

ACT and SAT Test Preparation



Where do I begin?

The Guidance Department often gets many questions about test preparation for standardized college entrance exams, the ACT and the SAT. Research from these companies continuously demonstrate the benefits of taking longer-term, college preparatory course work throughout high school as the best indicator of success. Specifically, the largest increases were those associated with additional mathematics coursework over and above the recommended core curriculum. (ACT College and Career Readiness Workshops Manual, 2013)

There are many short-term test preparation commercial test preparation courses and test preparation workshops offered in Columbus. We suggest speaking with parents who have already been through the college admissions process, especially those who have used various services such as ACT/SAT tutors. It is a district policy that we do not endorse any specific product or service.

On a different note, it is important to remember that test scores are a part of the total applicant profile, and, at most institutions, test scores alone do not exclude a student from admission, nor do scores alone guarantee admission.

Free Resources

Collegeboard (AP, PSAT, SAT)

www.collegeboard.com

- ★ Question of the Day
- ★ Practice Tests
- ★ Sample Practice Questions

Khan Academy (SAT Preparation)

[Free SAT Test Prep](#)

ACT

www.actstudent.org

- ★ Question of the Day
- ★ Practice Tests
- ★ ACT Online Preparation

Freetestprep.com

This terrific site will provide great resources for the ACT and SAT. There are practice questions, practice tests, and even flash cards that will help with the testing. Video explanations assist you with questions that you have missed. This site is user friendly and it is free!

<http://www.freetestprep.com/>

Public Libraries/Bookstores

Offers a variety of manuals and test prep guide books, as well as computer programs

Free Vocabulary Building Resources

www.freerice.com

www.quizlet.com

Access to Dublin City Schools Free ACT Test Prep

ACT English, Reading and ACT Writing:

How to Create a Schoology Account:

- ★ go to [schoology.com](https://www.schoology.com)
- ★ click on “sign in”
- ★ select student
- ★ enter access code: 5PG8W-B6S26
- ★ fill in personal information (use your accurate email and use email NOT username) and select “register”

Already using Schoology?

- ★ click on “Courses” and then select “Join”
- ★ enter the access code: 5PG8W-B6S26

Questions? Email kucinski_steve@dublinschools.net

Math

You will need to use Moodle.

- ★ Go to <https://hsonline.dublinschools.net>
- ★ Sign in using your district username and password
- ★ Select Test Prep, then find ACT/SAT PREP (Amy Kowatch)
- ★ Enrollment key: act#1

Questions? Email kowatch_amy@dublinschools.net

Science

You will need to use Moodle.

- ★ Go to <https://hsonline.dublinschools.net>
- ★ Sign in using your district username and password
- ★ Select Test Prep, then find Science ACT Prep (Gardner Watkins)
- ★ Enrollment key: science

Questions? Email watkins_gardner@dublinschools.net

Once you access the above sites, you will find materials, handouts, samples, screencasts, and all of the content that you would normally receive in previous classroom prep sessions offered by the district.

After viewing all of the online materials, if you would like to follow up in person with the instructor, see details for times, dates, and locations within the prep sites above.