

I'D LIKE TO GET A 4-YEAR DEGREE AND I HAVE MY HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Many colleges require that students submit test results as part of the admission application process.

Both the ACT and the SAT are nationally administered standardized tests that help colleges evaluate candidates. All schools accept either test interchangeably. As you begin to think about college and creating the best application package possible, your admissions plan should begin with the question, "Which test should I take?"



ACT Assessment Test (ACT)

The ACT Assessment test is an admissions requirement at some colleges. The instrument consists of a battery of four academic tests that measure academic development in English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science Reasoning. The Assessment provides scores on the four tests, a composite score, and seven sub scores which provide more detailed information concerning an individual's academic development.

Reimbursement and Eligibility

The ACT exam is funded when taken at a DANTES Test Site. Visit your military education center for scheduling information or contact DANTES at exams@navy.mil to locate a DANTES Test Site near you. **DANTES does not fund or reimburse ACTs taken at National Test Centers.**

The optional ACT Plus Writing Test is not funded by DANTES or available at DANTES Test Sites. It is offered at National Test Centers on all test dates and at International Test Centers in September, October, December, April and June.

Stateside civilians may not take the ACT at DANTES Test Sites (includes Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico). **There are no exceptions to this policy.**

Overseas "logistically supported" civilians cannot routinely take the ACT at DANTES Test Sites. They must register for and test at an established ACT International Test Center, some of which are at Department of Defense Dependent Schools (DODDS).

Registration

Registration Options:

- If you plan to **test at a national or international test center**, sign up online by creating

or logging in to your ACT Web account

- If you are **requesting extended time or other accommodations** for the first time, sign up online by creating or logging in to your ACT Web account or register by mail in addition to completing the application request and submitting required documentation.
- If you **missed the late registration deadline**, you can request standby testing online.
- If you are homebound or confined, **cannot find a test center within 75 miles of your home** (U.S. and Canada) or in your country (other locations), or you need a Sabbath/Sunday test center and one is not established within 75 miles of your home (or in your country if outside the U.S. or Canada), on all test dates, check the requirements for Arranged Testing

You need to register by mail only if you are younger than 13 or cannot pay by credit card.

Retest Policies

Service members seeking an authorized retest, or unfunded (self-pay) retest must wait at least 60 complete days from the last ACT administration at a DANTES Test Site. Retesting within less than 60 complete days will result in an invalid score.

Authorization for a funded retest is not based on the score of a previously funded ACT (or SAT). Funded retests are only authorized when a “current” ACT score is required by a Service or education regulation which varies with individual programs. For example:

Officer Ascension Program: *STA-21, MECP and AECP define a “current” score as not older than 3 years. Members with a funded ACT score less than 3 years old are not eligible for a funded retest or funded SAT administration.*

Scoring and Reporting:

Score reports are issued approximately 2-4 weeks after receipt of the answer folders at ACT. ACT does not offer expedited scoring. Student reports are mailed to the address entered at the time of testing. Students may also view their scores online by establishing a free ACT web account at the ACT website. Visit the DANTES website for additional score receipt and reporting information.