

## College Entrance Tests

Colleges use these standardized tests as a way to compare students from across the country. Typically, they require the ACT or SAT Reasoning Test and/or three SAT Subject tests.

	ACT	SAT
Accepted/Preferred By	All schools in the nation	All schools in the nations. Some out-of-state and/or highly selective colleges and universities
Assesses	“Achievement” - General educational development and ability to complete college level work	“Aptitude” - Verbal and mathematical skills, ability to reason with facts and concepts
Areas Tested	English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science, Essay (optional)	Reading, Writing and Language, Math, Essay (optional)
Score	Composite (Total Average): 1-36	Composite (Total Average): 400-1600
Writing Component	Optional (Scored 2-12)	Optional (Essay reported in 3 dimensions, each 2-8)
Unique Features	Includes interest inventory	Option for taking SAT II Subject Tests (required for a few selective colleges)
National 2018-2019 Test Dates	Sept. 8 <sup>th</sup> , Oct. 27 <sup>th</sup> , Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup> , Feb. 9 <sup>th</sup> , April 13 <sup>th</sup> , June 8 <sup>th</sup> , July 13 <sup>th</sup>	Oct. 6 <sup>th</sup> , Nov. 3 <sup>rd</sup> , Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup> , Mar. 9 <sup>th</sup> , May 4 <sup>th</sup> , June 1 <sup>st</sup>
Offered at AFSA	October 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2018*	Not offered at AFSA
Costs (subject to change)	\$46.00—ACT, No Writing \$62.50—ACT plus Writing	\$47.50—SAT, No Writing \$64.50—SAT, plus Writing \$26.00—Subject tests
How to register (at least five weeks prior to test date)	<a href="http://www.actstudent.org">www.actstudent.org</a>	www.collegeboard.org

**\*During the 2018-2019 school year, the ACT with Essay will be administrated to the AFSA High School junior class at an off-site location during the school day on October 2nd. ACT School District Testing is offering a lower price than what students would normally have to pay if they were taking the ACT on one of the national test dates. Students are welcome to register for the ACT by turning in their payment of \$58.00 either through PaySchool or by turning in a check payable to AFSA High School to the main office. Fee waivers are available to students who qualify.**

### **Additional Information**

- Preparation materials for both tests are available in Ms. Loquasto’s office.
- Registration fee waivers are available for eligible students.
- Both tests can be taken multiple times—post-secondary schools look at a student’s best score
- Both tests allow students to request and receive information from colleges
- Both tests meet the NCAA’s requirement as an admission test if taken on a national test date.