004741 Rutgers University, Camden
 006964 Rutgers University, New Brunswick

New Mexico

002657 New Mexico State University, Las Cruces
 002658 New Mexico State University, Alamogordo
 006881 University of New Mexico, Gallup
 008854 New Mexico State University, Grants
 010313 University of New Mexico, Main Campus, Albuquerque
 910313 University of New Mexico, Los Alamos

New York

002666 Adelphi University
 002668 Alfred University
 002681 Canisius College
 002687 C.U.N.Y. Brooklyn College
 002688 C.U.N.Y. City College
 002689 C.U.N.Y. Hunter College
 002690 C.U.N.Y. Queens College
 002698 C.U.N.Y. Staten Island
 002699 Clarkson University
 002701 Colgate University
 002707 Columbia University
 002711 Cornell University, Ithaca
 002722 Fordham University
 002727 Pace University, White Plains
 002728 Hamilton College
 002731 Hobart & William Smith College
 002732 Hofstra University
 002737 Iona College
 002748 LeMoyne College
 002754 Long Island University, C.W. Post

	New York (continued)	002976	University of North Carolina, Greensboro
002755	Long Island University, Southampton	002978	Wake Forest University
002758	Manhattan College		
002782	New York Institute of Technology		North Dakota
002785	New York University	002991	University of North Dakota, Devils Lake
002788	Niagara University	002995	North Dakota State University, Bottineau
002791	Pace University, New York	003005	University of North Dakota, Grand Forks
002792	Pace University, Pleasantville	003007	University of North Dakota, Williston
002803	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	009265	North Dakota State University, Fargo
002806	Rochester Institute of Technology		
002816	Siena College		Ohio
002823	St. John's University	003014	Baldwin Wallace College
002835	S.U.N.Y. at Albany	003018	Bowling Green State University
002836	S.U.N.Y. at Binghamton	003024	Case Western Reserve University
002837	S.U.N.Y. at Buffalo	003032	Cleveland State University
002838	S.U.N.Y. at Stony Brook	003037	College of Wooster
002841	S.U.N.Y. College at Brockport	003042	Denison University
002842	S.U.N.Y. College of Buffalo	003050	John Carroll University
002847	S.U.N.Y. College Oneonta	003051	Kent State University, Kent
002848	S.U.N.Y. College Oswego	003052	Kent State University, Ashtabula
002882	Syracuse University	003054	Kent State University, North Canton
002889	Union College	003056	Kent State University, East Liverpool
002892	U.S. Merchant Marine Academy	003061	Kent State University, Salem
002893	U.S. Military Academy West Point	003062	Kent State University, New Philadelphia
002894	University of Rochester	003064	Kent State University, Warren
002899	Wagner College	003065	Kenyon College
002903	Yeshiva University	003084	Muskingum College
007022	C.U.N.Y. Lehman College	003100	Ohio University, Athens
007968	New York Institute of Technology, Old Westbury	003101	Ohio University, Belmont
902754	Long Island University, Brentwood	003102	Ohio University, Chillicothe
904804	New York Institute of Technology, Central Islip	003103	Ohio University, Ironton
		003104	Ohio University, Lancaster
	North Carolina	003108	University of Ohio, Zanesville
002907	University of North Carolina, Asheville	003123	University of Akron
002918	Davidson College	003125	University of Cincinnati
002920	Duke University	003127	University of Dayton
002923	East Carolina University	003131	University of Toledo
002950	North Carolina Central University	003143	Wittenberg University
002954	Pembroke State University	003144	Xavier University
002972	North Carolina State University	003145	Youngstown State University
002974	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	006883	Ohio State University, Columbus
002975	University of North Carolina, Charlotte	007104	Miami University, Oxford

	Ohio (continued)		
007856	Bowling Green University, Huron	003378	University of Pennsylvania
009168	Wright State University, Dayton	003379	University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh
		003382	University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown
		003384	University of Scranton
	Oklahoma	003385	Ursinus College
003152	Central State College	003388	Villanova University
003154	East Central State University	003389	Washington & Jefferson College
003161	Oklahoma State University	003394	Wilkes University
003163	Northeastern State University	006965	Pennsylvania State University, University Park
003166	Oklahoma City University		
003165	Oklahoma Christian College		
003170	Oklahoma State University		
003184	University of Oklahoma, Norman		
003185	University of Tulsa		
003985	Oral Roberts University		
			Puerto Rico
		003936	Catholic University of Puerto Rico
		003937	University of the Sacred Heart
		003940	Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Hato Rey
		003944	University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez
		003945	University of Puerto Rico, San Juan
		007108	University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras
		007206	University of Puerto Rico, Cayey
		009652	University of Puerto Rico, Ponce
	Oregon		
003210	Oregon State University		
003216	Portland State University		
003223	University of Oregon		
003224	University of Portland		
			Rhode Island
003229	Albright College	003401	Brown University
003230	Allegheny College	003406	Providence College
003238	Bucknell University	003414	University of Rhode Island
003253	Dickinson College		
003258	Duquesne University		
003262	Elizabethtown College		
003266	Gannon University		
003279	Juniata College		
003282	Kings College		
003284	Lafayette College		
003289	Lehigh University		
003290	Lincoln University		
003304	Muhlenberg College		
003313	Widener College		
003316	California University of Pennsylvania		
003366	St. Francis College		
003367	St. Joseph's University		
003368	St. Vincent College		
003371	Temple University		
			South Carolina
		003423	Citadel Military College
		003425	Clemson University
		003428	College of Charleston
		003434	Furman University
		003446	South Carolina State College
		003445	Presbyterian College
		003448	University of South Carolina, Columbia
		003449	University of South Carolina at Aiken
		003450	University of South Carolina at Beaufort
		003457	Wofford College
		004927	University of South Carolina at Union
		009226	Francis Marion College
		012112	University of South Carolina at Sumter

