

COLLEGE RELATED ASSESSMENTS

Most colleges require some form of assessment to determine your readiness for college level work. Generally the SAT is what is required. Make sure that you check with the colleges that you are interested in to see what they require of you.

ACT-American College Testing Assessment

- Usually taken in the spring of junior year and again in the fall of senior year.
- Multiple-choice test in English, Reading Science and Mathematics with an optional writing section.
- Scored on a scale of 1 (low) to 36 (high)

PSAT/NMSQT-Preliminary SAT I /National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

- Taken in October of the sophomore or junior year. (only junior scores are used to qualify for the National Merit Scholarship).
- Taken as a practice to prepare for the SAT
- Scored on a scale of 20 (low)-80 (high) for critical reading, math problem-solving, and writing.
- www.collegeboard.com for more information.

SAT Reasoning Test-

- Usually taken in the spring of the junior year and again in the fall of senior year.
- Scored on the basis of 200 (low) to 800 (high) for each section: critical reading, mathematics, and writing.
- Register in guidance office or see your guidance counselor.

SAT subject tests-www.collegeboard.com

- Designed to test the level of knowledge of a student in a particular academic area.
- Scores may be used as placement in freshmen courses.
- Registration similar to SAT I

AP Advanced Placement Tests.

- Required of all students that take an AP course.
- Used to earn an AP Studies diploma or advanced standing in college
- Administered in May
- Registration through school
- Scored on a scale of 1 (low) to 5 (high)
- Minimum acceptable scores established by colleges

TOEFL-Test of English as a Foreign Language

- www.toefl.org
- An internet based test designed for students whom English is not their first language and whose scores on the SAT reading section would be affected by the language difference.

- Minimum acceptable scores established by individual colleges
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