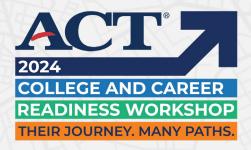


Agenda

- Understanding Readiness
- Monitoring Student Growth
- Improving Curriculum
- Applying Best Practices for Preparation
- Planning for the Future
- Building Essential Skills



A Welcome From Our CEO





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UNDERSTANDING READINESS

Guide students' pathway to college and career success



Our Mission

Helping People Achieve Education and Workplace Success





Trusted Points of Reference





ACT National Curriculum Survey®

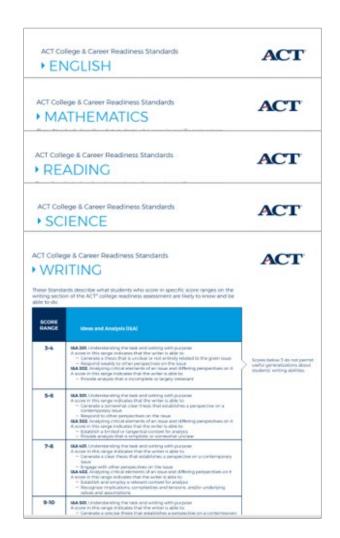
- Is conducted every 3-5 years by ACT.
- Includes sample survey of nearly 10,000 educators and industry leaders.
- Shows skills and knowledge taught at each grade level.
- Collects data about what entering college students should know and be able to do to be ready for college-level coursework.
- Incorporates consultation with content area experts.

Area	Number of Respondents
Early elementary school	1,214
Upper elementary school	1,213
Middle school	1,623
High school	1,619
K-12 administrators	405
College instructors	2,883
Workforce supervisors	405
Workforce employees	406
TOTAL	9,768



ACT College and Career Readiness Standards

- Communicate learning goals and expectations.
- Relate test scores to skills needed in high school and beyond.
- Understand the increasing complexity of skills needed across score ranges in English, mathematics, reading, science, and writing. ACT college and Career Readiness Standards





ACT College and Career Readiness Benchmarks

Subject	Scores*	First-Year College Course
English	18	English Composition
Math	22	College Algebra
Reading	22	Social Sciences
Science	23	Biology
ELA	20	English Composition and Social Sciences
STEM	26	Calculus, Chemistry, Biology, Physics, and Engineering

^{*}The ACT College Readiness Benchmarks are the ACT scores that represent the level of achievement required for students to have a 50% chance of obtaining a B or higher or about a 75-80% chance of obtaining a C or higher in corresponding credit-bearing courses.

Source: ACT College Readiness Benchmarks



Understanding Standards and Benchmark Readiness

College readiness means meeting benchmarks.

- Success in credit-bearing, first-year courses.
- Two- or four-year college, trade school, technical school, or military.
- Without needing to take remedial courses.

- Career readiness requires knowledge and skills comparable to those expected of a first-year college student.
- Our goal is to prepare and educate all students according to a common academic expectation that prepares them for postsecondary education and the workforce.

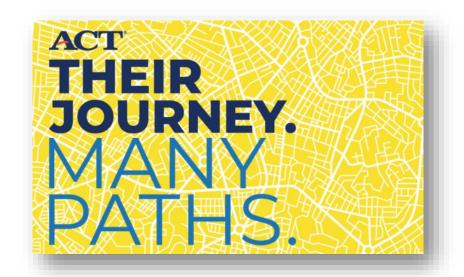


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The FOCUSED FORWARD

ACT is committed to a future where **20.2 million** more learners are ready for postsecondary and work opportunities by **2032**.

We are focused forward in 2024-26 on delivering on this vision through ACT enhancements that improve the testing experience for students and educators.





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As ACT releases enhancements, our goal has been to preserve the validity, reliability and predictive ability of the ACT test that stakeholders have depended on for 65 years.

Why are we changing?

- To enhance the testing experience for students and educators.
- To adapt to the evolving needs of our stakeholders.
- To offer learners, schools and districts greater choice and flexibility.

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What We've Heard From Students

How We're Improving

What Does This Mean for the National (Saturday) Testing Experience?

"I can't finish. I need more time!"

We're glad you asked:

We've reduced the number of questions overall (44 fewer questions to be exact).

We've reduced the test length from 195 minutes to 125 minutes.

You get more time per question.

We've reduced the number of math question answer choices from 5 to 4.

We're providing a test that's more manageable so students can shine, while also maintaining the validity and reliability, as well as predictiveness for first-year success at an institution of higher education, of the ACT.

"Science scares me."

Students can now choose to take the ACT with or without science.

Students get more choice and more flexibility, allowing them to tailor their experience to fit their needs. This gives them more control over their testing experience.

"I want to show off my science and math skills for my major."

The score report will include a science score and a STEM score if students choose to take the science section.

For students who want to pursue a STEM career, the science section is still there to showcase their skills. This change is all about offering students more control and making the test experience better suited to future goals.

"I don't want to test on a computer. I still want paper!"

We never took away the choice! The ACT is available via paper/pencil or online.

Students can test the way they feel most comfortable and be given the chance to show off their best performance.

Note: If students choose to take the National test online, these enhancements will be made available beginning with the April 2025 ACT test. These enhancements to the National test will take effect, regardless of testing mode, beginning with the September 2025 ACT test.

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ACT National Test benefits: Starting with April 2025 online test:

- Fewer items and shorter passages provide more time for students to answer questions.
- Testing time is shorter, about two hours.
- Students can choose to take the science section for additional flexibility.
- The Composite score using the new English, math, and reading calculation
 will provide the same validity, reliability, and predictably that students and
 educators have depended on for 65 years.
- Starting in September 2025, the **enhancements will be available for the**National paper and international tests.



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Benefits to State & District Testing:

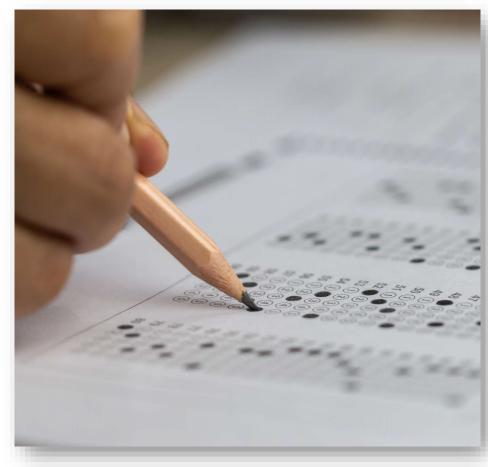
- Composite score using the new English, math, and reading calculation starts September 2025.
- Enhancements including the **science choice** start with Spring 2026 testing windows.
- Flexibility to give subject tests on different days also begins Spring 2026.



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What is <u>not</u> changing?

- The ACT scale will remain 1-36 as it has been for 35 years.
- Scores from tests taken prior to the rollout of the new Composite score will not change.
- Ability to predict success in first year college credit-bearing courses will not change.
- Both paper/pencil and online test options will continue to be available.





Enhancements to the ACT Test: Timeline

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April 2025

ACT National Online Only

(Science choice begins)



Sept 2025

ACT National Paper & International

Updated Composite Score for All ACT Tests



Spring 2026

State & District Spring 2026 Testing

For complete details, visit <u>act.org/actenhancements</u>



Enhancements to the ACT Test: Superscores

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What is an ACT Superscore?

- A Superscore is the average of your student's best scores from each subject from multiple test attempts.
- A Superscore is never lower than a single composite score.

TEST DATE	ENGLISH SCORE	MATH SCORE	READING SCORE	SCIENCE SCORE	COMPOSITE SCORE
APRIL	19	20	23	21	21
JUNE	22	22	20	22	22
SEPTEMBER	20	23	21	21	21



Enhancements to the ACT Test: Superscores

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How will ACT Superscores Work?

- Starting in April 2025, students choosing to take the National online test will have their ACT Superscores calculated using the new English, math, reading method.
- For all other students, this transition to the English, math, reading calculation will occur in September 2025.
- We will continue to report the highest score for each subject along with the date the test was taken, but the composite score will now be based on the new simplified English, math, reading calculation.





Connected Assessments and Tools





ACT® WorkKeys® Skill Reports

Summary Score Report

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Skill Report

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NCRC 2.0 E2E Test Realm

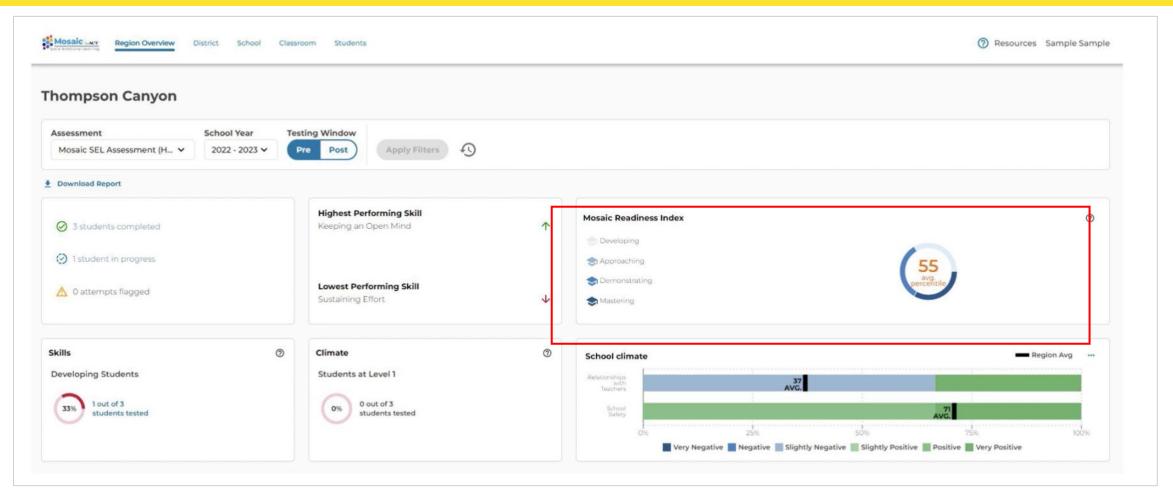
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Report Date: Sep 1, 2017

Manifest Name	Test Date	Level Score	Possible Range	Scale Score	Possible Range
WorkKeys Applied Math	7/13/2017	6	<3 - 7	90	65 - 90
WorkKeys Graphic Literacy	7/13/2017	7	<3 - 7	90	65 - 90
WorkKeys Workplace Documents	7/13/2017	7	<3 - 7	90	65 - 90

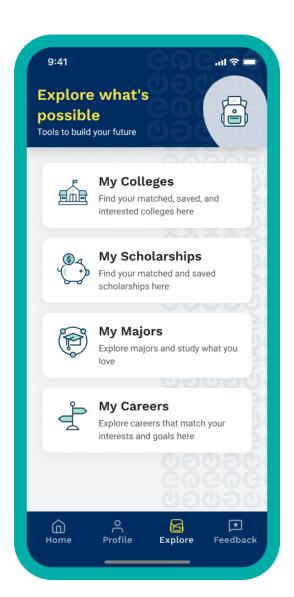


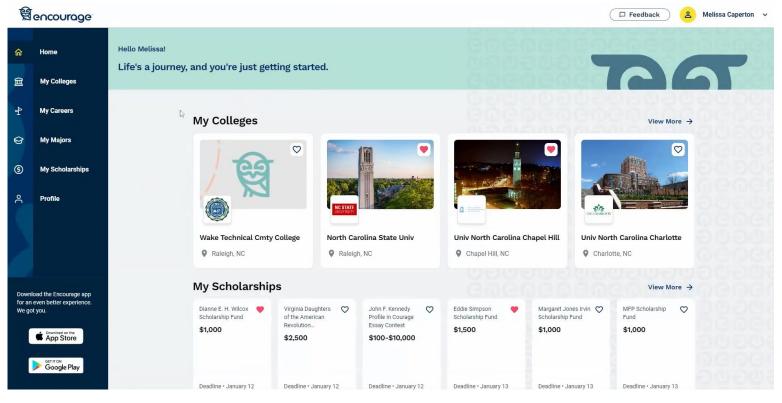
Social and Emotional Skills Predict Readiness





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A Holistic Approach to Education Improves Outcomes





MONITORING STUDENT GROWTH

Create a comprehensive assessment system



Why Is It Important?

