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## **DO YOU HAVE BILINGUAL CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 11-17?**

**Did you know that you can already prepare them to take SAT® and AP® exams that will give them an advantage on college applications, and allow you to save financially?**

### **What is the SAT®?**

The SAT® (Scholastic Aptitude Test) is an exam that is taken in high school that evaluates a student's level of knowledge on a scholastic level. For some high schools, a student that passes the Italian SAT® can satisfy the foreign language requirement for that high school.

### **What is the AP®?**

The AP® (Advanced Placement) is an exam taken by students in high school but is considered a college-level exam.

- Students who pass the AP® Italian exam can start to earn college credits recognized in almost all American universities and by international universities in over 60 countries in the world.
- A student that passes the AP® Italian exam can satisfy their college foreign language requirement and use those 20-30 credits instead to take other courses such as leadership, sports, journalism, computer, etc. These are all elective courses that most are not able to take for lack of time.
- Students who pass three AP® exams, with one being Italian, can enroll with no problem in Italian universities that in addition to being very prestigious are very inexpensive.
- To learn more about which schools recognize the AP® in Italy visit: <http://international.collegeboard.org/programs/ap-recognition/italy>

## **How can I prepare my son/daughter for the SAT® and the AP® in Italian?**

It is not enough that your child speaks Italian at home for them to pass these tests. These are both oral and written tests that require a particular ability, other than knowledge of grammar. A student might be able to write a perfect composition, with minimal grammatical errors, but if they don't know how to structure it according to the requirements of the exam they will not be able to attain a sufficiently high score.

Fondazione Italia's **Ragazzi Italiani** class teaches a curriculum that prepares students for both the Italian SAT® and Italian AP® exams. The course was developed to prepare students in middle and high school for these tests by introducing exercises and practice tests that will be similar to those on the exams. For example the course will prepare them to make cultural paragon, engage in informed conversations using idioms and figures of speech, and to elaborate on their compositions using specific written and oral skills.

Starting in the fall of 2017, Fondazione Italia will offer an in-person group Ragazzi Italiani course at our Burbank Center and an online course.

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