

You may not realize it, but you have been preparing to take the ACT[®] for years. The ACT has always been about what students learn in high school.

There are many reasons to take the ACT test.

The ACT ...

- Is accepted by all US colleges and universities
- Has an optional Writing Test
- Is the nation's #1 college entrance exam
- Includes an educational and career planning component
- Provides four free score reports*

Is scored based on correct answers only *If ordered at time of registration





Based on what you learn in school

The ACT has always been about what you learn in high school core courses. Every day you attend class you're preparing for the ACT. Students frequently tell us that they feel more comfortable taking the ACT since it is directly related to what they learn in most of their high school courses.

Accepted by all US colleges

ACT scores are accepted by all four-year colleges and universities in the United States.

Optional Writing Test

Since not all colleges and universities require a writing test for admission, ACT offers students the choice to take the Writing Test—it's optional. Students can check if schools they are interested in require the ACT Writing Test by visiting: www.actstudent.org/writing.

More than an admissions exam

The ACT does more than help you check off a to-do from your college admissions checklist. The ACT includes a profile and education/career planning section designed to explore your interests, courses taken, and preferences to help you plan for your life after high school. You will receive personalized career information and develop a comprehensive profile that tells colleges about your work in high school and future plans. The ACT will also show your strengths and weaknesses in the subject areas tested to help direct your future education.

No penalty for guessing

The ACT is the only college admissions test that provides scores based on the correct number of answers, with no deductions for incorrect answers. Do your best, and be sure to mark an answer to every question.

You choose which scores to send

If you take the ACT more than once, you can select which test date results you would like to send to the schools of your choice. Scores are only sent for the test dates you select. When registering for the ACT, you can select up to four colleges to send your scores to for free.

Many ways to prepare

You don't need to spend a lot of money on test preparation to do well on the ACT. Because the ACT is based on what you learn in school, the best way to prepare is to take challenging courses in high school and study hard. It's a good idea to become familiar with the test before you take it, and the ACT student website **www.actstudent.org**—provides free resources, including online practice questions and testing tips for each subject area. The site also contains *Preparing for the ACT*, a downloadable document that includes test information, complete practice tests, and a writing prompt with sample essays.

A good value

Preparing for college can be expensive. The ACT is a good value because it offers a college admissions test and a career planning component for one modest fee. And you can make yourself visible to colleges and scholarship agencies across the country by taking the ACT. It's a complete package of services to help you get ready for life beyond high school.

You've got this!

For more information about the ACT and preparation resources go to www.actstudent.org.



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