

James F. Byrnes High School students are College and Career Ready:
I'm going to a four-year college!



South Carolina



I will take the SAT college admission exam.

The SAT is a 154-question multiple-choice test with three sections plus an optional essay and costs \$53 or \$68 with essay.

This test is timed and takes 3 hours (plus 50 minute optional essay).

I will take the ACT college admission exam.

The ACT is a 215-question multiple-choice test with four sections plus an optional essay and costs \$55 or \$70 with essay.

This test is timed and takes 2 hours and 55 minutes (plus 40 minute optional essay).

There is no penalty for guessing on either SAT or ACT.

About SAT

Reading Test 65 minutes and 52 questions

Writing and Language Test 35 minutes and 44 questions

Math Test 80 minutes and 58 questions

SAT Essay 50 minutes and 1 prompt

Sample test questions can be found online here:

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat>

About ACT

English Test 45 minutes and 75 questions

Math Test 60 minutes and 60 questions

Reading Test 35 minutes and 40 questions

Science Test 35 minutes and 40 questions

ACT Essay 40 minutes and 1 prompt

Sample test questions can be found online here:

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act.html>

Preparing for SAT and/or ACT

The best way to prepare for four-year college-entrance exams is to take academically rigorous courses in both middle school and high school.

How do I prep for an upcoming college-entrance exam? PRACTICE!!
It is best to take a full-length practice exam before you take the real SAT or ACT.

Free Online Practice: Sign up for free online prep.

www.collegeboard.org for SAT

www.act.org for ACT

Sample Questions: Download and practice free sample questions and essays.
Also, ALL Byrnes High School students have access to both SAT and ACT test prep in:
USA TestPrep, DISCUS, CollegeBoard/Khan Academy website, ACT website
See your guidance counselor for log-in information to get started today!

Taking SAT and/or ACT

Students should register in advance using the SAT or ACT website(s).
**=Both SAT and ACT are available in-person on the campus of Byrnes High School during the school-day. These are FREE to 11th graders who are four-year college-bound and who register with their guidance counselor by the deadline.*

SAT Testing Dates

August 29, 2020 (register by 7/31)

September 26, 2020 (register by 8/26)

October 3, 2020 (register by 9/4)

November 7, 2020 (register by 10/7)

December 5, 2020 (register by 11/5)

*school-day MARCH 3, 2021—see your counselor to register**

March 13, 2021 (register by 2/12)

May 8, 2021 (register by 4/8)

June 5, 2021 (register by 5/6)

ACT Testing Dates

September 12, 13, 19, 2020 (register by 8/31)

October 10, 17, 24, 25, 2020 (register by 10/5)

December 12, 2020 (register by 11/20)

February 6, 2021 (register by 1/8)

*school-day FEBRUARY 23, 2021—see your counselor to register**

April 17, 2021 (register by 3/12)

June 12, 2021 (register by 5/7)

July 17, 2021 (register by 6/18)