



Testing Information

College entrance exams play a role in the whole college entrance experience. There are two major college entrance exams: the SAT and the ACT. Both are accepted at almost all colleges, however, the ACT is the most common test taken in the Midwest.

Other post secondary preparation exams such as the ACT WorkKeys, PSAT, PreACT, SAT, and ASVAB are options for many students. Details about each are provided below along with helpful links and resources.

For more information on these exams and others given at OHS, click on the links below.

WorkKeys: Juniors are given the opportunity to take the WorkKeys at school, for free in October. ACT WorkKeys is an assessment that tests students' job skills in applied reading, writing, mathematics and Essential Skills. Scores are based on job profiles that help employers select, hire, train, develop and retain a high-performance workforce.

[Understanding Your Scores](#)
[WorkKeys Badges](#)

PSAT- In October, juniors and sophomores have the opportunity to sign up and take the PSAT - the Preliminary SAT. This test not only serves as a practice test for the SAT, but it is also used as the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. There is a small fee to take this test, and it is given at AHS during National Testing Day.

[College Board PSAT Practice](#)
[PSAT Test Taking Tips and Advice](#)

PreAct: Freshman take the Pre-ACT during the school day, free of charge October 20th
○ during the 26-27 school year.

PreACT provides students with a structured testing environment similar to what they will experience when taking the ACT, ACT test-quality questions, and predictive scores on the familiar 1–36 scale. This helps students get comfortable with the test and understand how they're doing in core subjects. It also helps parents and educators identify areas where additional support might be necessary.

[PreACT At a Glance](#)

ACT- It is generally recommended that students BEGIN taking the ACT in the first semester of their junior year. Students wishing to take college classes while in high school will need qualifying test scores and may need to take the ACT earlier. The ACT has four parts: Reading Comprehension, Math, English and Science.

26-27 NATIONAL ACT Test Dates:

Registration and ACT Test Dates & Deadlines

Test date	Registration deadline	Late registration deadline	Standby Deadline
September 19	August 14	Sept. 1	Sept.14
October 17	Sept. 11	Sept. 29	October 12
December 12	November 6	November 29	December 7
February 27	January 22	February 9	February 22
April 10	March 5	March 23	April 5
June 12	May 7	May 26	June 7
July 10	June 4	June 22	July 5

In addition to these opportunities, The ACT will be given to all OHS Juniors/Seniors who would like to take it for free in the last week of October 27 2026. OHS juniors are automatically signed for a second test February 24, 2027 up unless they opt out of taking the test. These test dates take place during the school day.

- ACT Student Website: www.actstudent.org
- [Comparing the ACT & SAT](#)

ACT test prep information and resource sites

[Test Guide for ACT](#)

[PowerScore: Understanding the ACT](#)

[Test Prep info from ACT.org](#)

[Learning Express Library](#)

[March 2 Success](#)

[Princeton Review](#)Top pick

[Kaplan](#) Best self-paced course

[ACT](#) Most affordable

[Testive](#) Best free trial

[Magoosh](#) Best product offerings

[Higher scores test prep](#) Best instructors

[Prep Expert](#)-Best online course

[PrepScholar](#)-Best for students with learning disabilities

[ClearPath Advantage](#)

SAT- The SAT is also a standardized college admissions test that is widely accepted. The SAT has two parts (math and language arts), with 800 big, the highest score for each part. OHS is not a location students can test for the SAT, but there are a few locations nearby that do hold it.

[SAT STUDENT WEBSITE](#)

SAT test prep sites

[Upcoming SAT Test Dates & Deadlines](#)

[Khan Academy SAT Practice](#)

[College Board SAT Practice](#)

[5 Study Tips to Master the SAT or ACT](#)

[Test Prep Review](#)

[March 2 Success](#)

[SAT Vocabulary Word List – the 100 most important words you must know](#)

ASVAB- The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is a multiple choice test, administered by the United States Military Entrance Processing Command, used to determine qualification for enlistment in the United States Armed Forces. This test is used to help students in looking at various careers and their aptitude for those careers.

Key points about the ASVAB

- There is no cost!
- Participation does not commit you to the military in any way.
- The ASVAB CEP helps you understand your unique skills and interests, identify potentially satisfying careers, and discover all the different ways to get to your dream job.
- The ASVAB CEP is a great opportunity for those who are not sure about what they want to do after they finish high school.

More information about the ASVAB can be [found here](#).