

## TESTING

Counselors typically encourage students to take the **SAT or ACT** during the spring of their junior year. You may take either the ACT or the SAT or both; most colleges accept both tests. Some colleges will superscore the tests, taking the highest score from each section. Refer to the individual colleges for these specifics. Both the ACT and SAT are commonly used for college admissions decisions and awarding merit-based scholarships. Most colleges do not have a preference of which one, but different students tend to do better on one test over the other. It is recommended to take both in order to make the determination of which you tend to score better on. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many schools have become “test optional,” meaning they are not requiring test scores for admission, however, sending a strong test score is still a favorable factor for any college.

When registering for these tests you will need to enter **Christian Family Academy’s code 341810**. Both tests will require you to upload a recent photo of yourself for test day check-in; therefore, make sure you have a photo available when you go online to register.

You will need to send your test scores directly from ACT/SAT to the colleges where you are applying for admission and/or choose to attend. Test scores do not appear on your transcript. Test scores can be sent free of charge to four schools during registration and for nine days following the test. If you choose to wait to send scores, be aware that there will be a fee to send each of the scores to the individual colleges. Many schools are now offering self-reported scores during the application process. This will save money because you will only pay to send scores to the school you decide to attend. Scores can be sent by going to [www.act.student.org](http://www.act.student.org) or [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org).

# ACT – American College Testing

Students register for the ACT online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). The registration process will take approximately 30 minutes. The first step is creating a username and password. Make sure you write this information down and keep it for future reference. It is important for the student to register for this test because of the nature of some of the questions. It may be helpful to have your transcript available to answer certain questions about classes taken and grades earned. The ACT has an interest inventory to help assess students' potential career interests. Filling out this inventory is optional but highly recommended. If you have questions regarding registration, you can contact ACT at (319) 337- 1270.

## 2021-2022 Test Dates (National)

Test Date	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline Late Fee Applies
September 11, 2021	August 6	August 20
October 23, 2021	September 17	October 1
December 11, 2021	November 5	November 19
February 12, 2022	January 7	January 21
April 2, 2022	February 25	March 11
June 11, 2022	May 6	May 20
July 16, 2022	June 17	June 24

# SAT – Scholastic Aptitude Test

Students register for the SAT at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com). The registration is similar to the ACT. If you have questions regarding the SAT registration you can reach SAT at (866) 756-7346.

## 2021-22 SAT Test Dates & Registration Deadlines

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Online/Phone Late Registration Deadline	Online Score Release
June 5, 2021	May 6, 2021	May 26, 2021	July 14, 2021
August 28, 2021	July 30, 2021	August 17, 2021	September 20, 2021
October 2, 2021	September 3, 2021	September 21, 2021	October 15, 2021
November 6, 2021	October 6, 2021	October 26, 2021	November 19, 2021
December 4, 2021	November 4, 2021	November 23, 2021	December 17, 2021
March 12, 2022	February 11, 2022	March 1, 2022	March 25, 2021
May 7, 2022	April 7, 2022	April 26, 2022	May 20, 2022
June 4, 2022	May 5, 2022	May 25, 2022	July 13, 2022

The following is a **Conversion Chart ACT/SAT**:

ACT COMP	SAT TOTAL	SAT RANGE	ACT COMP	SAT TOTAL	SAT RANGE
36	1590	1570–1600	22	1110	1100–1120
35	1540	1530–1560	21	1080	1060–1090
34	1500	1490–1520	20	1040	1030–1050
33	1460	1450–1480	19	1010	990–1020
32	1430	1420–1440	18	970	960–980
31	1400	1390–1410	17	930	920–950
30	1370	1360–1380	16	890	880–910
29	1340	1330–1350	15	850	830–870
28	1310	1300–1320	14	800	780–820
27	1280	1260–1290	13	760	730–770
26	1240	1230–1250	12	710	690–720
25	1210	1200–1220	11	670	650–680
24	1180	1160–1190	10	630	620–640
23	1140	1130–1150	9	590	590–610

## Compare the ACT and SAT tests

- ACT includes a Science section
- SAT includes one SAT Math Section on which you may not use a calculator

	SAT	ACT
<b>Why Take It</b>	Colleges use SAT scores for admissions and merit-based scholarships.	Colleges use ACT scores for admissions and merit-based scholarships.
<b>Test Structure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading</li> <li>• Writing &amp; Language</li> <li>• Math</li> <li>• Essay (Optional)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English</li> <li>• Math</li> <li>• Reading</li> <li>• Science Reasoning</li> <li>• Essay (Optional)</li> </ul>
<b>Length</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 hours (without essay)</li> <li>• 3 hours, 50 minutes (with essay)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 hours, 55 minutes (without essay)</li> <li>• 3 hours, 40 minutes (with essay)</li> </ul>
<b>Reading</b>	5 reading passages	4 reading passages
<b>Science</b>	None	1 science section testing your critical thinking skills (not your specific science knowledge)
<b>Math</b>	Covers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arithmetic</li> <li>• Algebra I &amp; II</li> <li>• Geometry, Trigonometry and Data Analysis</li> </ul>	Covers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arithmetic</li> <li>• Algebra I &amp; II</li> <li>• Geometry, Trigonometry, and Probability &amp; Statistics</li> </ul>
<b>Calculator Policy</b>	Some math questions don't allow the use of a calculator.	You can use a calculator on all math questions.
<b>Essays</b>	Optional. The essay will test your comprehension of a source text.	Optional. The essay will test how well you evaluate and analyze complex issues.
<b>How It's Scored</b>	Scored on a scale of 400–1600	Scored on a scale of 1–36