

# **ACT Test** - Registration

Cost: \$68 (estimate) / Registration is the responsibility of the family
ACT offers paper or digital testing
2025-2026 ACT Test Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Deadline
September 6, 2025	August 1	August 19
October 18, 2025	September 12	September 30
December 13, 2025	November 7	November 24
February 14, 2026	January 7	January 21
April 11. 2025**	March 6	March 24
June 13, 2026***	May 8	May 27
July 11, 2026	June 5	June 24

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> STA is a national test site on this date, paper option only.

All above dates are the NEW Enhanced ACT with optional Science section.

# **SAT Test** - Registration

Cost: \$68 (estimate) / Registration is the responsibility of the family All SAT testing is digital, test centers may be limited.

# **2025-2026 SAT Test Dates**

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Deadline
August 23, 2025	August 8	August 12
September 13, 2025	August 29	September 2
October 4, 2025	September 19	September 23
November 8, 2025	October 24	October 28
December 6, 2025	November 21	November 25
March 14, 2026	February 27	March 3

May 2, 2026	April 17	April 21
June 6, 2026	May 22	May 26

#### **SAT vs ACT**

Not sure what exam to take? Review your practice tests from sophomore year and practice ACT from junior year. ACT & SAT conversion - <a href="here">here</a>.

The ACT has gone through significant changes to the format of its test in April 2025 for the digital version and in September 2025 for the paper version. The test is shorter, math will go from 5 to 4 answer choices, and the science section will be optional. At this time, we advise all students to take the science section, as many colleges have not yet posted their requirements.

### **ACCOMMODATIONS & REGISTRATION**

Contact Mrs. Gajewski. Documentation must be submitted to ACT and SAT (College Board) for review and decision.

#### WHEN SHOULD I BEGIN TAKING THE ACT/SAT?

We recommend beginning in the winter of the junior year after practice tests at STA. You want as much classroom preparation as possible. This also allows time for retesting. Do NOT wait until the fall of senior year to begin testing!

## **HOW MANY TIMES SHOULD I TAKE THE TEST?**

It depends on the student, the majority of students take the ACT 2 to 4 times.

#### WHAT IF I'M NOT HAPPY WITH MY SCORES?

Many colleges do not emphasize tests in their review process. For a list of test-optional or test-free schools check out <a href="www.fairtest.org">www.fairtest.org</a>. Note that some schools may prefer tests for specific majors or scholarships. Policies vary by institution and may change each year, refer to the institution's website.

#### SENDING SCORES TO COLLEGES

We suggest NOT sending scores to colleges as a junior.

#### REQUESTING SCORE REPORTS TO COLLEGES

Many colleges and universities allow students to self-report their scores on their applications; however, some institutions require official scores to be sent by ACT &/or College Board (SAT). To send ACT scores directly to institutions, click <a href="here">here</a>. There is a charge per date and report. Allow 2-3 weeks. Request SAT scores <a href="here">here</a>.

<u>Test scores are NOT included on the STA transcript!</u>