

SAT & ACT 2017-18

SENIORS

- Take the ACT in **September** and/or **October** of your Senior Year.
- Take the SAT in **October** and/or **November** of your Senior Year.

NOTE: SOME Colleges accept **DECEMBER** test scores, but not all. Check with the colleges you are interested.

JUNIORS

- Take the PSAT on October 11, 2017. The PSAT will be sold in September. Check **Synergy** for Info.
- We recommend you take an initial SAT and ACT in the spring of your junior year.

SAT		ACT	
Register Online: sat.org/register		Register Online: actstudent.org	
Test Date	Registration DEADLINE* @ 8:59pm	Test Date	Registration DEADLINE* @ 8:59pm
August 26, 2017	July 28, 2017		
October 7	September 8	September 9, 2017	August 4, 2017
November 4	(LATE reg. deadline October 25)	October 28	(LATE reg. deadline Oct. 6)
December 2	November 2		
		December 9	November 3
March 10, 2018	February 9, 2018	February 10, 2018	January 12, 20178
		April 14	March 9
May 5	April 6		
June 2	May 3	June 9	May 4
		July 14	June 15
* late registration may be available		* late registration may be available	

WHY take the ACT ?

- COLLEGES ACCEPT **BOTH** SAT & ACT SCORES.
- Colleges use the student's highest scores, from EITHER exam.
- You will not know which exam you score higher on unless you take both!

The Writing Section is **OPTIONAL** **But You Should Take It!**

- We encourage you to take the Writing Section to help keep your college options open.
- UC's and many private colleges **REQUIRE** Writing Scores.
- CSU's do not use Writing scores.
- Private colleges are a mix. Some use writing/essay score, others do not.

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IMPORTANT → Read “Sending Your Test Scores” BEFORE REGISTERING

Sending SAT Scores to Colleges

The cost of the SAT includes sending 4 score reports to colleges, **ONLY** if score recipients are selected during registration, or no later than 9 days after taking the test.

- SAT score reports sent 10 or more days after taking the exam cost \$12.00 each.
- Students using an SAT Fee Waiver may send up to an additional 4 score reports at anytime.
- **California State University (CSU’s)** – send your SAT scores to the Cal State Apply Code #3594 on item 11 (where they ask for college codes) and all CSUs will have access to your scores
- **University of California (UC’s)** – send scores to one UC, your scores will be shared with all UC’s.

Sending ACT Scores to Colleges:

The cost of the ACT includes sending 4 score reports, **ONLY** if score recipients are selected during registration.

- ACT score reports sent after taking the exam cost \$12.00 per test date, per score report.
- Students using an ACT Fee Waiver do NOT receive any additional free score reports.
- **California State University (CSU’s)** – ACT does not use the Cal State Apply Code #3594. Send your ACT scores to one CSU, and your scores will be shared with all CSU campuses you apply to.
- **University of California (UC’s)** – send scores to one UC, your scores will be shared with all UC’s.

What about SAT Subject Tests?

- CSU’s do not consider subject test scores.
- UC’s no longer require subject tests, however, they may be considered as “value added” for the applicant. Some UC’s recommend specific tests for specific majors. **Check the UC Website for current information.**
- Private schools vary in regard to subject texts.

Fee Waivers

See Mrs. Warren in the Career Center for a fee waiver application.

PREPARING for the SAT and ACT

1. **FREE** test preparation is available on both the SAT and ACT Websites. (They also sell materials and services.)
2. College Board (SAT) has partnered with Khan Academy. You can access Khan Academy SAT prep through the College Board website.
3. Kaplan Test Prep offers COHS students **FREE** online test practice at <https://www.kaptest.com/college-prep/kas>
 - Kaplan also offers comprehensive SAT & ACT Prep Classes.
For dates and cost information, contact Katherine Plommer at katherine.plommer@kaplan.com
 - **DISCOUNT:** COHS students qualify for a \$250 discount on classes. Use code: SCHOOL250
4. **Multiple FREE** online SAT & ACT practice exams are available at www.march2success.org This website is hosted by the US Army, but **NO** recruiting is done from it. (A “test” account was created for an 18 year old male senior and NO contact was received from the Army. The **ONLY** email received was for account verification.)

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