	South Dakota		
003471	South Dakota State University	003656	University of Texas, Arlington
010300	University of South Dakota	003658	University of Texas, Austin
		003660	University of Texas, Houston
		003662	University of Texas, San Antonio
	Tennessee	003661	University of Texas, El Paso
003478	Austin Peay State College	003665	West Texas State University
003482	Christian Brothers College	006967	Baylor University
003487	East Tennessee State University	008163	San Antonio College
003490	Fisk University	010366	Texas A & M University College Station
003509	University of Memphis		
003510	Middle Tennessee State University		Utah
003518	Southern Adventist College, Collegedale	003670	Brigham Young University
003519	Rhodes College	003675	University of Utah
003522	Tennessee State University	003677	Utah State University
003523	Tennessee Technological University	003678	Southern Utah State College
003529	University of Tennessee, Chattanooga	003680	Weber State University
003530	University of Tennessee, Knoxville		
003531	University of Tennessee, Martin		Vermont
003535	Vanderbilt University	003691	Middlebury College
		003694	St. Michael's College
	Texas	00396	University of Vermont & State Agricultural College
003537	Abilene Christian University		
003541	Angelo State University		Virginia
003543	Austin College	003721	James Madison University
003565	East Texas State University	003728	Old Dominion University
003576	Houston Baptist University	003735	Virginia Commonwealth University
003578	Incarnate Word College	003744	University of Richmond
003581	Lamar University	003749	George Mason University
003604	Rice University	003753	Virginia Military Institute
003606	Sam Houston State College	003754	Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University
003609	San Jacinto College, Central Campus	003766	Virginia Union University
003613	Southern Methodist University	006968	University of Virginia, Charlottesville
003615	Southwest Texas State University		
003624	Stephen F. Austin State University		Washington
003636	Texas Christian University	003775	Eastern Washington University
003639	Texas A & I University	003778	Gonzaga University
003642	Texas Southern University	003785	Pacific Lutheran University
003644	Texas Technology University	003790	Seattle University
003645	Texas Wesleyan College	003797	University of Puget Sound
003647	Trinity University	003798	University of Washington
003651	University of Dallas		
003652	University of Houston		

Washington (continued)

003799 Walla Walla College
003800 Washington State University
003802 Western Washington University

West Virginia

003815 Marshall University
003818 University of Charleston
003827 West Virginia University

Wisconsin

003838 Carroll College
003863 Marquette University
003892 St. Norbert College
003895 University of Wisconsin, Madison
003896 University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
003899 University of Wisconsin, Green Bay
003917 University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
003918 University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse
003921 University of Wisconsin, Platteville
003924 University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
003925 University of Wisconsin, Superior
003926 University of Wisconsin, Whitewater

Wyoming

003932 University of Wyoming

APPENDIX D
DENTAL SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE OFFICIAL SCORES

02	University of Alabama	72	Ohio State University
03	Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health	74	Case Western Reserve University
04	University of the Pacific	76	University of Oklahoma
06	University of California, San Francisco	78	Oregon Health and Science University
07	University of California, Los Angeles	80	Temple University
08	University of Southern California	82	University of Pennsylvania
10	Loma Linda University	84	University of Pittsburgh
11	University of Colorado	85	Medical University of South Carolina
12	University of Connecticut	86	Meharry Medical College
15	Western University of Health Sciences	88	University of Tennessee
16	Howard University	90	Baylor College of Dentistry
18	University of Florida	92	University of Texas, Houston
21	Nova Southeastern University	93	University of Texas, San Antonio
22	Medical College of Georgia	94	Virginia Commonwealth University
23	Midwestern University		
27	Southern Illinois University	96	University of Washington
28	University of Illinois	97	West Virginia University
30	Indiana University	98	Marquette University
32	University of Iowa	99	University of Puerto Rico
33	University of Kentucky		
34	University of Louisville		
			Canadian Dental Schools
36	Louisiana State University	X0	University of Saskatchewan
38	University of Maryland	X1	University of Alberta
40	Harvard School of Dental Medicine	X2	University of British Columbia
41	Boston University	X3	University of Manitoba
42	Tufts University	X4	Dalhousie University
44	University of Detroit-Mercy	X5	University of Toronto
46	University of Michigan	X6	University of Western Ontario
48	University of Minnesota	X7	McGill University
49	University of Mississippi	X8	University of Montreal
52	University of Missouri, Kansas City	X9	University of Laval
56	Creighton University		
58	University of Nebraska		
60	University of New Jersey		
62	Columbia University		
64	New York University		
65	SUNY, Stony Brook		
66	SUNY, Buffalo		
68	University of Nevada at Las Vegas		
70	University of North Carolina		

