



Important information for Juniors regarding the ACT- ***Please review this entire document before registering.***

As juniors receive their ACT scores there are always questions. What score is a good score? Could I do better if I retake the test? How do I know if I should retest? When school is in session, we as counselors spend time fielding these questions in the junior classes and meet with students individually to discuss options.

Since this school year looks a bit different we have developed this document to walk you through how you can create and link your ACT account as well as the common questions we usually address with students. **Please spend some time looking at your individual score report, research admission criteria for schools or programs you may be interested in, and consider if taking the test again is the right choice for YOU.** Remember that colleges typically use a holistic review when reviewing your application. Which basically means that they look at your entire application which includes: grades & courses taken, extracurricular activities, essays, and ACT scores.

We also want to remind you that this is one snapshot in time and you are more than just one test score. We encourage all students to reflect on where you are in regards to the holistic or comprehensive look at your abilities. Do you need to do some additional preparation for a test area or do you need to find ways to strengthen your resume through community service, or be able to elaborate more about your learning in your application essay.

If you have any further questions, please contact Mr. Lybert or Mrs. Kamm-Peissig.

How to create an ACT Account after taking the state required Junior ACT exam:

Step 1: In order to retake the ACT, a student must create an online account through ACT.

[ACT Registration Site](#)

Have your ACT score report with your ACT ID number & and a form of payment (credit card). Be prepared the online registration process takes 40 min or more.

2019-2020 Test Dates (National) Due to Covid 19 these could change:

Test Date	Registration Deadline	(Late Fee Required)
June 13, 2020 <small>test offered at MASH</small>	May 8, 2020	May 9-22, 2020
September 12, 2020	August 14	August 15 -August 28
October 24, 2020 <small>test offered at MASH</small>	September 18	September 19 - October 2
December 12, 2020	November 6	November 7 - November 20
February 6, 2021	January 8	January 9 - January 15

[ACT Registration Site](#)

Step 2: Click "Register for the ACT"





Step 3:

Click "Create US Account"



Your ACT Web Account

<p> Will you test in the US? This includes Puerto Rico & US Territories</p> <p>Create US Account</p>	<p>Already have an account?</p> <p>User ID <input type="text"/> Forgot User ID?</p> <p>Password <input type="text"/> Forgot password?</p> <p>Sign In</p> <p>Frequently Asked Questions about user ID and password</p> <p>Helpful Hints about Browser Settings</p>
<p> Will you test outside the US? This includes Canada & overseas US military bases.</p> <p>Create Non-US Account</p>	

Use your full legal name and the email you provided when you registered at MASH.

The ACT[®]

Create a New Account

Create Your Web Account

Fields marked with an asterisk * are required. [Information for Parents](#)

Please enter the name you provided to ACT when you registered or tested before. [Tested before September 2007?](#)

* Student's First Name Middle Initial

* Last Name

* Date of Birth Month / Day /

* Email Address

* Confirm Email Address

[How will your email be used?](#)

Answer "YES" to both questions

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Create Your Web Account

Fields marked with an asterisk * are required.

* Have you registered for the ACT before? Yes No

* Have you taken the ACT before? Yes No

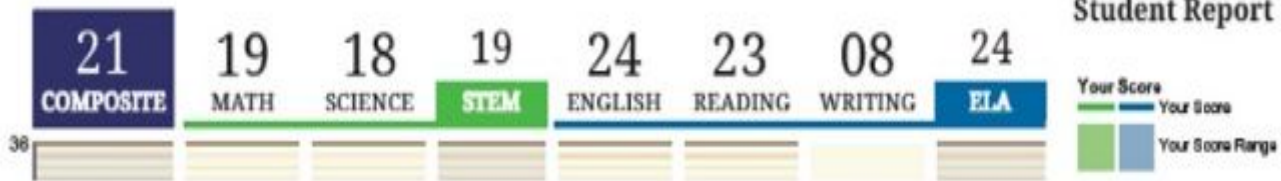
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This is a critical step to link your accounts. Enter your ACT ID. It's found on the top of your score report as shown below.

The ACT logo is at the top left. Below it is a button labeled "Create a New Account". To the right of the button is the heading "Create Your Web Account" in red. Further right is a link "Information for Parents". Below these is a yellow box containing the text: "IMPORTANT: Your Web account can include your previous information ONLY if you provide your ACT ID." Below the yellow box is the text "ACT ID: —" followed by an empty input field and a link "How do I find my ACT ID?". At the bottom center is a teal button labeled "Continue".

ANN C TAYLOR (ACT ID: xxxxxxxx)
WHEAT RIDGE SR HIGH SCHOOL (061-450)
TEST DATE: APRIL 2018



Frequently Asked Questions/FAQ's:

What if I haven't received my scores yet? If you tested without accommodations we would expect that you have received your scores. If you tested with accommodations due to an IEP or 504 those scores will be sent 4-6 weeks after the testing window concludes, that date is March 13. We would anticipate scores in early May.

Can I retake the test?

Yes, to register for a new test date you will need: a computer with internet access, a credit card, high school course details, and a headshot photo and about 45 minutes of time to complete the session.

How much does it cost to retake the test? The ACT can be taken with or without the writing section. Certain schools require and use the writing section differently for a

scholarship or placement decisions. The test without writing is \$52 and with writing is \$68. Late fees are required if a student registers outside the deadline window.

How will colleges look at these scores? College admission decisions are comprehensive and based on several factors. Student's grades, rigor and relevance of courses taken, the ACT scores, student involvement in activities and leadership, as well as admission essays. Colleges are aware and adapting their processes for admission and adjusting timelines to deal with the current situation due to COVID-19. This information continues to evolve.

Will the timeline of my test affect admission to college? Generally, seniors apply to schools in early fall which has made the June test a popular option for students. MASH has been a testing site for this test. At this time, registration is open for the June test and requires an individual student creating an online ACT account by linking their ACT identification number. It is realistic though to consider that the June test may need to be adapted or changed just like the April test.

Can I take certain subjects of the test? ACT had announced that section retesting, superscoring, and faster test results would be launching in September. At this time, they are not providing specifics on what that looks like except they are encouraging you to provide an email to sign up for those options and updates here:

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/act-september-2020.html#email-updates>

Where is the best source of current information about the ACT? ACT is a national testing organization, so the best source of information is their website that is constantly being updated at this time. We are finding that they are dealing with one test date at a time and will continue to communicate directly with the student through the email account they provide when they register for their account. As always, contact your school counselor directly and we are happy to help you with specific questions or steps that are unique to you.

How do I improve my score? Reviewing your score report to determine areas that you can improve on will help you focus your preparation for the next test. You still have access to your E-prep account and ACT provides many resources here

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/covid19.html>

More information

[General FAQ's from the ACT site.](#)

[Covid 19 FAQ's for the ACT](#)