Monitoring student growth:

- Helps create a comprehensive assessment system.
- Validates research on college readiness standards, benchmarks, and assessments.
- Provides a view of student progress over time.
- Supports educators in finding and using assessment insights.



Research-validated Insights

Predicting future success

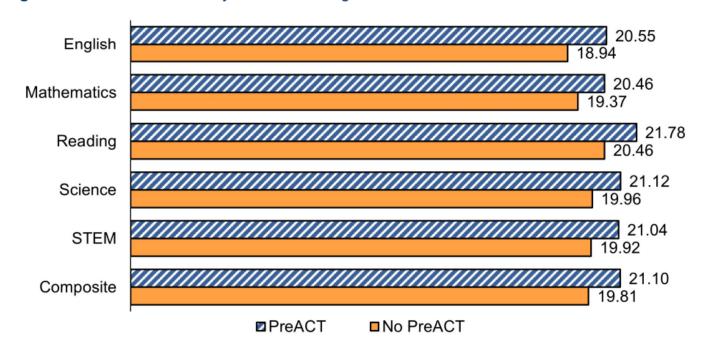




Taking PreACT Leads to Success on the ACT

Students Who Take PreACT® Have Higher Average ACT Scores

Figure 2. Mean ACT Scores by PreACT Testing Status





Source: PreACT®-Tested Students in the 2023 ACT®- Tested Graduating Class: A Summary of Performance and Growth

PreACT® & ACT® Predict AP Exam Success

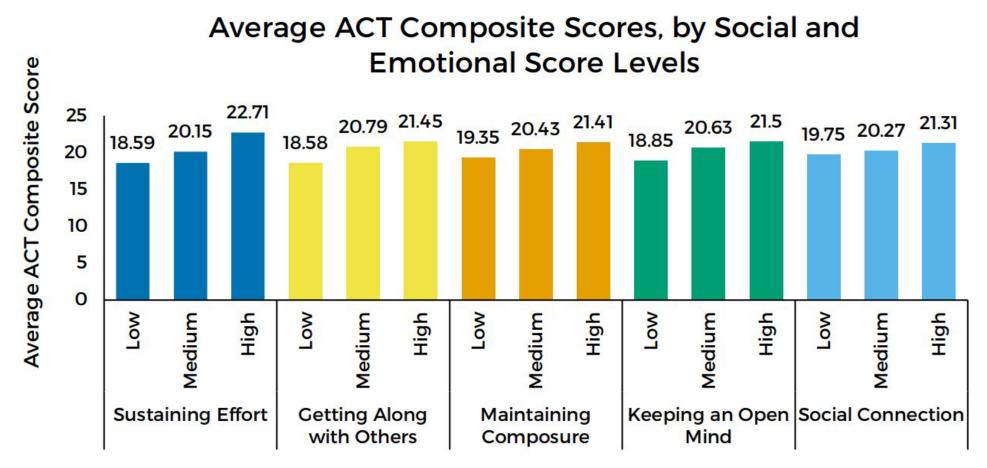
PreACT 8/9, PreACT, and the ACT can be used to identify students who are academically prepared for AP courses in high school.

	PreACT/ _	3 or	higher	4 or higher	
AP course	ACT score	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
ELA-related					
English Language and Composition	E+R	42	45	54	56
	ELA	20	21	25	26
English Literature and	E+R	49	51	61	62
Composition	ELA	23	24	28	28
European History	E+R	45	49	57	60
	ELA	21	23	26	28
Human Casamanhu	E+R	41	41	52	52
Human Geography	ELA	19	19	24	24
Develople	E+R	39	42	46	49
Psychology	ELA	19	20	22	23
US Govt and Politics	E+R	47	50	59	61
US GOVE and Politics	ELA	22	23	27	28
US History	E+R	44	47	55	57
	ELA	21	22	25	26
World History	E+R	39	43	51	55
World History	ELA	19	20	24	25

AP course	PreACT/ _ ACT score	3 or higher		4 or higher	
		Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
STEM-related					
Biology	STEM	22	23	26	27
Calculus AB*	STEM	25	25	28	28
Chemistry	STEM	24	25	28	29
Computer Science A	STEM	24	24	28	28
Environmental Science	STEM	23	24	25	26
Macroeconomics	STEM	24	26	27	28
Microeconomics	STEM	23	25	25	28
Physics 1**	STEM	27	27	30	30
Physics C: E and M	STEM	26	28	28	30
Physics C: Mechanics	STEM	25	25	28	28
Statistics	STEM	23	24	27	28



High SEL Skills Correlate to Higher ACT Test Scores





Mosaic Readiness Index Levels Correlate to Success

HIGH SCHOOL GPA

ACT COMPOSITE SCORE

1ST YEAR COLLEGE PERFORMANCE

DEGREE COMPLETION





Research Shows Score Gains with Retesting

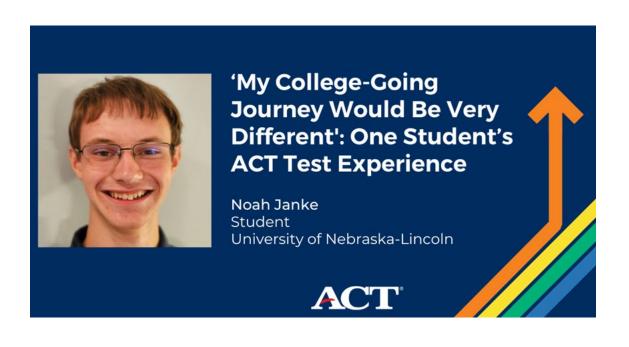
Key research findings:

- Average score gains were modest (about 1 score point).
- Score gains increase with more time between tests.
- Higher-achieving students tend to have larger score gains.
- Differences in score gains across demographic groups are small but consistent with longstanding achievement gaps.
- ACT scores tend to increase with additional retesting, but there are diminishing returns.
- ACT Superscore gains are substantially larger than ACT Composite score gains.





Practice Makes Perfect (Literally!)



Noah earned a 26 on the ACT in 7th grade, and two perfect scores of 36 in high school.

Watch the video interview.

"I got a 26 as a seventh grader and there was a lot of encouragement from my family [who] saw that that was a high score. They knew I could go further with more education, so that level of encouragement and benchmarking was really important."



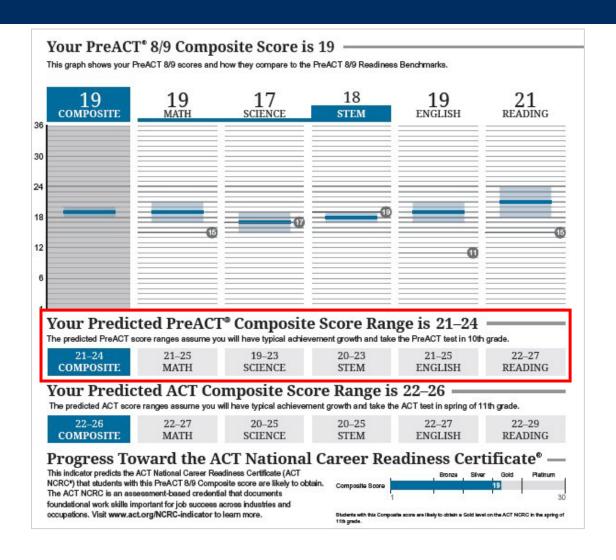
Monitoring Student Data Longitudinally

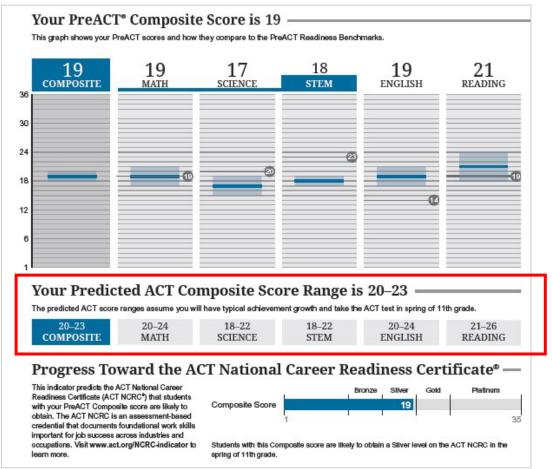
Identifying learning gaps and intervention needs before high school





Planning Early for Success – PreACT 8/9, PreACT







Predicted Scores and Progress Toward NCRC

Your Predicted PreACT® Composite Score Range is 21–24

The scores below predict your future performance ranges when taking the PreACT in 10th grade assuming typical achievement growth.

21–24 COMPOSITE 21–25 MATH 19–23 SCIENCE 20-23 STEM 21–25 ENGLISH 22–27 READING

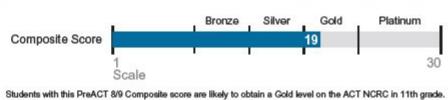
Your Predicted ACT Composite Score Range is 22–26

The scores below predict your future performance ranges when taking the full ACT in 11th grade assuming typical achievement growth.

22–26 COMPOSITE 22-27 MATH 20–25 SCIENCE 20-25 STEM 22–27 ENGLISH 22–29 READING

Progress Toward the ACT National Career Readiness Certificate®

This indicator predicts the ACT National Career Readiness Certificate (ACT NCRC*) that students with this PreACT 8/9 Composite score are likely to obtain. The ACT NCRC is an assessment-based credential that documents foundational work skills important for job success across industries and occupations. Visit www.act.org/NCRC-indicator to learn more.





Reporting Categories

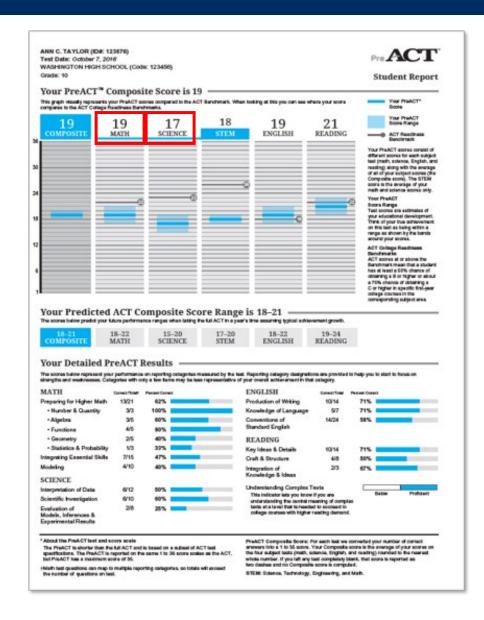
Your Detailed PreACT Results

The scores below represent your performance on reporting categories measured by the test. Reporting category designations are provided to help you to start to focus on strengths and weaknesses. Categories with only a few items may be less representative of your overall achievement in that category.

