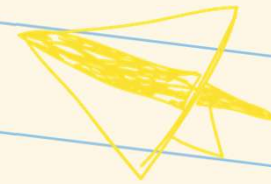


# The Enhanced ACT<sup>®</sup>



# About the Enhanced ACT



## What's Changing



Reduced Number of Questions



Shortened Test Time



More Time Per Question



Reduced Answer Choices for Math Questions (5 to 4)



Science Test is Optional



## What's Staying the Same



ACT Scale and Benchmarks Remain Unchanged



Prior Test Scores Will Remain Unchanged



No impact on Predicting First-Year College Success



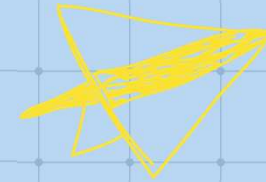
Both Paper and Online Tests Still Offered

## **DESIGNED FOR YOUR SUCCESS**

*The new enhanced ACT is built for you - shorter test, more time per question, and more flexibility to showcase your strengths.*



# What is on the Enhanced ACT Test?



## 3 Multiple-Choice Sections:

English, Math, and Reading.

131 questions in 2 hours and 5 minutes. Plus, short breaks between each section to recharge.

## Optional Science and Writing Sections:

Science: 40-minute section with 40 questions.

Writing: 40-minute section with one writing prompt.

## Why Choose Writing?

The ACT writing section can showcase your communication skills, enhance your application if English grades are low, and keep college options open. Consider taking it if writing is a strength or you're unsure about school choices.

## Why Choose Science?

The ACT science section can strengthen your STEM application, show potential beyond grades, and meet college requirements that aren't always clearly stated.

# Key Free Tools and Resources



# ACT Counselor Blog

- A central hub for timely articles and resources.
- Provides updates on new ACT initiatives and tools.
- Practical “how-to” content that counselors can apply right away.
- Opportunity for counselors to contribute their own stories.
- Website:  
<https://www.counselorblog.act.org>



# ACT Counselor Blog

## New Free Download: My Journey Events Poster

April 01, 2025  
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We have created a [My Journey Events Poster](#) for anyone interested to print and post for students to share the upcoming live and past on demand **FREE My Journey events** and get insights from recent graduates and admissions experts about preparing for college and career.

Upcoming live **My Journey** events include:

A promotional poster for ACT My Journey 2025. It features the logo at the top, a QR code in the center, and the text "REGISTER TODAY or watch past events" to the right of the QR code.

**College Admissions 101 for Seniors: Your Ultimate College Application Roadmap**

Wednesday, October 15, 2025 | 6:30 p.m. CT

A vertical poster for ACT My Journey 2025. It features a list of events with dates and titles, and a QR code at the bottom left. The events listed are:

- FEB. 2.12.2025** Spring Forward: Strategic Planning for College and Career Success
- APR. 4.16.2025** Building Skills in Middle School for Success in High School, College, and Beyond
- JUL. 7.8.2025** Highly Selective College Admissions
- AUG. 8.27.2025** College Knowledge Night for Parents of 9th-11th Graders
- SEP. 9.9.2025** College for Students With Learning Differences
- 9.16.2025** Crafting Your Creative Future: College Admissions for Artists & Performers
- 9.17.2025** Game Plan for Success: The College Admissions Playbook for Student-Athletes
- OCT. 10.15.2025** College Admissions 101: Your Ultimate College Roadmap to Success



# ACT Fee Waivers

Learn more in our blog post:  
*How to Order ACT Fee Waivers*



- Covers ACT registration fees for eligible students.
- Includes free score reports to colleges.
- Provides access to online prep resources and full Kaplan course.
- Encourages equity by removing financial barriers.
- Counselors are the gatekeepers to make sure students access these.
- Identify eligible students early
- Share waiver process during sophomore year
- Encourage students to use all available test opportunities



## Unite, Inc. and the ACT Fee Waiver Program: Championing College Access for Rural Alabama Students

Dr. Smith and his team champion the impact of the ACT Fee Waiver Program. “Throughout our three years of engaging with the ACT Fee Waiver Program, **I’ve seen more students sign up to take the test more than once**, increasing their chances of raising their scores.”

# ACT My Answer Key



## Only the name is new!

- Test Information Release, or TIR, is now ACT My Answer Key.
- Just like TIR, ACT My Answer Key shows students exactly what they got right and wrong on the ACT test so they can stop second-guessing themselves and start mastering the test for next time!
- **Did you know? Students using an ACT Fee Waiver get My Answer Key included at no cost.**
- ACT My Answer Key is available to purchase for **up to 6 months** after taking the ACT test.

Test Dates	Available to purchase until:	Eligibility:
October 2025	April 18, 2026	Saturday testing and non-Saturday testing
April 2026	October 11, 2026	Saturday testing and non-Saturday testing
June 2026	December 13, 2026	Saturday testing only



# Counselor Toolkit



- **Newly Updated (Summer 2025):** Redesigned to be more streamlined, easier to navigate, and counselor-focused.
- **Comprehensive Support:** Includes resources for test administration, student prep, professional learning, and family communication.
- **Practical Tools:** Downloadable guides, quick reference sheets, and links you can share directly with students and families.
- **One Central Hub:** No need to search multiple places—everything you need to support students with ACT is here.
- **We Value Your Feedback:** This resource is for you. Please share what’s working well and what else you’d like to see.

