ACT® | 2026-2027 TEST DATES

Play to your strengths • Take the ACT

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	LATE DEADLINE	PHOTO UPLOAD & STANDBY DEADLINE	INITIAL SCORE RELEASE
SEP 19, 2026	AUG 14	SEP 1	SEP 14	OCT 6
OCT 17, 2026	SEP 11	SEP 29	OCT 12	OCT 27
DEC 12, 2026	NOV 6	NOV 29	DEC 7	DEC 22
FEB 27, 2027	JAN 22	FEB 9	FEB 22	MAR 16
APR 10, 2027	MAR 5	MAR 23	APR 5	APR 20
JUN 12, 2027	MAY 7	MAY 25	JUN 7	JUN 23
JUL 10, 2027 *	JUN 4	JUN 22	JUL 5	JUL 20

* **July testing will be available for learners in New York starting in 2027!** Available Test Centers will continue to be added to registration as they become available through Spring 2027

Register Now

OUR SCHOOL CODE:

01

BOOST YOUR SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Even at test-optional schools, a strong ACT score may still be required — or simply give you an edge — when it comes to qualifying for merit-based scholarships.

02

BUILT ON WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED.

Designed to reflect what you're learning in school with curriculum-aligned questions so you can show what you know from your classes.

03

YOUR TEST, YOUR WAY

Paper or digital. Science and writing optional. Take the sections that play to your strengths.

04

PREDICTABLE FROM START TO FINISH.

A clear, straightforward exam designed to be consistent. No mid test difficulty shifts, no adaptive surprises.

05

BUILT TO BE IMPROVED ON.

See every answer with My Answer Key. Superscore your way up. Practice with free, official materials.

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MORE THAN A TEST SCORE

Through MyACT, you can complete an interest inventory, explore majors and schools that match your goals, and access free practice tests. Your profile is built to help you map out your next move after high school.

FEE WAIVERS ARE AVAILABLE

Eligible students can take the ACT for free — up to two national test dates — and also receive unlimited score reports, free access to The Official ACT Self-Paced Course Powered by Kaplan, and ACT My Answer Key on qualifying test dates. Ask your school counselor whether you qualify.

GET CONNECTED WITH COLLEGES

When you register, opt in to ACT Recruit Me to get discovered by colleges looking for students like you. You can also unlock scholarship and financial aid opportunities tailored to your profile. Visit **act.org/recruitme** to learn more.

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