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MATH	Correct/Total†	Percent Correct	ENGLISH	Correct/Total	Percent Correct	
Preparing for Higher Math	13/21	62%	Production of Writing	10/14	71%	
 Number & Quantity 	3/3	100%	Knowledge of Language	5/7	71%	
 Algebra 	3/5	60%	Conventions of	14/24	58%	
 Functions 	4/5	80%	Standard English			
 Geometry 	2/5	40%	READING			
 Statistics & Probability 	1/3	33%	Key Ideas & Details	10/14	71%	
Integrating Essential Skills	7/15	47%	Craft & Structure	4/8	50%	
Modeling	4/10	40%	Integration of	2/3	67%	
SCIENCE			Knowledge & Ideas			
Interpretation of Data	6/12	50%	Understanding Complex	Texts		
Scientific Investigation	6/10	60%	This indicator lets you know understanding the central r		Below	Proficie
Evaluation of Models, Inferences & Experimental Results	2/8	25%	texts at a level that is need college courses with higher	ed to succeed in		



Scale Score Ranges for College Readiness Indicators

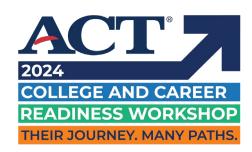


	ACT Benchmark	In Need Range	On Cusp Range	On Target Range
English	18	1-11	12-14	15-35
Math	22	1-16	17-18	19-35
Reading	22	1-16	17-19	20-35
Science	23	1-17	18-20	21-35
STEM	26	1-21	22-23	24-35



Support Student Growth

Using online reporting, reports, and data Insights





Online Reporting Portal



Resources

personalized data.

Forgot password?

Sign In

Password

Unsure where to begin? Start by exploring the **Knowledge Hub**, our one-stop resource area for all products and services offered by ACT. Simply select a product on the right or through the dropdown menu on the top (no login needed).

Test Accessibility and Accommodations: Test Accommodation Coordinators will use this system to

request student's accommodations or English Learner supports, receive decision notifications, and agree to test previously approved students through Special Testing. *Note- if you are new to Success

and have a previous TAA account, please use your TAA email when creating an account.

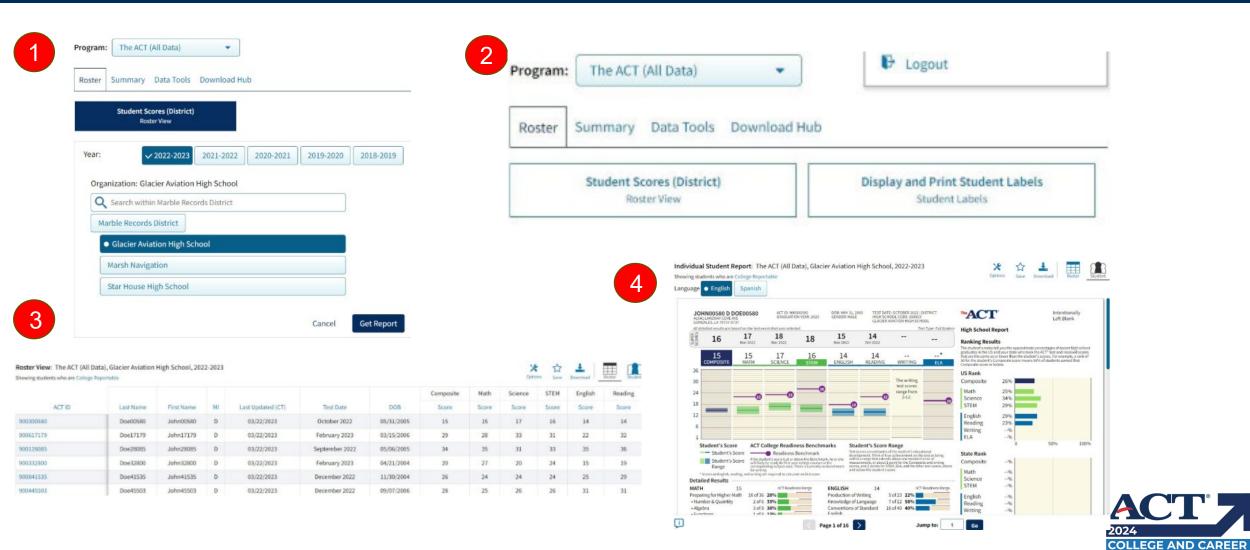
PearsonAccessnext: Sign in and access the administration system for the ACT.



Note: Request access to the data from your school's trusted agent.

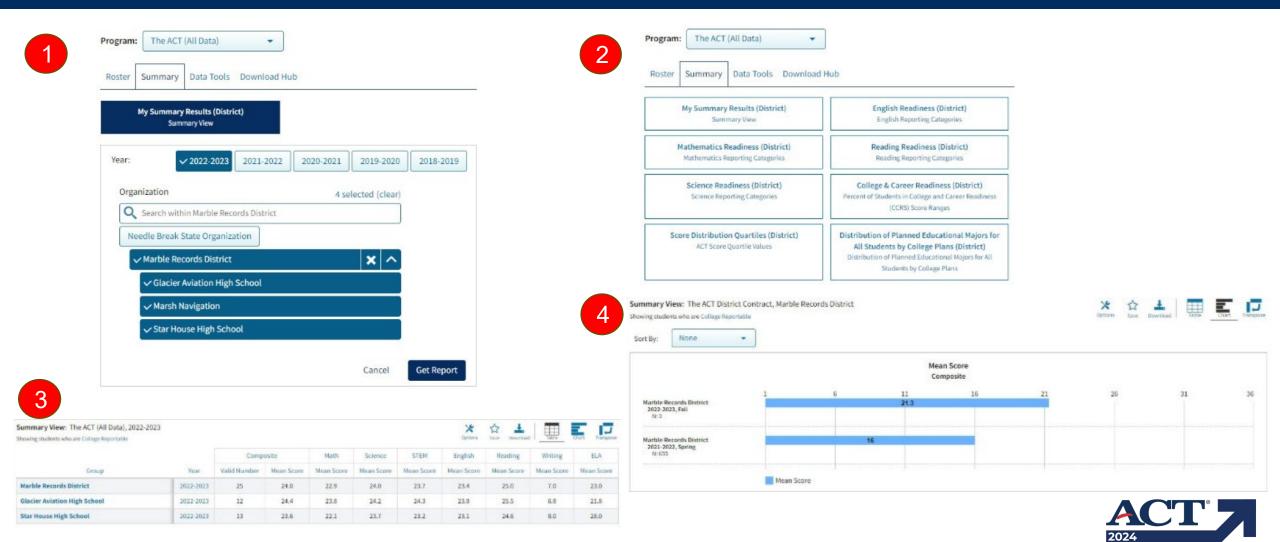
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COLLEGE AND CAREER
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Online Reporting Portal: Student Level Data



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Online Reporting Portal: School Level Data



COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS WORKSHOP THEIR JOURNEY. MANY PATHS.



New! Online Dashboard Coming January 2025

Overview:

The Insights Readiness Dashboard is an interactive reporting dashboard that provides district-level educators with a *comprehensive and analytic view* of student data to *determine success, interventions, and next steps*.

Users can access PreACT and ACT data in a single view and *produce rosters and reports* for student cohorts or customized groups.

Capabilities:

Data Visualization – Dynamic and customizable interface with filters and graphs.

Ease-of-Use - Searchable field to locate student records and quick access buttons to engage in Roster, Organizational and Student data.

School & District Performance – Longitudinal view of performance for all schools & districts in a state.

Comprehensive - Enables cross-product and longitudinal views and insights.

Time Management – Provide notifications when new scores are added.



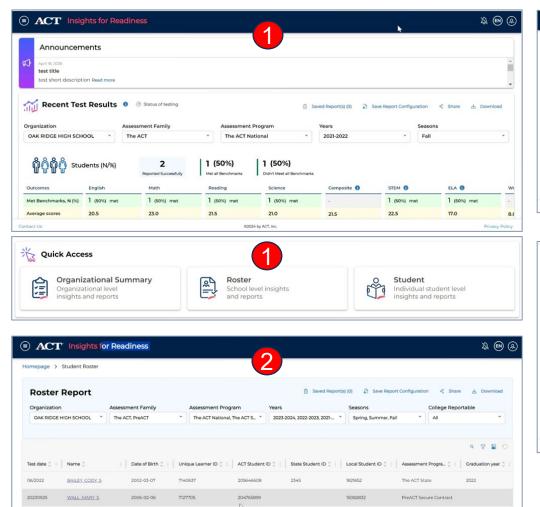


Additional Data Reporting for Better Insights

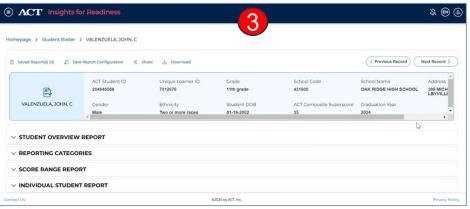
PreACT 8/9 Contract

- Homepage
- 2 Roster Report
- 3 Student Overview Reports

...and much more!



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ACT WorkKeys Online Reports Portal: Skill Reports

Individual Summary Score Report



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ACT WorkKeys

Skill Report

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 1724

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 Report Date:
 Sep 1, 2017

Manifest Name	Test Date	Level Score	Possible Range	Scale Score	Possible Range
WorkKeys Applied Math	7/13/2017	6	<3 - 7	90	65 - 90
WorkKeys Graphic Literacy	7/13/2017	7	<3 - 7	90	65 - 90
WorkKeys Workplace Documents	7/13/2017	7	<3 - 7	90	65 - 90

WHAT YOUR SCORES MEAN

WorkKeys Applied Math:

You scored at Level 6. People who score at Level 6 have demonstrated all of the Levels 3, 4, and 5 skills. They also have demonstrated the ability to:

- · Use fractions with unlike denominators and calculate reverse percentages.
- Convert units within or between systems of measurement (e.g., time, measurement, and quantity) where multiple-step conversions are required and the formulas are provided, such as converting from kilometers to meters to feet.
- · Identify why a mistake occurred in a solution.
- · Find the best deal from a group of solutions and then use the result for another calculation.
- Find the area of basic shapes when it may be necessary to rearrange a formula, convert units of measurement in the calculations, or use the result in further calculations.
- Calculate the volume of rectangular solids (e.g., cubes).
- Calculate rates, production rates, rate by time (such as, production rate is 59 cups produced per hour, how many will be produced in an 8-hour shift).
- · Identify the correct equation for solving a problem.

WorkKeys Graphic Literacy:

You scored at Level 7. People achieving this level can understand and interpret complex workplace graphics, such as very difficult charts and graphs, and detailed tables, forms, maps, and diagrams. They can apply information from these types of graphics and draw conclusions or make decisions about new situations based on information contained in the graphics.

Your skills in Locating Information using workplace graphics are at least as high as this test measures. Congratulations on your fine performance! We encourage you to use and expand upon your considerable skills in this area by seeking out and learning from graphics in a wide variety of formats.

WorkKeys Workplace Documents:

You scored at Level 7. People achieving this level can apply concepts from densely detailed passages, such as excerpts from complex regulatory and legal documents, to new situations. They can understand difficult concepts and complicated procedures containing jargon and technical terms whose definitions must be derived from context.

