

# Information on Admission Testing

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## Which test do I take?

- Many colleges require student to take entrance examinations.
- Most colleges require the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT). Some selective colleges also require that students take 2-3 SAT Subject tests (usually math 2C, and 1-2 of your choice).

## When do I take the test?

- Most students take the SAT Reasoning Test for the first time during spring of their junior year, after taking the PSAT the previous fall.
- There are several test dates during the year. Check dates and sign up at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) (SAT) or [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) (ACT).
- There are separate test dates for the SAT, SAT Subject tests and the ACT. The test dates for the SAT Reasoning and SAT Subject tests are the same (although you don't take them the same day).
- Taking the May SAT Reasoning test is a good idea for those juniors who want to retake it in the fall.
- SAT Subject tests should be taken at the conclusion of the preparatory class, whether in January or June (example: after completion of AP US History).
- In the fall of senior year, seniors usually have three test dates from which to choose for both the SAT program and ACT programs.

## How are the tests used?

- The Oregon University System (OSU, UO, SOU, OIT, PSU, WOU, and EOU) uses testing information for placement purposes, academic scholarships, and for alternate admissions, if necessary.

## How do I register?

- Students can register by mail or online. Materials are located in the Career Center. Registration deadlines are about a month before the test date.
- SAT tests: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)
- ACT test: [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)