[ACT Counselor Toolkit Link](#)



# Counselor Toolkit



## Ways to use the Counselor Toolkit in your daily work

- **Student Meetings:** Share test prep guides or walk through ACT resources during one-on-one check-ins.
- **Parent Nights / Family Engagement:** Use communication templates and FAQs to help families understand the ACT process.
- **Professional Learning:** Leverage counselor-specific webinars, quick clips, and success stories for ongoing development.
- **Schoolwide Support:** Print or link to toolkits for teachers and administrators to ensure consistent messaging.
- **College & Career Readiness Events:** Highlight ACT data and planning tools as part of your school's CCR strategy.
- **Time-Saver:** Bookmark the Toolkit as your first stop—no more searching across multiple pages.

# District Communication Toolkit



- **Streamline Your School Day Testing Communications**
- **Prewritten Messaging:** Access ready-to-use emails, flyers, and posters to announce and promote ACT testing during the school day.
- **Engagement Resources:** Utilize social media posts and graphics to keep students and families informed and engaged.
- **Preparation Tools:** Share resources like the ACT Navigator and test prep materials to help students prepare effectively.
- **Campaign Timeline:** Follow a suggested checklist with tactics aligned to key milestones leading up to the test date.

# Practice Tests and Prep Tools

- Free full-length ACT practice tests available online and in print.
- ACT QuizMe: mobile app with daily questions and instant feedback.
- Preparing for the ACT
- Kaplan online prep course available free with fee waivers.



## FREE ACT PRACTICE RESOURCES



**PREPARING FOR THE ACT?  
WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED!**

Check out these free practice tests, videos, and study guides to help you feel confident on test day. Click the links below to access each resource instantly!

### PRACTICE TESTS, GUIDES, AND VIDEO RESOURCES:

<a href="#">Full-length online practice test that incorporates the upcoming enhancements</a>	<a href="#">NEW: Preparing for the ACT Test Guide   2025-2026 (pdf)</a>	<a href="#">Preparing for the ACT Test Guide   2024-2025 (pdf)</a>
<a href="#">Preparación para el examen ACT   2024-2025 (pdf)</a>	<a href="#">Preparing for the ACT Test Guide   2020-2021 Practice Test (pdf)</a>	<a href="#">PreACT Secure Practice Test Booklet and Answer Document (pdf)</a>
<a href="#">ACT Math Free ACT Prep Sample Class (video)</a>	<a href="#">ACT Reading Free ACT Prep Sample Class (video)</a>	<a href="#">ACT Science Free ACT Prep Sample Class (video)</a>
<a href="#">ACT English Free ACT Prep Sample Class (video)</a>	<a href="#">Student Advice on Taking the ACT (video)</a>	<a href="#">Student Views on ACT Test Prep (video)</a>
<a href="#">How to Prepare for Taking a Test (video)</a>	<a href="#">Practical Resources, Tools, and Tips to Help You Prepare for the ACT (video)</a>	<a href="#">How Can the ACT Test Help Me? (video)</a>



Scan the QR code for a digital version of this resource!

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# QuizMe



## Get your game on with ACT section practice questions!

Engage your students with QuizMe, ACT practice quizzes in math, English, reading, and science in a game-like format.

- Updated for the enhanced ACT.
- Answer key provided at the end of the quiz!
- <https://quizme.act.org>

# Free Test Prep Resources – ACT Test

- Full-length practice tests for the enhanced ACT and sample questions.
- [MyACT](#)- You can access free online practice tests and other test prep materials through MyACT.
- Full length test in the [Preparing the ACT guide](#).
- New! Quiz Me gamified test-prep questions.



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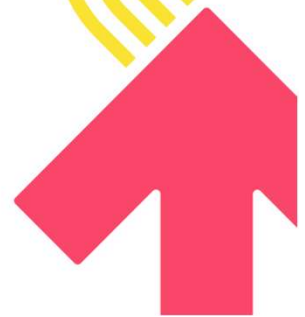
## Preparing for the ACT® Test

### What's Inside

- Full-length practice ACT test, including the optional Science and Writing test
- Information about the multiple-choice and writing sections
- Test-taking strategies
- What to expect on test day

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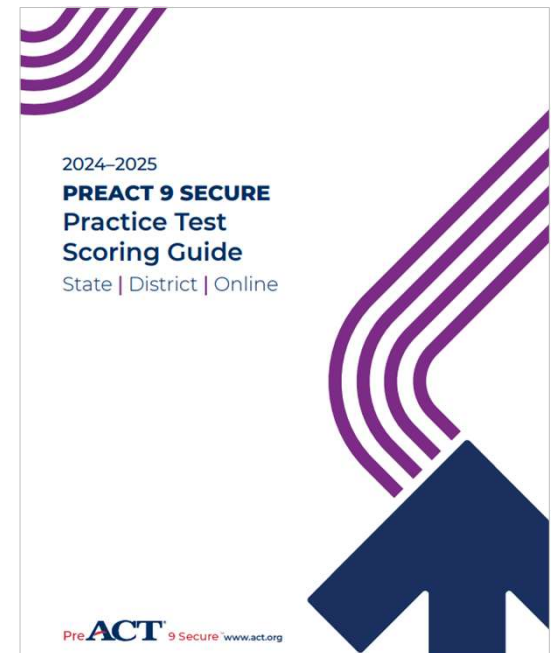
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# Free Test Prep Resources – PreACT Assessments

- PreACT Free Test Prep
  - [Preparing for the PreACT Secure Guide](#)
  - [PreACT Secure Online Practice Test](#)
  - [Online Practice Test Scoring Key](#)
  - [Preparing for the PreACT 9 Secure Test Guide](#)
  - [PreACT 9 Secure Practice Test](#)



# Webinars and Events

[ACT College and Career Readiness Workshops](#)



[Schedule a 1:1 Meeting with the ACT Counselor Outreach Team](#)



[My Journey Events](#)



[How to Create a College and Career Readiness Day](#)



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