

Why take the **ACT**?

The ACT is a test to show college readiness-levels through academics. Most colleges use this test as a major deciding factor for accepting students.

What does the **ACT** consist of?

ACT Test Details	
Length	3 ½ - 4 hours
Sections	Math; English; Reading; Science; and Writing
Benchmark Score for Each Section	Math (22); English (18); Reading (22); and Science (23)
Composite Score	Each section scored then averaged together (Writing not included)
Scoring	Composite score on a scale from 0-36
No Guessing Penalty	ACT does not take off points for wrong answers
Essay	Write on a complex issue with three different perspectives
Cost of Exam	FREE when taken at HCHS the first time as a Junior, any time after is \$39.50 per test
Structure of test	Less content-based and more interpreting and application (e.g. analyze, compare & contrast, drawing conclusions, problem solving, reasoning)

The ACT English test is a

75-question, 45-minute test that measures your understanding of the conventions of standard English and knowledge of language. 5 essays or passages - edit specific sentences for grammar

Production of Writing (29–32%), Knowledge of Language (13–19%), Conventions of Standard English (51–56%)

The ACT Reading test is a 40-question, 35-minute test that measures your reading comprehension. 4 readings passages- Prose Fiction, Social Science, Humanities, and Natural Science (10 questions per passage.)

**Key Ideas and Details (55-60%)
Craft and Structure (25-30%)
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas (13–18%)**

The ACT Mathematics test is a 60-question, 60-minute test designed to assess the mathematical skills students have typically acquired in courses taken up to the beginning of grade 12.

**Preparing for Higher Math (57–60%)
Number & Quantity (7-10%), Algebra (12–15%)
Functions (12-15%), Modeling (>25%)
Geometry (12–15%), Statistics & Probability (8–12%)
Integrating Essential Skills (40–43%)**

The ACT Science test is a 40-question, 35-minute test that measures the interpretation, analysis, evaluation, reasoning, and problem-solving skills required in the natural sciences

Interpretation of Data (45–55%), Scientific Investigation (20–30%), Evaluation of Models, Inferences, Experimental Results (25%-35%)

The ACT Writing test is a 40-minute essay test. The test describes an issue and provides three different perspectives on the issue.

Dimensions of Writing - **Ideas and Analysis, Development and Support, Organization, and Language Use and Conventions**

ACT COMPOSITE SCORES

School Name	Range
<i>Appalachian State</i>	23-28
<i>East Carolina</i>	21-24
<i>Elizabeth City State</i>	17-19
<i>Fayetteville State</i>	17-20
<i>NC A& T State</i>	17-21
<i>NC Central</i>	17-20
<i>NC State</i>	26-31
<i>UNC Asheville</i>	23-28
<i>UNC Chapel Hill</i>	28-33
<i>UNC Charlotte</i>	22-25
<i>UNC Greensboro</i>	20-25
<i>UNC Pembroke</i>	18-22
<i>UNC School of Arts</i>	21-27
<i>UNC Wilmington</i>	23-27
<i>Western Carolina</i>	20-24
<i>Winston Salem State</i>	17-19

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**All Hoke County High School
Juniors will take the ACT.**



**There will be an ACT Prep session
on _____ in the HCHS Media
Center, from 9:00 - 12:00.**

