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Coffee &
Conversation



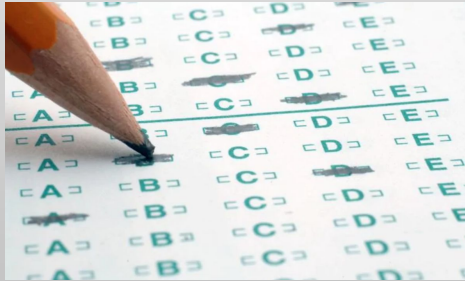
Post-Secondary Planning Night for the Class of 2021

Two options offered:

Saturday, December 7th @ 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, December 11th at 6:30 p.m.

Types of Standardized Tests



PSATs

SATs

ACTs

AP Exams

SAT Subject Tests



PSATs

- The PSATs were administered on Wednesday, October 16th to all 10th and 11th graders.
- Results will be released online to students the week of December 9th.
- Students must have a College Board account in order to access results. www.collegeboard.org
- Students should link their PSAT score to Khan Academy in order to get free, personalized SAT prep. www.khanacademy.org
- Score ranges from 160-760 on two sections: Evidence Based Reading & Writing and Math.

SATs

- The SAT is more focused on the skills and knowledge at the heart of education. It measures what students learn in high school and what is needed to succeed in college.
- The total score is based on a 1600 point scale.
- Two subscores make up the total composite score:
 - Evidence Based Reading & Writing
 - ★ Reading
 - ★ Writing and Language
 - Mathematics
- The SAT essay is optional for students.

<https://www.collegeboard.org/>

ACTs

The ACT measures what you learn in high school to determine your academic readiness for college.

The ACT has four sections:

- English
- Math
- Reading
- Science

Each section receives a score of 1-36. The average of the four sections makes up a total composite score.



<http://www.act.org/>

SAT vs ACT

TEST	SAT	ACT
TIMING	3 hours and 50 minutes with essay	3 hours and 35 minutes with Writing Test
STRUCTURE	4 tests: Reading, Writing & Language, Math-calculator, Math-no calculator Optional Essay	4 tests: English, Math, Reading, Science Optional Writing Test
QUESTION TYPES	Multiple choice, essay, and grid-in	Multiple choice and essay
SCORE	Highest composite is 1600, which is the sum of 2 section scores	Highest composite is 36, which is the average of the 4 test scores
TIMING	More time per question	Less time per question
MATH TOPICS	More data analysis/problem solving Math- no calculator section	More geometry
READING TOPICS	More focus on history/social science	More focus on science

Practice ACT Test Opportunity

Saturday, December 7th

8:30-12:00

GVHS

Registration information will be sent out by Mr. Salladino on November 15th.

ACT practice test sponsored by Revolution Prep



Testing Dates

SAT Test Dates 2019-20

- October 5th *
- November 2nd
- December 7th *
- March 14th *
- May 8th
- June 5th *
- August (TBD) *

Exam fee: \$49.50 or
\$69.50 with essay

*Testing at GVHS

ACT Test Dates 2019-20

- September 14th
- October 26th
- December 14th
- February 8th
- April 4th
- June 13th
- July 18th

Exam fee: \$52 or \$68 with
writing

Garnet Valley is not a testing site

AP Exam Test Dates 2020

- May 4th - May 8th
- May 11th - May 15th

Exam fee: \$98 per exam



AP EXAMS

- Taken each May, by students all over the world, the AP Exam is the final step you take after a year of hard work in an AP course. These standardized exams are designed to measure how well you've mastered the content and skills of the course. A successful score could earn you credit and advanced placement in college.
- Most exams are 2-3 hours long.
 - The first part of the exam usually consists of multiple choice questions.
 - The second part of the exam usually consists of free-response questions that require you to generate your own responses.

SAT SUBJECT TESTS

The SAT Subject Tests are one-hour-long exams that give you the opportunity to demonstrate knowledge and showcase achievement in specific subjects.

Allows students to highlight a talent in a specific content area.

Some colleges recommend students take Subject Tests but very few schools require them to be submitted as part of the review process.

Mathematics

Math Level 1
Math Level 2

Science

Biology
Chemistry
Physics

English

Literature

History

US History
World History

Languages

Spanish
French
Chinese
German
Korean
Italian
Hebrew
Latin
Japanese

SAT/ACT prep resources:

FREE:

- Khan Academy
- Garnet Valley HS SAT prep elective
- College Board account

COURSES:

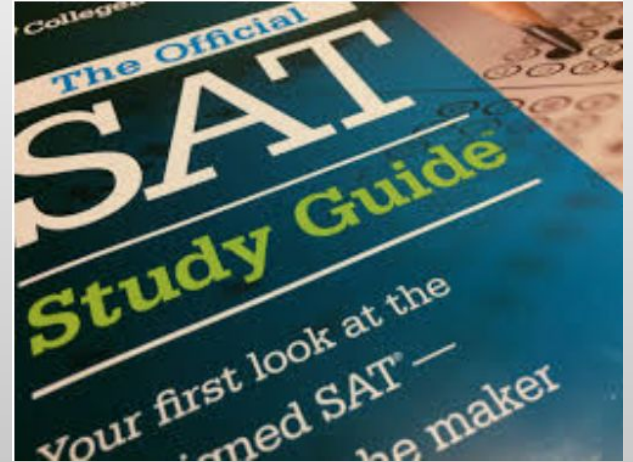
- Kaplan (online and at GVHS)
- Revolution Prep (online)

LEARNING CENTERS:

- Mathnasium (Chadds Ford)
- CollegeBound (Broomall or West Chester)

PRIVATE:

- Contact your child's counselor for recommendations



SCORES NOT NEEDED?

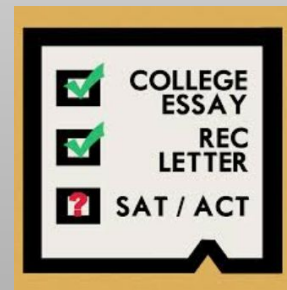
Not every college requires students to submit Standardized Test scores as part of the college admission process.

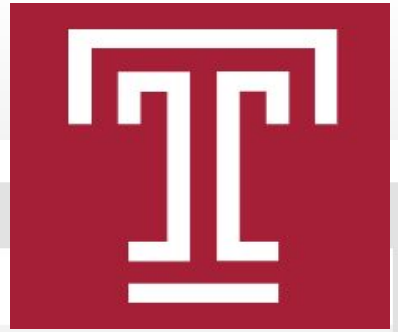
TEST OPTIONAL

- Leaves the decision up to the student as to whether or not the student wants to send their scores to the college.

TEST FLEXIBLE

- Allows students the option to submit additional materials such as an extra essay in place of submitting scores.





Temple Option FAQ

— What is the “Temple Option?”

The Temple Option is an admissions path for talented students whose potential for academic success is not accurately captured by standardized test scores.

Students who choose the Temple Option will submit self-reflective short answers to a few specially designed, open-ended questions instead of their SAT or ACT scores.



NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

Standardized Testing Policy

NYU has one of the most flexible testing policies of any college or university. To be eligible for admission, you must submit ONE of the following:

- [SAT](#); or
- [ACT](#); or
- [International Baccalaureate \(IB\) Diploma](#); or
- [Three \(3\) SAT Subject Test scores](#); or
- [Three \(3\) AP Exam scores](#); or
- [Three \(3\) IB higher-level exam scores if not an IB Diploma candidate](#); or
- [Other international examinations](#) that show you completed, or if submitting predicted results show you will complete, your secondary education. You can use our [International Qualifications Tool](#) for information about credentials we accept from the country in which you are enrolled in secondary school