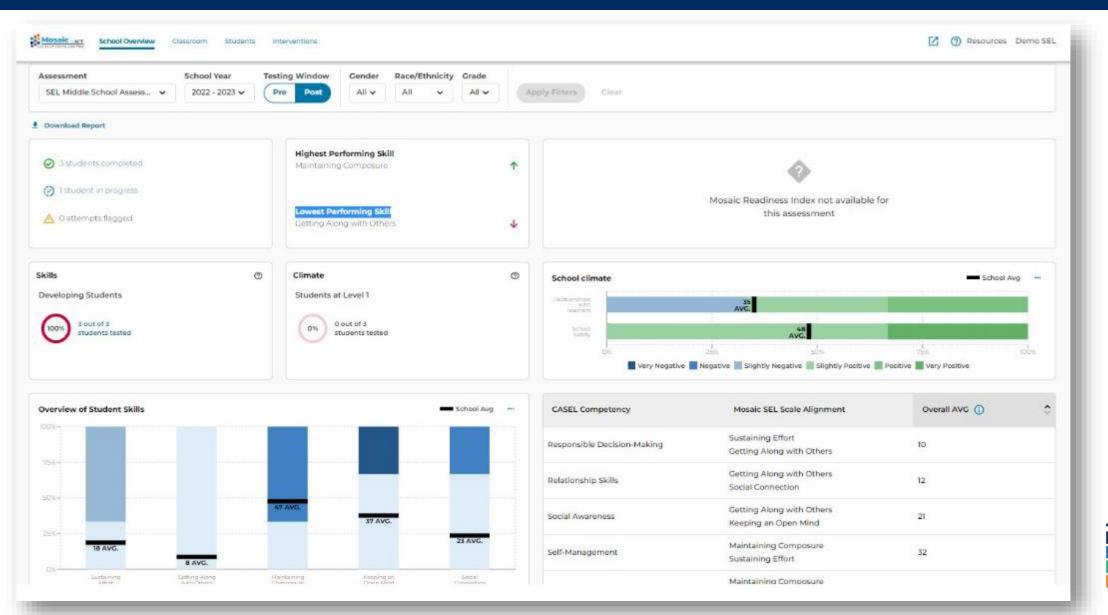
Your Reading for Information skills are at least as high as this test measures. Congratulations on your fine performance! We encourage you to use and expand upon your considerable skills in this area by continuing to read and learn from a wide variety of challenging reading materials.

WorkKeys IV Training Site Realm: SubRealm: Report Date: Jun 13, 2024 Group Name: <NONE> WorkKeys Roster Report Jan 6, 2024 - Jun 13, 2024 AM SAM AT SAT BW U SU OB RFI SRI W WO W-AM W-GL W-WD AM-ES GL-ES WD-ES T F Examinee 1/22/24 2/16/24 3/13/24 < 3 < 3 2/23/24 < 3 1/29/24 3/18/24 3/7/24 5/3/24 5/3/24 AM = Applied Mathematics AM-ES = Matemáticas Aplicadas - Applied Math SAM = Evaluación de Matemáticas Aplicadas SLI = Evaluación de Localización de Información WO = Workplace Observation GL-ES = Alfabetización Gráfica - Graphic Literacy LS = Level Score AT = Applied Technology W-AM = WorkKeys Applied Math WD-ES * Documentos de Trabaio - Workplace SAT = Evaluación de Tecnología Aplicada RFI = Reading for Information W-GL = WorkKeys Graphic Literacy SS = Scale Score BW - Business Writing SRI - Evaluación de Comprensión de Lectura W-WD = WorkKeys Workplace Documents T = Talent © 2024 by Impact Asset Corp. All rights reserved. ""ID field is abbreviated to last four digits

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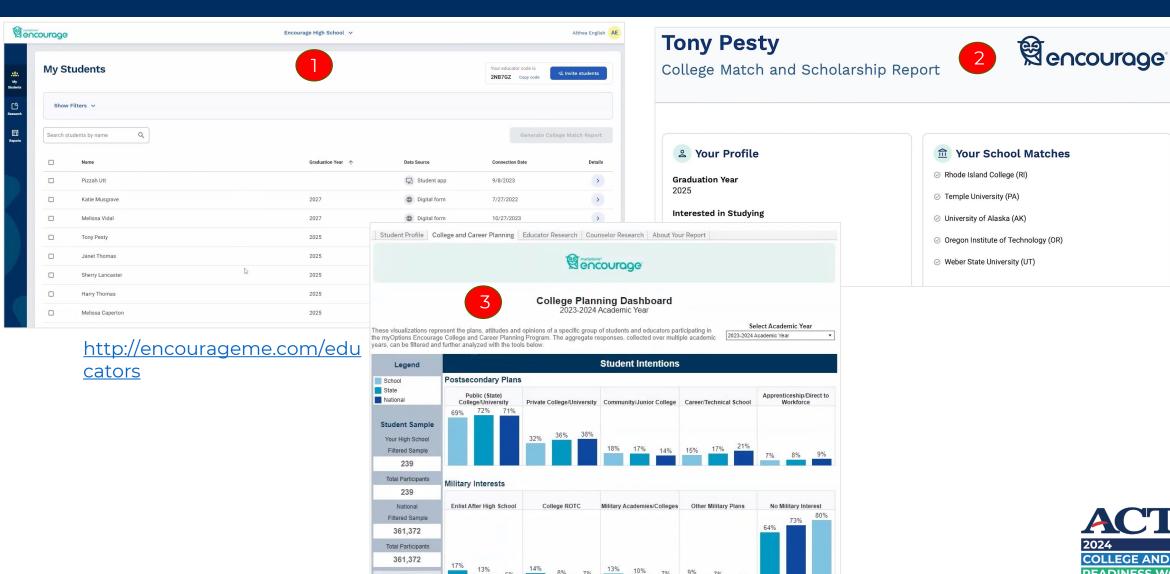
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Campus Size

Small (under 3,000

Medium (3,001 to Large (over 10,000

Social Behavior Rules

Minimal Social Rules | Moderate Social Rules | Conservative Social



Are You Maximizing Your Data?

Which group best describes your school or district?

"We're all in on data and insights! We've got this down!"



"We're not doing enough with our data to feel like it's working for us."



How are you using your data and insights?



IMPROVING CURRICULUM

Use aggregate and individual data for systemwide progress



Mapping ACT Standards Against District Curriculum: English

ACT College & Career Readiness Standards • ENGLISH



These Standards describe what students who score in specific score ranges on the English section of the ACT^o college readiness assessment are likely to know and be able to do.

SCORE RANGE	Production of Writing TOPIC DEVELOPMENT IN TERMS OF PURPOSE & FOCUS (TOD)	
13-15	TOD 201. Delete material because it is obviously irrelevant in terms of the topic of the essay	>
16-19	TOD 301 Delete material because it is obviously irrelevant in terms of the focus of the essay TOD 302. Identify the purpose of a word or phrase when the purpose is simple (e.g., identifying a person, defining a basic term, using common descriptive adjectives) TOD 303. Determine whether a simple essay has met a straightforward goal	8 TFFF VALUE OF THE PROPERTY O
20-23	TOD 401. Determine relevance of material in terms of the focus of the essay TOD 402. Identify the purpose of a word or phrase when the purpose is straightforward (e.g., describing a person, giving examples) TOD 403. Use a word, phrase, or sentence to accomplish a straightforward purpose (e.g., conveying a feeling or attitude)	-

Students who score in the 1-12 range are most likely beginning to develop the knowledge and skills assessed in the other ranges

THE ACT COLLEGE READINESS BENCHMARK FOR ENGLISH IS 18. Students

who achieve this score on the ACT English Test have a 50% likelihood of achieving a B or better in a first-year English Composition course at a typical college. The knowledge and skills highly likely to be demonstrated by students who meet the Benchmark are shaded.

Table 3. ACT	English Col	lege and Career	Readiness	Standards for	or Score Ran	ge 20-23
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			For each skill, knowledge, or process:				
Engl	ish Col	llege and Career Readiness Standards	ls it included in your English curriculum?	At what grade level (or in which course) are students first introduced to it?	At what grade level (or in which course) are students expected to demonstrate proficiency?		
TOD	401	Determine relevance of material in terms of the focus of the essay					
TOD	402	Identify the purpose of a word or phrase when the purpose is straightforward (e.g., describing a person, giving examples)					
TOD	403	Use a word, phrase, or sentence to accomplish a straightforward purpose (e.g., conveying a feeling or attitude)					
ORG	401	Determine the need for transition words or phrases to establish straightforward logical relationships (e.g., first, afterward, in response)					
ORG	402	Determine the most logical place for a sentence in a straightforward essay					
ORG	403	Provide an introduction to a straightforward paragraph					
ORG	404	Provide a straightforward conclusion to a paragraph or essay (e.g., summarizing an essay's main idea or ideas)					
ORG	405	Rearrange the sentences in a straightforward paragraph for the sake of logic					
KLA	401	Delete redundant and wordy material when the problem is contained within a single phrase (e.g., "alarmingly startled," "started by reaching the point of beginning")					
KLA	402	Revise expressions that deviate from the style and tone of the essay					
KLA	403	Determine the need for conjunctions to create straightforward logical links between clauses					
KLA	404	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence when the vocabulary is relatively common					
SST	401	Recognize and correct marked disturbances in sentence structure (e.g., faulty placement of adjectives, participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers, lack of parallelism within a simple series of verbs)					
USG	401	Use the correct comparative or superlative adjective or adverb form depending on context (e.g., "He is the oldest of my three brothers")					



Mapping ACT Standards Against District Curriculum: Math

ACT® College and Career Readiness Standards™A progression of learning for readiness!

	Beginner	Basic	Intermediate	Proficient	Advanced	Expert
Topics in the flow to	Score Range 13-15	Score Range 16-19	Score Range 20-23	Score Range 24-27	Score Range 28-32	Score Range 33–36
Number and Quantity (N)	N 201. Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals N 202. Recognize equivalent fractions and fractions in lowest terms N 203. Locate positive rational numbers	N 301. Recognize one-digit factors of a number N 302. Identify a digit's place value N 303. Locate rational numbers on the number line Note: A matrix as a representation of data is	N 401. Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts such as rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, primes, and greatest common factor N 402. Write positive powers of 10 by using	N 501. Order fractions N 502. Find and use the least common multiple N 503. Work with numerical factors N 504. Exhibit some knowledge of the complex numbers N 505. Add and subtract	N 601. Apply number properties involving prime factorization N 602. Apply number properties involving even/odd numbers and factors/multiples N 603. Apply number properties involving positive/negative numbers N 604. Apply the	N 701. Analyze and draw conclusions based on number concepts N 702. Apply properties of rational numbers and the rational number system N 703. Apply properties of real numbers and the real

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Table 3. ACT Mathematics College and Career Readiness Standards for Score Range 20-23

	Ma	thematics College and Career Readiness Standards	Is it included in your Mathematics curriculum?	At what grade level (or in which course) are students first introduced to it?	At what grade level (or in which course) are students expecte to demonstrate proficiency?
N	401	Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts such as rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, primes, and greatest common factor			
Ν	402	Write positive powers of 10 by using exponents			
N	403	Comprehend the concept of length on the number line, and find the distance between two points			
N	404	Understand absolute value in terms of distance			
N	405	Find the distance in the coordinate plane between two points with the same x-coordinate or y-coordinate			
Ν	406	Add two matrices that have whole number entries			
AF	401	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and estimating by using a given average value in place of actual values			
AF	402	Perform straightforward word-to-symbol translations			
AF	403	Relate a graph to a situation described in terms of a starting value and an additional amount per unit (e.g., unit cost, weekly growth)			
Α	401	Evaluate algebraic expressions by substituting integers for unknown quantities			
Α	402	Add and subtract simple algebraic expressions			
Α	403	Solve routine first-degree equations			
Α	404	Multiply two binomials			
Α	405	Match simple inequalities with their graphs on the number line $\left(e.g., x \ge -\frac{3}{5}\right)$			
Α	406	Exhibit knowledge of slope			
F	401	Evaluate linear and quadratic functions, expressed in function notation, at integer values			
G	401	Use properties of parallel lines to find the measure of an angle			

Customer Success Story

Aligning curriculum for district, school and student success





Facing Challenges, Finding Solutions in Helena, MT

Challenges:

- o How to measure student readiness for college?
- o How to create a plan for student growth?