APPENDIX E TEST SPECIFICATIONS

Effective January 2009 to December 2009

The DAT consists of the following four tests:

I. Survey of the Natural Sciences (100)

Biology (40)

Cell and Molecular Biology - origin of life; cell metabolism (including photosynthesis)/enzymology; cellular processes: thermodynamics; organelle structure and function, mitosis/meiosis, cell structure, and experimental cell biology

Diversity of Life: Biological Organization and Relationship of Major Taxa (monera, plantae, animalia, protista, fungi, etc.) using the five-kingdom system

Structure and Function of Systems - integumentary, skeletal, muscular, circulatory, immunological, digestive, respiratory, urinary, nervous/senses, endocrine, and reproductive

Developmental Biology - fertilization, descriptive embryology, developmental mechanisms, and experimental embryology

Genetics - molecular genetics, human genetics, classical genetics, chromosomal genetics, and genetic technology

Evolution, Ecology, and Behavior - natural selection, population genetics/speciation, cladistics, population and community ecology, ecosystems, and animal behavior (including social behavior).

General Chemistry (30)

Stoichiometry and General Concepts - percent composition, empirical formulae, balancing equations, moles and molecular formulas, molar mass, density, and calculations from balanced equations

Gases - kinetic molecular theory of gases, Dalton's, Boyle's, Charles', and ideal gas laws

Liquids and Solids - intermolecular forces, phase changes, vapor pressure, structures, polarity, and properties

Solutions - polarity, properties (colligative, non-colligative), forces, and concentration calculations

Acids and Bases - pH, strength, Brønsted-Lowry reactions, and calculations

Chemical Equilibria - molecular, acid/base, precipitation, calculations, and Le Chatelier's principle

Thermodynamics and Thermochemistry - laws of thermodynamics, Hess' law, spontaneity, enthalpies and entropies, and heat transfer

Chemical Kinetics - rate laws, activation energy, and half-life

Oxidation-Reduction Reactions - balancing equations, determination of oxidation numbers, electrochemical calculations, and electrochemical concepts and terminology

Atomic and Molecular Structure - electron configuration, orbital types, Lewis-Dot diagrams, atomic theory, quantum theory, molecular geometry, bond types, and sub-atomic particles

Periodic Properties - representative elements, transition elements, periodic trends, and descriptive chemistry

Nuclear Reactions - balancing equations, binding energy, decay processes, particles, and terminology

Laboratory - basic techniques, equipment, error analysis, safety, and data analysis

Organic Chemistry (30)

Mechanisms: Energetics, Structure, and Stability of Intermediates - S_N1, S_N2, elimination, addition, free radical, and substitution mechanisms

Chemical and Physical Properties of Molecules and Organic Analysis - inter- and intra-molecular forces, separation, introductory infrared spectroscopy, ¹H NMR spectroscopy, ¹³C NMR, chemical identification, stability, solubility, and polarity

Stereochemistry - conformational analysis, geometric isomers, stereoisomers (enantiomers, diastereomers, meso compounds), and optical activity (planes of symmetry)

Nomenclature - IUPAC rules and functional groups in molecules

Individual Reactions of the Major Functional Groups and Combinations of Reactions to Synthesize Compounds - carbon-to-carbon bond formation, functional groups conversions, multistep synthesis, redox reactions, name reactions, Grignard, Witting, Diels-Alder, Aldol reaction

Acid-Base Chemistry - resonance effects, inductive effects, and prediction of products and equilibria

Aromatics and Bonding - concept of aromaticity, resonance, atomic/molecular orbitals, hybridization, and bond angles/lengths.

II. Perceptual Ability (90)

The Perceptual Ability Test is comprised of six subtests: apertures, angle discrimination, cube counting, 3D form development, paper folding, and view recognition.

III. Reading Comprehension (50)

The ability to read, organize, analyze, and remember new information in dental and basic sciences; ability to comprehend thoroughly when studying scientific information. Reading materials are typi-

cal of materials encountered in the first year of dental school and require no prior knowledge of the topic other than a basic undergraduate preparation in science. The Reading Comprehension Test contains three reading passages.

IV. Quantitative Reasoning (40)

Mathematical Problems: Algebra - equations and expressions, inequalities, exponential notation, absolute value, ratios and proportions, and graphical analysis

Numerical calculations: fractions and decimals, percentages, approximations and scientific notation

Conversions - temperature, time, weight, and distance

Probability and Statistics

Geometry

Trigonometry, and Applied Mathematics (word) Problems