

The ACT

The ACT organization offers the ACT and the Practice ACT (PACT - formerly ACT Plan). Register at www.act.org.

Test	What Grade is the Test Taken?	Composite Score Range
PACT	10	Not yet released
ACT	11 and/or 12	1 to 36

The ACT

The ACT tests in 4 subject areas, plus an optional writing test.

- English: Grammar and word usage
- Mathematics: Arithmetic, Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, Trigonometry
- Reading Comprehension: Reading comprehension in multiple subject areas
- Science: Understanding scientific information in a variety of methods (text, charts, etc.)
- Writing (Optional)- Some colleges do not require this 30 minute timed essay

The ACT takes approximately 3 hours and 30 minutes to complete. If you take the ACT more than once, you may select which scores to send to colleges.

The PACT

The PACT is currently being developed and will be offered for the first time in Fall 2014.

The SAT

The College Board offers the SAT, SAT Subject Tests, and the Practice SAT (PSAT). Register at www.collegeboard.org.

Test	What Grade is the Test Taken?	Composite Score Range per Section
PSAT	11	20 to 80
SAT Reasoning	11 and/or 12	200 to 800
SAT Subject Tests	11 and/or 12	200 to 800

The SAT

The SAT tests the skills you are learning in school: reading, writing and math.

- Critical reading: Reading in multiple subjects; includes reading passages and sentence completions
- Mathematics: Arithmetic operations, Algebra, Geometry, and Algebra 2
- Writing: Includes a timed essay and a multiple-choice section on identifying errors and improving grammar and usage (some colleges do not use this score)

The SAT takes approximately 4 hours to complete. If you take the SAT more than once, some colleges will accept your top score from one sitting; while others will SuperScore, meaning add together your top scores from each section across multiple sittings.

The PSAT

The PSAT tests you in Reading, Mathematics, and Writing. The Writing section does not include an essay. Juniors who score in the top 0.5% statewide are invited to participate in the National Merit Scholarship Competition.