Other Issues:

- Teacher preferences often dictated course topics.
- Without data, difficult to discuss curriculum changes.
- No common language to determine readiness or curriculum improvements.

Solution:

- The ACT administered to all high school juniors.
- District adopted ACT-recommended course patterns.

Results:

- District made data-informed curriculum improvements.
- o Staff aligned on measuring readiness and growth.
- Percentage of students meeting or exceeding ACT subject-specific benchmarks increased in 4 years.

Subject	ACT Benchmark	% Achieving Year 1	% Achieving Year 4
English	18	63%	69%
Math	22	38%	50%
Science	23	44%	46%
Reading	22	33%	40%

Note: Percentages show percent of students meeting or exceeding benchmarks.



Helping Students Succeed and Grow

"The school's staff are all speaking the same language. For students not meeting benchmarks, an intense review of students' results assists us in informing instruction."

Greg Upham, assistant superintendent, Helena Public School District, Montana

Read the full story <u>here</u>.





BEST PRACTICES FOR PREPARATION

Accelerate school improvement and student growth



ACT® Online Prep

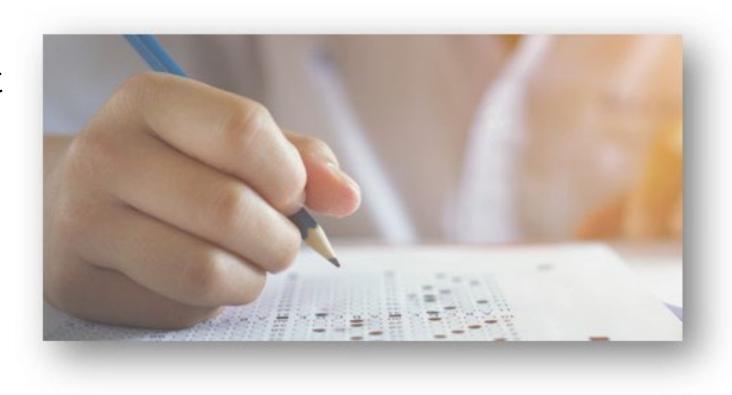
Proprietary test prep for school leaders





Three Components of Successful Test Prep

- 1 Content reinforcement
- 2 Test familiarization
- 3 Testing strategies



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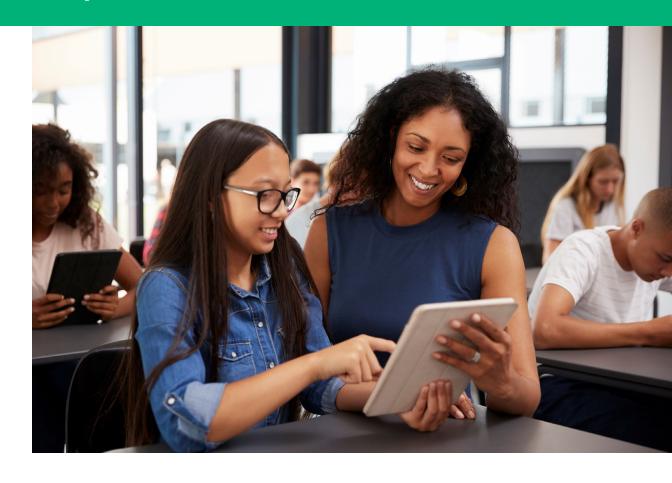




Authentic ACT Test Prep

Actual ACT content:

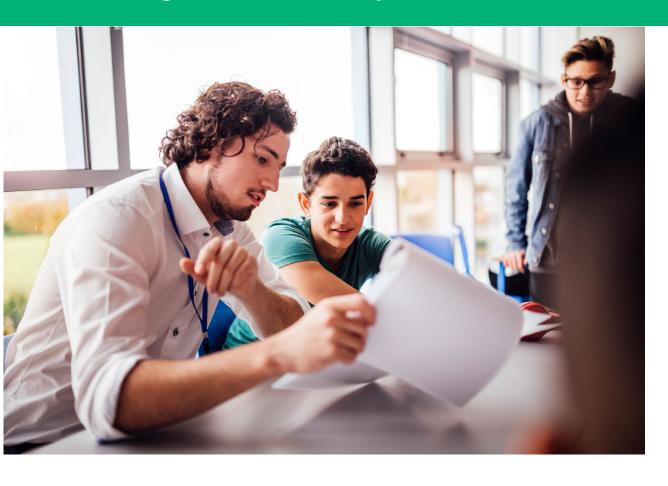
- Two full-length tests
- Al-scored writing essays
- Four short-form subject tests
- More than 2,400 test questions







Ways to Implement AOP





Use AOP in subject-specific courses

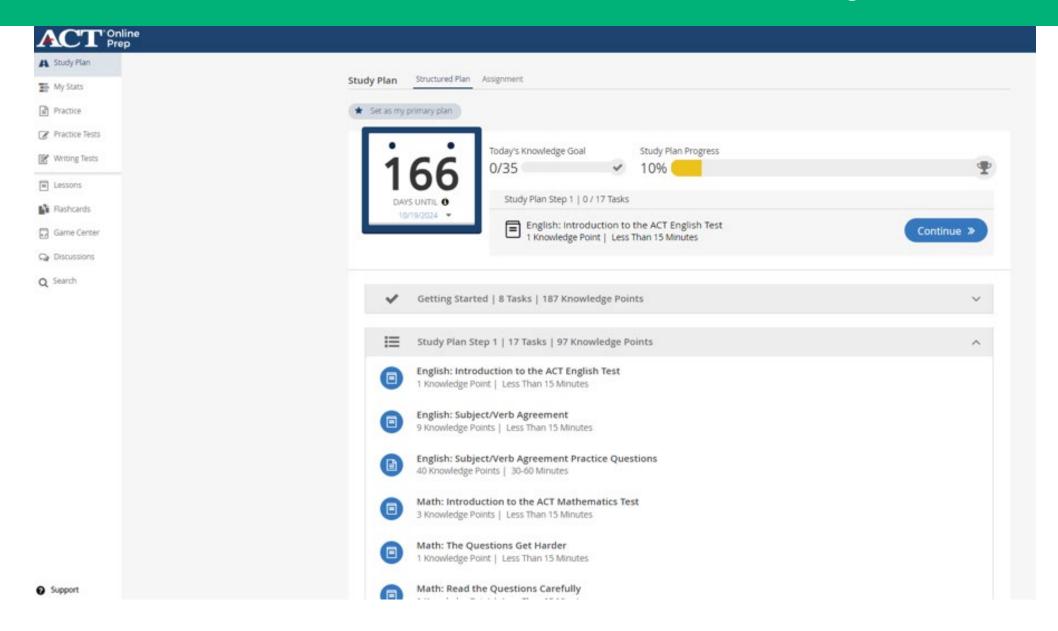


Use AOP in an ACT test prep course





AOP Student Dashboard Study Plan





AOP for Subject-Specific Course: Math

Daily	Weekly	Biweekly	Monthly
Bellringers: Exercises that should only take 5 minutes	1 day a week for	Two times a	One time a month
	approximately 20	month each 20-30	take a full class
	minutes	minutes	period

Embedded in courses

Algebra 1 Teachers

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 4	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9
Integers	Vocab	English	Exponents	Factors &	Ratios,	Logic first,	Applying	Simp the
Integers	Vocab PQ	-to-	Exponents	Multiples	Prop, %	Calc last,	Ratios,	question, x-y
PQ	Basic	Math	PQ	Factors &	Ratios	Arithmetic	Prop, %	Coordinate
Real #	Operations	English	Roots	Multiples	PQ	Word		Plane
Decimals	Basic PQ	-to-	Radicals	PQ		Problems,		
Fractions	PEMDAS	Math	Roots PQ			and PQ		
Fractions	PEMDAS PQ	PQ						
PQ								

PQ - Practice Questions





Research Supports the Efficacy of AOP

Schools that have had the MOST success in improving their students' scores on the ACT:



Use **DATA** for instructional decision-making.



of the capabilities of ACT Online Prep.



BALANCE timing of instruction to optimize engagement and learning.



Tailor instruction to students' **NEEDS.**



preparation initiatives for effectiveness.



Focus on content **AND** test-taking strategies.



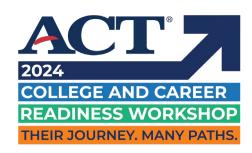
methods to improve student engagement.

Source: Test Prep In Schools with State and District Testing



Helping Educators Help Their Students

Professional development to support teacher confidence and district preparedness





What is ACT Instructional Mastery (AIM)?

- Typically, 2 days, 12-14 hours.
 - o In-person consecutive days.
 - Web-based more flexibility.
- Subject-specific deep dives.
- Designed to improve ACT preparatory Instruction.
- Capped at 30 participants/course.
- Trainers include ACT test writers.
- Culminates in 30-minute Knowledge Check, with badges awarded to participants passing the assessment.
- 96% would recommend to others: survey responses.

Note: AIM workshops are offered by ACT at specific times during the year, or they can be scheduled by a school/district for their staff. See website for details.







How AIM Benefits to Schools and Districts

Gain	Gain a better understanding of the ACT test and learn evidence-based ways to improve instruction of ACT preparation.
Provide	Provide a methodology to offer quality ACT test preparation for all students, supporting equity and access.
Learn	Learn teaching strategies that advance students' abilities to successfully master the core academic skills needed for college success.
Bring	Bring outsourced test prep programs in house at the school/district level for potential savings.
Build	Build knowledge and confidence for educators.





What Customers Are Saying About AIM

"Very helpful and useful information. I like that we were instructed by someone actually writing the English section. Very knowledgeable." (AIM English)

"This information is so useful for students! Many students fear standardized tests and do not know these strategies! **The strategies alone could bump score[s] up!**" (AIM Math)

"Without a doubt, I'd recommend this course to other educators due to the density of the content and method of instruction. I've completed other AIM courses, and I plan to seek certification in all things ACT." (AIM Reading)"

"Absolutely! It has been a game changer for me. It has been 40 years since I have taken the ACT. I needed this training to help me understand how to help my students score their best and more importantly be better able to interpret tables and graphs efficiently." (AIM Science)

"...the training gives insight into how to teach students to write not only for ACT, but also in general. I also believe that the best way to learn about the test is from the test maker." (AIM Writing)

"I'm happy I took time to come to this training. It is time away from my students, but I know I'm returning with some valuable information and exercises to help them prepare for the ACT and improve their writing overall." Thank you! (AIM Writing)





Professional Services

Professional development and instructional planning guidance to meet your needs





ACT Professional Services

Get highly interactive programs that engage educators in examining their own data and explore strategies you can use immediately in PLCs, departmental meetings, and classrooms.

Services include:

- Aligning written, tested, and taught curriculum.
- Building staff capacity with PD that meets standards.
- Providing research-based instructional resources.
- Strategic planning with data analysis and visualizations



ACT Professional Services



ACT Professional Services Workshop Categories

- ACT Instructional Mastery: Help students pass the ACT test.
- Social and Emotional Learning: Support schools and districts using Mosaic™ by ACT® SEL products.
- The ACT, PreACT, PreACT 8/9, and ACT Online Prep: No one can help educators use ACT data better than ACT! Improve student and school growth on ACT assessments.
- ACT WorkKeys and ACT WorkKeys Curriculum: Prepare students to take ACT WorkKeys assessments (i.e., NCRC); use the ACT WorkKeys Curriculum for individual student and school implementation.
- Teaching and Learning Best Practices: Better understand the ACT test, examine the ACT College and Career Readiness Standards (CCRS), and plan for improved student preparation and success on the ACT.



PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Guide students toward postsecondary success



Using Career Assessment Data

Career insights to guide students' journeys from the PreACT and ACT assessments



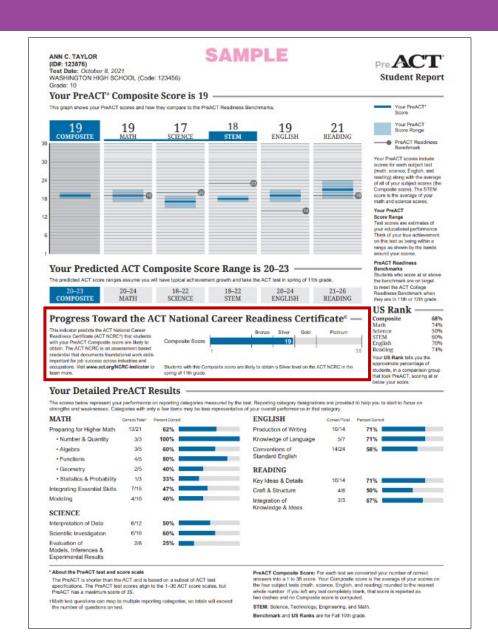


PreACT Reports Offer Early Insights for Career Interests

In addition to Composite and predictive scores, PreACT and PreACT 8/9 student reports include:

- Predicted WorkKeys
 NCRC level.
- Students' college and career planning results, including measured career interests and an Interest-Career Fit metric.

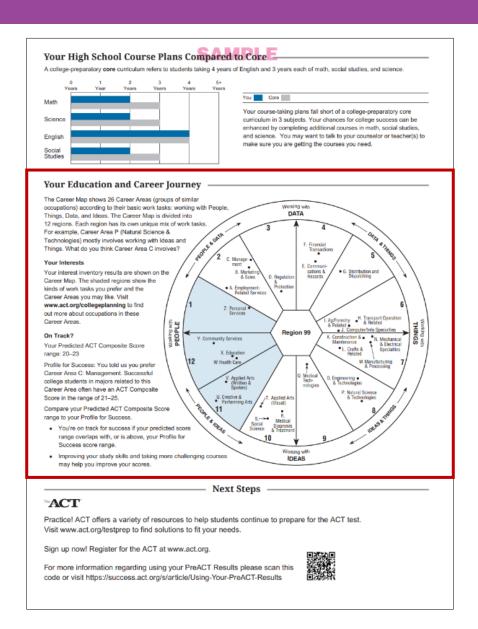
Note: Interest inventory available for paper format of PreACT 8/9 and PreACT.





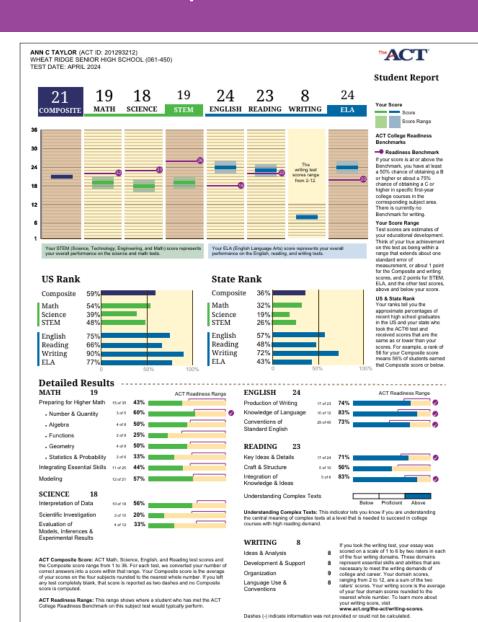
Get Personalized College and Career Advice

The results from the Interest Inventory create personalized College Major Map and Career Map to narrow down options that align with students' interests, abilities, and values.





ACT Score Reports Build On Insights and Track Progress



Sending Your Scores

A score report (including your photo) was automatically sent to the high school you reported when registration was completed for the test. Your school will use this information for counseling, evaluating the effectiveness of instruction, and planning changes and improvements in the curriculum.

At your direction, your scores from this test date are also being reported to the colleges shown. (Be aware that when you send a report to a college that is part of a school system, the college may share your score with other colleges in that system.) Institutions use your test scores along with high school grades, academic preparation, future plans, and other factors to help identify applicants who can benefit most from their programs In addition, colleges can use results on the ACT to assist scholarship/loan agencies in identifying qualified candidates, place students in first-year courses, and help students develop an appropriate program of study.

If you entered a college code incorrectly or forgot to include one, don't worry! You can still send scores to other colleges. Visit www.act.org/the-act/scores to explore student

- AUBURN UNIVERSITY www.auburn.edu
- ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY
- CAPITAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Where Are You Going?

Visit www.act.org/collegeplanning to learn more

about yourself and find out about careers, majors,

and colleges that may be right for you. It's free!

Consider retesting if one or more of the following

. Do you feel that your scores should be higher than

. Did you have any problems during the tests, like

misunderstanding the directions or feeling ill?

Do you want to apply to a college that requires or

Have you taken more coursework or an intensive review

Retesting with the ACT

those received?

in the areas covered?

recommends the writing test?

MITCHELL COLLEGE

College and Career Planning

Not sure what direction you want to take with your education or career? Don't know where to start? Having education and career goals can help you succeed in college and find satisfying work. Setting goals and making plans involves getting answers to the questions

We are here to help. Visit www.act.org/collegeplanning for personalized information on education and career options. There are hundreds of occupations and majors. How do you choose? It helps to have options that are based on what matters to you. For example, all occupations differ in their involvement with four basic work tasks: working with Data, Ideas,



strengths, interests, and work values in these four areas ACT can help you discover occupations that fit you best.



Go to www.act.org/collegeplanning and find answers to questions you may be asking now

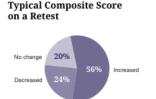
- . How do I get started with college and career planning?
- Which occupations will allow me to use my strengths and do the kinds of work I enjoy?
- . Which majors will provide me with a path to achieving my career goals?
- . Do the colleges I am considering offer majors I am interested in?

Progress Toward the ACT National Career Readiness Certificate®

This indicator provides an estimate of the ACT National Career Readiness Certificate (ACT NCRC®) that students with your ACT Composite score are likely to obtain. The ACT NCRC is an assessment-based credential that documents foundational work skills important for job success across industries and occupations. Visit www.act.org/NCRC-indicator to learn



Students with this ACT Composite score are likely to obtain a Silver level NCRC.



Go to www.act.org/the-act/retaking for more

If you have concerns about the security of the tests, please report them at www.act.ethicspoint.com or 855.382.2645.



ACT® WorkKeys and the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)

Empowering students with essential workplace skills





Prepare Students for Workplace Success



WorkKeys Assessments

Measure your students' careerready skills for future success.



WorkKeys Curriculum

Help students build essential skills for learning, personal development, and effective job performance.



WorkKeys NCRC

Offer your students a nationally recognized credential that will get them noticed by employers.



WorkKeys Job Profiling

Analyze specific job tasks and link required skill levels to pinpoint benchmarks for training.



WorkKeys Assessments





National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) Assessment



Applied Math

Builds ability to apply mathematic principles, which measures critical thinking and problem solving techniques for situations that actually occur in today's workplace

55 minutes/ 34 items



Workplace Documents

Measures the skills people use when they read and use written text such as memos, letters, directions, signs, notices, bulletins, policies, and regulations on the job

55 minutes/ 35 items



Graphic Literacy

Builds the ability to find, analyze and apply information presented in workplace graphics (Charts, diagrams, floorplans, etc.)

55 minutes/ 38 items





NCRC Certifies Skills

The NCRC is awarded at four levels. Higher levels indicate a greater number of jobs for which a recipient is qualified.

- Platinum indicates the skills required for approximately 99% of ACT-profiled jobs.
- Gold indicates the skills required for approximately 93% of ACT-profiled jobs.
- Silver indicates the skills required for approximately 69% of ACT-profiled jobs.
- Bronze indicates the skills required for approximately 17% of ACT-profiled jobs.



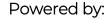


WorkKeys NCRC Digital Badges

Once testing is complete, examinees can earn an ACT[®] WorkKeys[®] National Career Readiness Certificate[™] (NCRC[®]) Digital Badge.

More than 570,000 earners have used their badges to:

- · Get noticed by employers.
- Share their digital badges on resumes and online.
- Provide employers with verification of their skills.
- Searched and applied for jobs through Credly.
- Send digital transcripts to earn college credit.















WorkKeys Curriculum





ACT WorkKeys Curriculum - A Proven Tool

1

Convenient

It's easy to implement and can be accessed from any computer, tablet, or mobile device.

2

Personalized

Each course includes a pre-course placement screener to guide learners to their ideal starting point.

3

Effective

Each course offers end-of-level quizzes to check for mastery.

4

Interactive

Learners can practice skills via embedded, interactive components that cover a variety of topics.



ACT WorkKeys Curriculum

WorkKeys NCRC-Aligned Courses

- Applied Math
- Graphic Literacy
- Workplace Documents

WorkKeys-Aligned Courses

- Applied Technology
- · Business Writing
- Workplace
 Observation

Essential Skills Courses

- Working in Teams
- Interpersonal & Business
 Communication
- Workplace
 Discipline
- Problem Solving & Critical Thinking
- Financial Awareness
- Customer
 Service



ACT WorkKeys
Curriculum Course
Outline

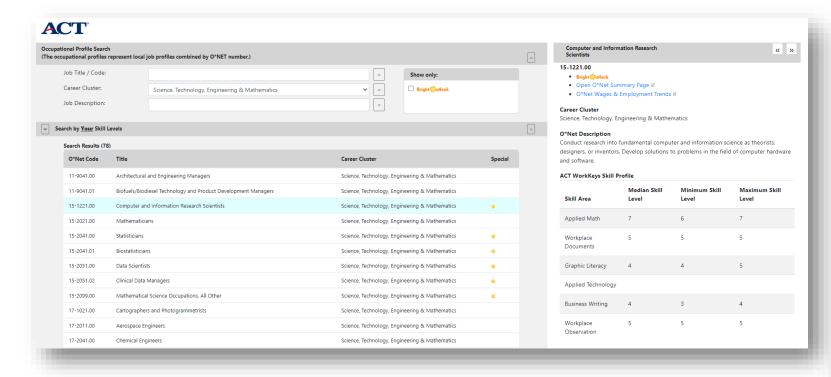


WorkKeys Job Profiling





Using NCRC Levels for Career Exploration





More Than A Score: Use the

Occupational Profile Search to

Explore Careers and Review the

ACT WorkKeys Profiles for the

Careers

Tasks:

Analyze problems to develop solutions involving computer hardware and software.

Apply theoretical expertise and innovation to create or apply new technology, such as adapting principles for applying computers to new uses.

Assign or schedule tasks to meet work priorities and goals.

Meet with managers, vendors, and others to solicit cooperation and resolve problems.

Design computers and the software that runs them.

Conduct logical analyses of business, scientific, engineering, and other technical problems, formulating mathematical models of problems for solution by computers.

Evaluate project plans and proposals to assess feasibility issues.

Participate in multidisciplinary projects in areas such as virtual reality, human-computer interaction, or robotics.

Consult with users, management, vendors, and technicians to determine computing needs and system requirements.

Develop and interpret organizational goals, policies, and procedures.

Develop performance standards, and evaluate work in light of established standards.

Maintain network hardware and software, direct network security measures, and monitor networks to ensure availability to system users.

Direct daily operations of departments, coordinating project activities with other departments.

Participate in staffing decisions and direct training of subordinates.

Approve, prepare, monitor, and adjust operational budgets.



