

## Test-Flexible Policy

Linden Hall is pleased to offer a test-flexible admission policy. While most students elect to submit testing as part of their application, we appreciate that not all students can travel to a testing center or location during these uncertain times. We want to make our top-notch education as accessible as possible, and we invite candidates to choose the option that works best for them.

Review the options below and email us at [admissions@lindenhall.org](mailto:admissions@lindenhall.org) if you have any questions. Please note that scores will still be a factor for many [merit scholarships](#).

**Group A: Students who have been educated within the US/Canada in a fully English-based curriculum for at least 5 years** are asked to submit one of the following:

- SSAT; or
- ISEE; or
- PSAT (typically Upper School candidates); or
- ACT (Upper School candidates); or
- SAT (Upper School candidates); or
- State-level testing (e.g., PSSA, MCAS, STARR, NYSTP); or
- Other standardized test (e.g., CAT, Iowa Assessments).

For those students unable to submit any of the scores listed above, Linden Hall requires:

1. A recent, graded English or other humanities essay that includes teacher comments, and
2. A recent, graded math assessment (quiz or exam) that includes teacher marking/comments, and
3. Details about their current math textbook such as title, author(s), and edition.

**Group B: Students who have been educated outside the US/Canada at any point in the last 5 years** are asked to demonstrate English proficiency via:

- TOEFL; or
- Duolingo English online.

These students do not need to submit any additional scores. While the TOEFL iBT remains our most consistent English placement option, given the difficulty in accessing this test in some locations we are able to accept Duolingo. All students will sit for a TOEFL exam on campus during Orientation.

Students who feel they need not demonstrate English proficiency should email us at [admissions@lindenhall.org](mailto:admissions@lindenhall.org) to explain their situation. If approved for an English proficiency waiver, they will instead be directed to fulfill one of the options for Group A.