Resources for Students and their Families

ACT is committed to providing insights that will help individuals better prepare for success throughout their lives. This brochure can help students, parents, and educators quickly locate no-cost and low-cost ACT tools and resources to help students start planning for life after high school.

Inside you will learn about tools to help students:

- Search for and apply to college
- Choose a major
- Prepare for the ACT test
- Match student interests with careers
- Prepare for life after high school

Make a stop at www.actstudent.org for more tools and resources.
ACT Test Resources

ACT Student Web Account
Students can set up an ACT Student Web Account to register for the ACT. The student account allows students to make changes to their test option, test date, or test center; add, change, or delete college choices; receive email updates from ACT about registration; view scores; and request additional score reports.

www.actstudent.org

ACT Student
for iPhone® and iPod touch®
Anticipate and manage the ACT test experience with the ACT Student app. Practice test questions and gain feedback, log in for limited, read-only access to your own registration and score information, and get straight answers to typical questions test takers have about the test and test day.

www.act.org/mobileapps/actstudent

ACTPhoto
for iPhone® and iPod touch® and for Android
Capture and upload a photo of your face with ACTPhoto to submit to ACT for identification purposes. Students registering to take the ACT are required to submit a photo before they can print their ACT admission ticket. First create an ACT web account at www.actstudent.org. You can then log in with your ACT Web User ID and password to upload the photo from the mobile app. On upload, ACTPhoto will verify whether the submitted photo meets ACT requirements.

www.act.org/mobileapps/actphoto

Preparing for the ACT
This free booklet includes descriptions of the skills measured by the ACT, test-taking strategies, general information about test day, and complete practice tests, including a writing prompt. A sample answer document, scoring key, and scoring instructions are also included.

www.actstudent.org/testprep

ACT Question of the Day
Visit www.actstudent.org where a new ACT test practice question is posted each day—FREE!

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ACT Online Prep™
ACT Online Prep offers two practice tests with real ACT test questions, a pre-test and study path, and comprehensive content review for each of the ACT four multiple-choice tests—English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science. Practice essays with real-time scoring for the optional Writing Test are also included.

For more information on the Student Edition cost and technical requirements:

www.actstudent.org/testprep
The Real ACT Prep Guide—with CD
This is the only official ACT test preparation guide provided by ACT. Included are: five practice tests with an optional Writing Test, explanations for all right and wrong answer choices, an in-depth look at the optional Writing Test and how it is scored, and valuable test-taking strategies.

Using your ACT Results
The ACT Student Report contains a student’s ACT test results and basic explanations of what they mean. This booklet provides more information keyed to the three parts of the Student Report: scores, College Reports, and education and career planning. (Also available in Spanish.)

College & Career Planning

ACT College and Career Readiness Standards
By becoming familiar with the ACT College and Career Readiness Standards, educators and parents can best equip themselves to help students understand the skills necessary for academic success. The ACT College and Career Readiness Standards clearly describe the skills and abilities typically demonstrated by students scoring in particular ranges on ACT Explore®, ACT Plan®, and the ACT test.

ACT College Readiness Benchmarks
The ACT College Readiness Benchmarks are the minimum ACT test scores required for students to have a high probability of success in credit-bearing first-year college courses—English Composition, social sciences courses, College Algebra, or Biology.

ACT World-of-Work Map
With decades of solid foundational research, ACT offers many practical, up-to-date and interactive ways to help match students’ interests with careers. The ACT World-of-Work Map graphically shows how occupations relate to each other based on work tasks.

When students receive scores from one of the ACT assessments, they receive a personalized report. This report suggests map regions and career areas on the ACT World-of-Work Map for students to explore.
**ACT Map of College Majors**

Thinking about college majors? The ACT Map of College Majors can help students explore majors and begin to focus on those that fit them well. The ACT Map of College Majors is unique and searchable and directs students to 80 popular majors. The map is based on the interests of thousands of college students. Each map point corresponds to the interests of actual students enrolled in that major.

The map helps students see similarities and differences between majors, based on student preferences for activities involving data, ideas, people, and things.

[www.actstudent.org/majorsmap/index.html](http://www.actstudent.org/majorsmap/index.html)

**Get Set for College—Student Guide**

This guide can help students make some important decisions about their future education. Included are: six steps to simplify college planning, information on ACT test preparation, suggested activities and planning resources, college selection strategies, and financial aid facts. (Also available in Spanish.)

[www.act.org/education/family.html](http://www.act.org/education/family.html)

**Get Set for College—Parent Guide**

The parent version helps parents and students research colleges, discuss the information, and work together to decide which colleges are most appropriate. This brochure is meant to help parents and students prepare for opportunities and challenges ahead and make planning for college a little easier.

[www.act.org/education/family.html](http://www.act.org/education/family.html)

**Family Firsts—Student Guide**

By starting early to think about and plan for college, students can prepare for their future. This booklet is directed toward students who are the first in their family to attend college. It includes advice on why students should go to college, what it takes to get there, who can help, how to choose a college and succeed once there, and how to plan for college financing.

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**Family Firsts—Parent Guide**

The parent version, developed for parents whose child is the first to attend college, discusses college opportunities and experiences available to students. It provides college planning information such as the benefits of a college education, the college search, how and where to find financing, and how the parents can provide support as their child explores and plans for college. (Also available in Spanish.)

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