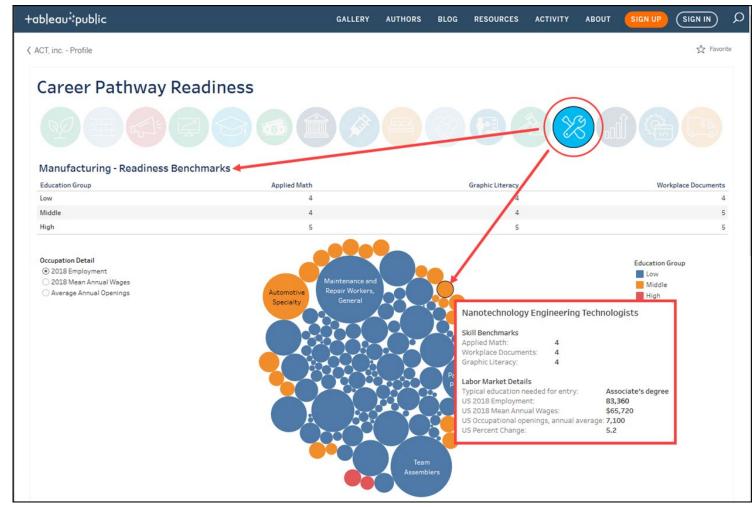
WorkKeys Supports Career and Academic Planning

WorkKeys/NCRC Skill Profiles as Benchmarks for Career and Academic Planning:

Career Readiness

Industry Readiness

Matching Your WorkKeys Skills to Jobs Activity





Navigating the College Application Landscape

Helping students achieve success





Test Score Submission Policies Still Vary Widely

Test Submission Policies	
Required	Applicants must send standardized test scores.
Conditional	Applicants are required to send standardized test scores UNLESS minimal conditions are met, such as GPA or class rank.
Recommended	Applicants are encouraged to send standardized test scores, but they are not required.
Flexible	Applicants do not need to send standardized test scores but must send something else in their place (e.g., send AP results, write an essay, do an interview).
Optional	Applicants may choose to send scores, and scores are considered if sent, but students are not penalized if not sent.
Blind	Scores will not be considered even if sent.

Test Scores Are Still Required in Certain Cases

Test-optional schools may require test scores when students:

Apply to certain programs (e.g., Nursing, Engineering, Honors).

Apply for certain scholarships or financial aid.

Have been homeschooled.

Have graduated from a non-accredited high school.



Workforce-Bound Students Benefit from Test Scores

An ACT score can help students explore career decisions based on how their interests align with their strengths.

These insights can support meaningful conversations with parents and educators about their futures.



ACT is More Than a College Admissions Score



- Is part of a holistic high school course selection (and placement) process.
- Provides valid insights based on content learned at school identifies strengths and challenges.
- Counters grade subjectivity and inflation.
- Offers a career planning component linked interest, aptitudes, value.
- Impacts course placement or direct admission into certain majors.
- Supports students interested in military testing (ASVAB), which is on par with rigor of ACT.
- Provides standards-based results that are often submitted for math, English, and STEM prerequisites, avoiding additional postsecondary placement testing.
- Gives every student the opportunity to see where they "benchmark."



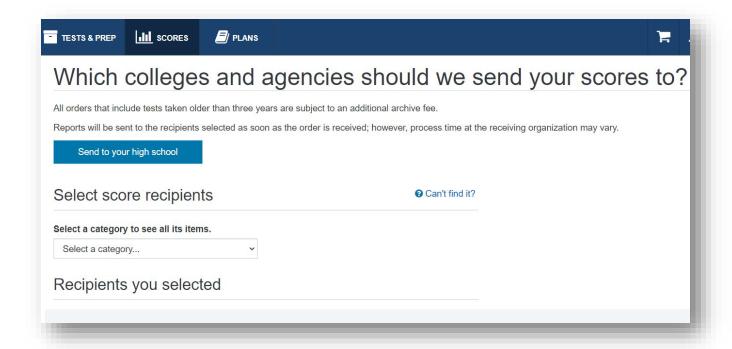
Planning for Postsecondary Success Additional tools and resources





Enhance Students' College Choices and Financial Aid

The ACT Educational
Opportunity Service (EOS)
helps match students with
colleges and other careerrelated resources aligned with
their background and interests.





ACT Fee Waiver Program

What's Included in the ACT Fee Waiver Program?

- Covers basic registration fee on national test taken in junior or senior year.
- May be used for 4 administrations of the ACT.
- Allows students to send scores to 4 college choices when registering for the test.
- Allows unlimited free additional score reports after registration.
- Provides online results shortly after tests are scored to inform instruction.
- Includes free access to test prep.
- Free <u>Test Information Release</u> on these dates:

September 2024 - Saturday testing only December 2024 - Saturday testing only February 2025 – Saturday and non-Saturday testing



ACT Fee Waiver Program

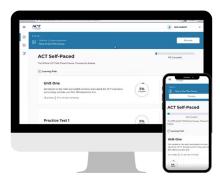




Test Optimal: ACT Prep

Official prep. ACT produces the best test prep to match its ACT test.

- · Provides the only prep material with authentic practice tests.
- Helps teachers align their courses to the expectations of the ACT.
- Is based on the ACT College and Career Readiness Standards and the ACT test.



Self-paced Courses

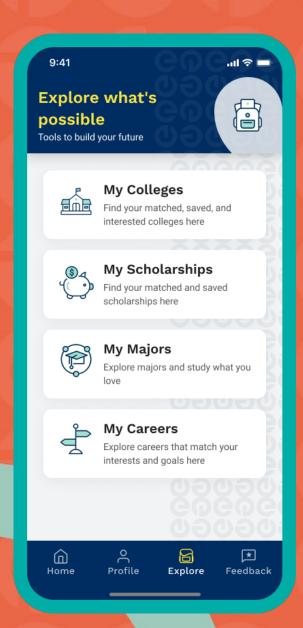


Test-prep Guidebooks



Live Online Courses



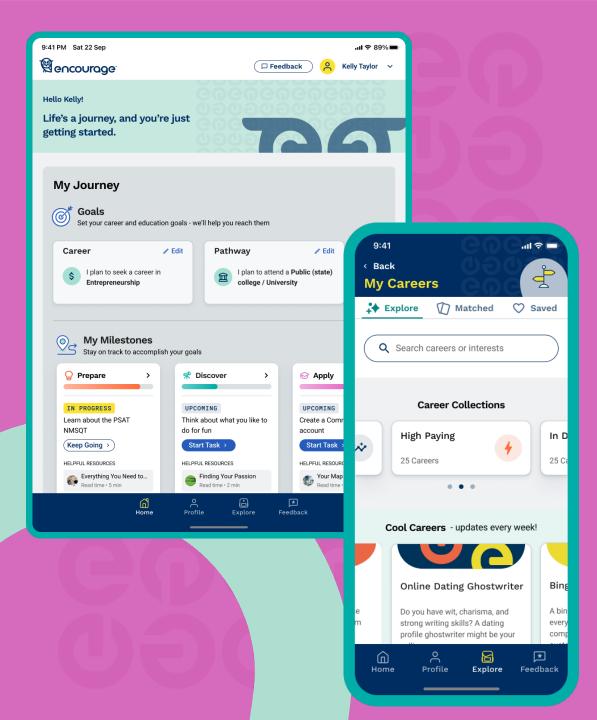




Free college *and* career planning program helping 20,000 educators each year guide students as they navigate life after high school.

encourageme.com/educators







Bringing careers into focus and informing what to do now

- Career and major matches based on interests which include courses to take in high school
- Step-by-step guidance to make achieving their goals manageable

"I love structure and Encourage gives me a lowstress list to guide me through one of the most important parts of my life." -11th Grader

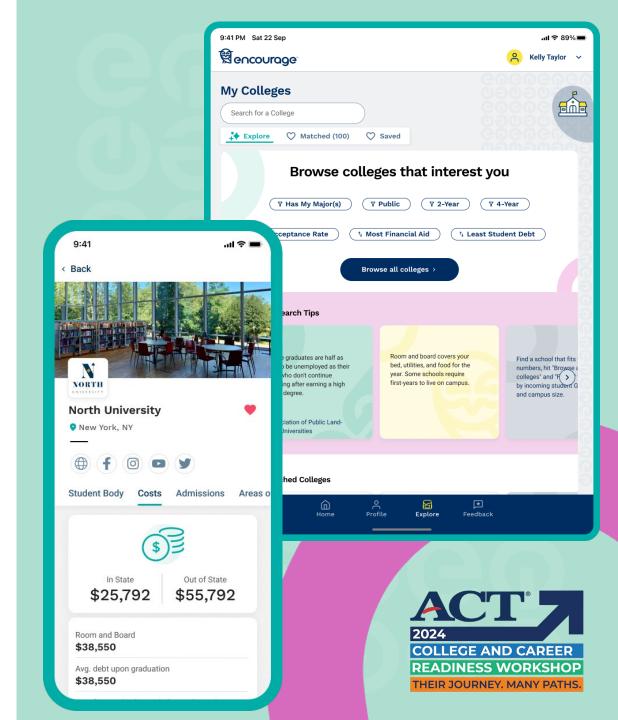


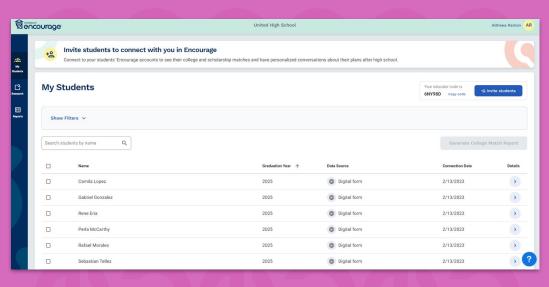


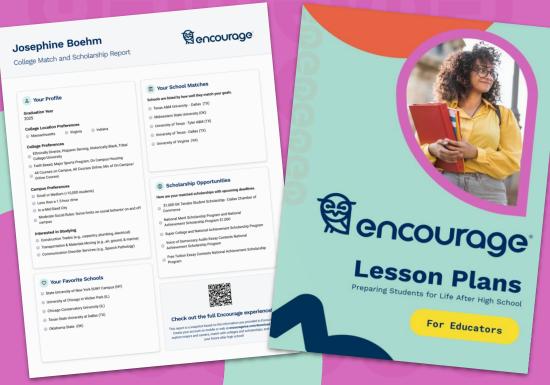
Making it easier for students to find a good-fit college

- 100 college matches based on preferences, goals, and interests
- Suggested scholarship opportunities to make college more affordable
- Connect scores from ACT

"I think this app helps a ton for people who aren't sure about college education—it cleared a lot of my confusion."-9th Grader









Practical resources for educators

- Straightforward dashboard to simplify your experience and save time
- Clear reports to inform conversations with students and identify opportunities
- Ongoing resources to support your work throughout the year



Other Resources for College and Career Planning

ACT Navigator: New college and career planning tool for families.

ACAC: National effort to increase the number of first-generation college students and students from low-income families pursuing a college degree.

CollegeWise: ACT partner offering college advisement resources.

MyJourney: Insights from recent graduates and admissions experts.

ACT Student Blog: Articles on a high school resources, preparing for college, and much more!







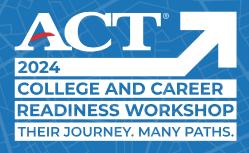






BUILDING ESSENTIAL SKILLS

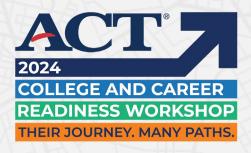
Learn how these skills impact college and career readiness





BUILDING A SOLID FOUNDATION WITH

ESSENTIAL SKILLS



Social Emotional Skills Are...

ESSENTIAL SKILLS * DURABLE SKILLS * CAREER READINESS SKILLS
LIFE SKILLS * WORK READY SKILLS * SOFT SKILLS * NON-ACADMEIC
SKILLS * NON-COGNITVE SKILLS * 21st CENTURY SKILLS

Interpersonal, self-regulatory, and task-related behaviors important for adaptation to and successful performance in education and workplace settings.





Future Skills For Work

2021 McKinsey Report Future Skills for Work

- Surveyed 18,000 people in 15 countries.
- Identified 56 foundational skills for the future of work.
- At least 35 related to social and emotional skills





Self-leadership

Self-awareness and self-management

- Understanding own emotions
 Integrity and triggers
- Self-control and regulation
- Understanding own strengths
 Self-confidence
- Self-motivation and wellness

Entrepreneurship

- · Courage and risk-taking
- Driving change and innovation
- Energy, passion, and optimism
- Breaking orthodoxies

Goals achievement

- Ownership and decisiveness
- Achievement orientation
- Grit and persistence
- Coping with uncertainty
- Self-development

Digital

Digital fluency and citizenship

- Digital literacy
 - Digital collaboration
- Digital learning
- Digital ethics

Software use and development

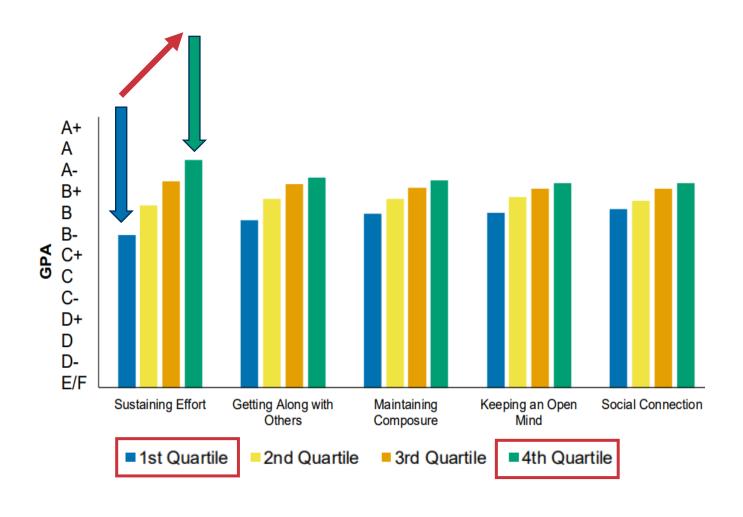
- Programming literacy
- Data analysis and statistics
- Computational and algorithmic thinking

Understanding digital systems

- Data literacy
- Smart systems
- Cybersecurity literacy
- Tech translation and enablement



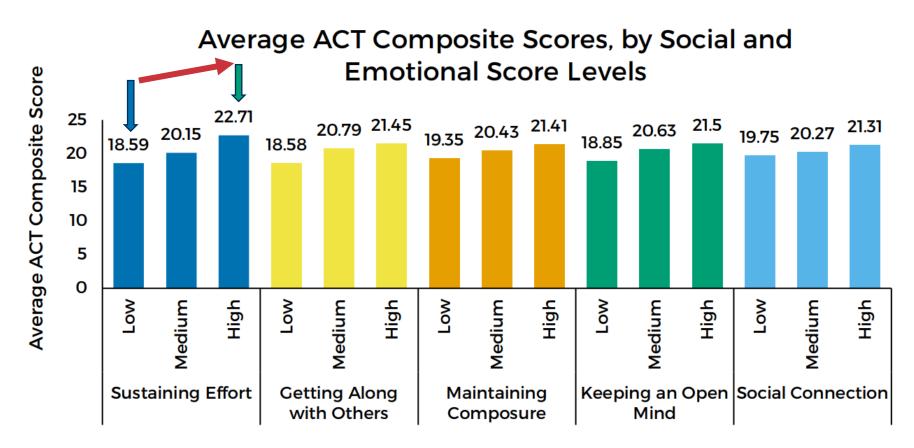
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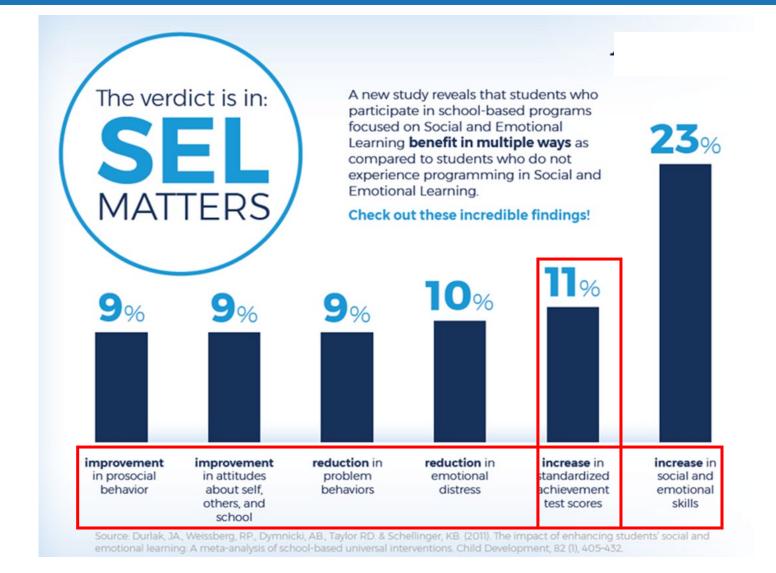
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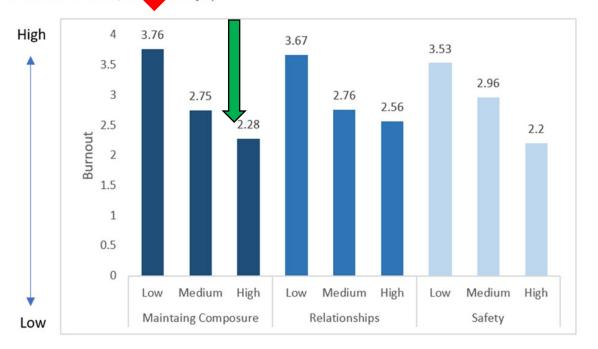


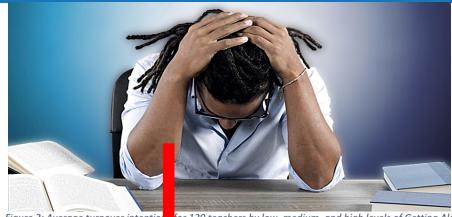


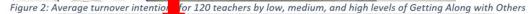
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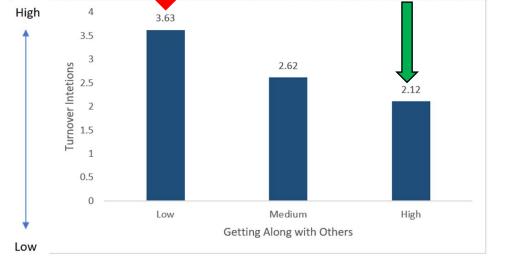
Lower = Better

Figure 1: Average burnout stress for 439 teachers by low, medium, and high levels of Maintaining Composure, Relationships with School Personnel, and hool Safety





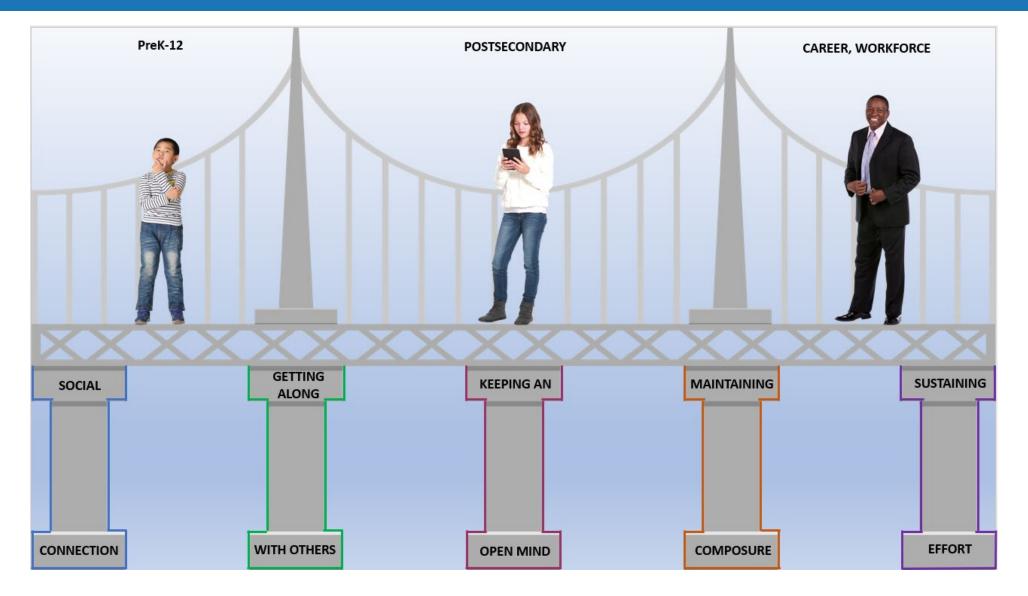








Building Essential Skills from PreK Through Career





Relevant Skills for Each Stage of Life

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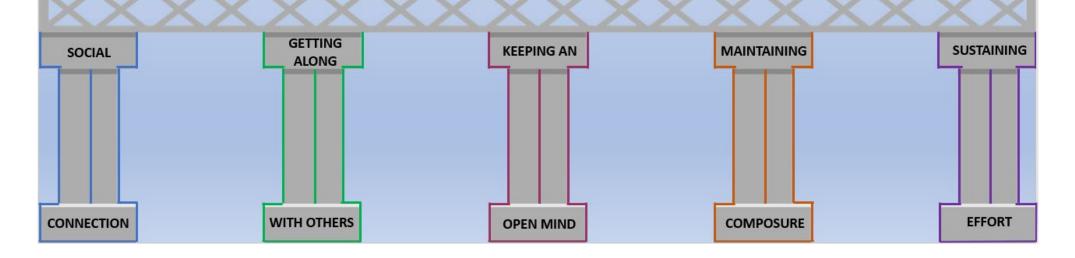
- Working in peer groups.
 Advocating for self.
- Responding to peer pressure.
- Learning to ask questions to problem solve.
- Bad grades? Didn't make the team? Breakup?
- Struggling to understand algebra? Finding a way to pay for college/trade school?

POSTSECONDARY

- Offers course of action during group work.
 Encourages peer involvement.
- Accurately identifies source of conflict when/before disagreement arises and actively suggests solution.
- Anticipates, accepts, and adapts to differences between instructors' course expectations.
- Understanding your failures are learning opportunities.
- College degree? Boot camp? Internship?

CAREER, WORKFORCE

- Working with and/or leading a team.
- Overlook personal biases to collaborate on work projects.
- Brainstorming with colleagues to problem solve.
- Performance reviews.
 Workplace politics.
- Mortgage. Family.





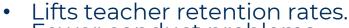
Big Picture: SEL is ESSENTIAL

Which is most relevant to you and your work with students?

Students & Families



- Boosts social-emotional skills.
- Improves attitudes about self, others, and school.
- Positive classroom behavior.
- Higher attendance rates.
- Lifts achievement on standardized tests
 11 percentile points.





- · Less emotional stress.
- Lower drug use.
- Lower intervention costs for schools.





Teachers who possess social and emotional competencies are more likely to stay in the classroom longer because they're able to work more effectively with challenging students — one of the main causes of burnout.



Statistically significant associations between measured social-emotional skills in students and key young adult outcomes across multiple domains of education, employment, criminal activity, substance abuse, and mental health.



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Thank you!

