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## Remember

TEST	TEST DATE	REGISTER
SAT & Subject Tests	January 23*	December 15
SAT only	March 13	February 4
SAT & Subject Tests	May 1*	March 25
SAT & Subject Tests	June 5	April 29
ACT**	February 6	January 5
ACT**	April 10*	March 5
PSAE**	April 28	
ACT**	June 12*	May 7

Registration forms for the tests are available in the guidance department of every high school. Registration is also available on-line at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) or [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com).

\* Question and Answer Service: Students may order test booklets and answers from ACT or SAT for these dates only.

\*\* Includes Writing option

### Important Test Information For Juniors

#### ACT and SAT

The ACT is a curriculum-based achievement test which assesses a high school student's general educational development and ability to complete college-level work. This multiple-choice test covers four skill areas: English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science Reasoning. ACT also offers an optional 30-minute Writing Test used to measure skill in planning and writing a short essay.

The SAT is a reasoning test that assesses student reasoning based on knowledge and skills developed by the student in school course work. Students are tested in three subject areas: Writing, Mathematics, and Critical Reading. The Writing section includes both multiple-choice questions and a direct writing

measure in the form of a 25-minute essay. The Critical Reading section measures a student's ability to read and think carefully about several different reading passages. Passages are taken from a variety of fields including the humanities, social studies, natural sciences, and literary fiction. The Mathematics section includes topics such as number and operations, algebra and functions, geometry, statistics, probability, and data analysis. Both the SAT web site ([www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)) and the ACT web site ([www.act.org](http://www.act.org)) have up-to-date lists of colleges that recommend or require a writing sample.

#### Testing Dates

The most popular test dates for juniors are April 10 for the ACT and May 1 for the SAT. In addition, the Illinois State Board of Education administers the ACT as part of the Prairie State Achievement Examina-

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## ACT Description

### Type of Test

**Achievement:** measures knowledge and skills learned in high school

### Duration

3 hours plus optional 30-minute Writing Test

### Score Range

English	0-36
Mathematics	0-36
Reading	0-36
Science Reasoning	0-36
Composite	0-36
English/Writing	0-36

### Content

- One 45-minute English section covering standard written English and rhetorical skills including 75 multiple-choice questions
- One 60-minute Mathematics section covers mathematical skills acquired in courses taken up to the beginning of grade 12 including 60 multiple-choice questions
- One 35-minute Reading section covering reading comprehension including 40 multiple-choice questions
- One 35-minute Science section covering interpretation, analysis, evaluation, reasoning, and problem-solving skills required in the natural sciences including 40 multiple-choice questions
- One optional 30-minute Writing test covering writing skills emphasized in high school English classes and in entry-level college composition courses—includes one writing prompt

### Scoring

No penalty for wrong answer; guessing is encouraged

### Reporting of Scores

ACT allows choice of which test scores to submit to colleges

## New Trier High School ACT Review Course

New Trier High School students will have the option of enrolling in an ACT Review Course and/or SAT Workshop that will be held on the Northfield campus. The on-campus class is open to New Trier students only and limited to 20 students per section. The ACT Review Course is offered for \$350 per student; the SAT Workshop is offered for \$150 per student. New Trier will send information about schedules and registration in December.

### ACT/SAT Combination Review Course *April 10 or April 28 ACT & May 1 SAT* Held at Winnetka Community House, 620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka

#### Cost: \$650

This review course is designed to help students prepare for both tests in sequence. Those who choose this twelve-week review will complete ACT preparation in the first eight weeks and continue with a three-week SAT Workshop. Class size is limited to 8 students to ensure individual attention.

Sunday Afternoons	<i>no class March 7, 28 &amp; April 4</i>	Course Code: Combo-1
Pre-test (ACT)	January 24	1:00 – 4:00 pm
Classes	January 31; February 7, 14, 21 & 28	1:00 – 4:30 pm
Post-test	March 14	1:00 – 4:00 pm
Diagnostic Review	March 21	1:00 – 3:00 pm
ACT Writing Workshop	March 21	3:00 – 4:30 pm
SAT Review	April 11, 18 & 25	1:00 – 4:30 pm

### ACT Review Course *April 10 or April 28 (PSAE) Test Date*

#### Cost: \$550 for both Math and Verbal \$350 for either Math or Verbal

The ACT is becoming the entrance exam of choice for many schools. Our ACT Review Course provides intensive preparation for all elements of the test: English, reading comprehension, math, and science. An ACT Writing Workshop is offered as part of the course for students who opt to take the Writing Test.

The course includes:

- Class size limited to 8 students to ensure individual attention
- Diagnostic ACT pre-test to analyze each student's strengths and weaknesses
- 19 hours class instruction over a seven-week period by two certified, experienced teachers
- Strategy-oriented practice on real ACT's as well as Center-generated worksheets
- ACT post-test to measure progress
- Diagnostic review of the post-test results with the instructors

### Saturday Morning

*no class February 13*

#### Held at One-to-One Learning Center, 778 Frontage Road, Suite 108, Northfield

Pre-test	January 23	9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Classes	Jan. 30, Feb. 6, 20, 27 & Mar. 6	9:00 am – 12:30 pm
Post-test	March 13	9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Diagnostic Review	March 20	9:00 – 11:00 am
ACT Writing Workshop	March 20	11:00 am – 12:30 pm

#### Course Code: ACT-1

### Sunday Afternoon

*no class March 7*

#### Held at Winnetka Community House, 620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka

Pre-test	January 24	1:00 – 4:00 pm
Classes	Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21 & 28	1:00 – 4:30 pm
Post-test	March 14	1:00 – 4:30 pm
Diagnostic Review	March 21	1:00 – 3:00 pm
ACT Writing Workshop	March 21	3:00 – 4:30 pm

#### Course Code: ACT-2

### Monday Evening Math Review

no class February 15

Held at One-to-One Learning Center, 778 Frontage Road, Suite 108, Northfield

Pre-test	January 25	6:00 – 9:00 pm
Classes	February 1, 8 & 22	
	March 1 & 8	7:00 – 8:45 pm
Post-test	Wednesday, March 10	6:00 – 9:00 pm
Diagnostic Review	March 15	7:00 – 8:00 pm

Course Code: ACT-3

### Wednesday Evening Verbal Review

Held at One-to-One Learning Center, 778 Frontage Road, Suite 108, Northfield

Pre-test	Monday, January 25	6:00 – 9:00 pm
Classes	February 3, 10, 17 & 24	
	March 3	7:00 – 8:45 pm
Post-test	March 10	6:00 – 9:00 pm
Diagnostic Review	March 17	6:00 – 7:00 pm
ACT Writing Workshop	March 17	7:00 – 8:45 pm

Course Code: ACT-4

### ACT Review Course *June 12 Test Date*

no class May 30

Held at One-to-One Learning Center, 778 Frontage Road, Suite 108, Northfield

Cost: \$550.00

### Sunday Afternoon

Pre-test	April 11	1:00 – 4:00 pm
Classes	April 18 & 25;	
	May 2, 9 & 16	1:00 – 4:30 pm
Post-test	May 23	1:00 – 4:00 pm
Diagnostic Review	June 6	1:00 – 3:00 pm
ACT Writing Workshop	June 6	3:00 – 4:30 pm

Course Code: ACT-5

### SAT Review *January 23, March 13, May 1 & June 5 Test Dates*

One-to-One Learning Center offers individual tutorials for students preparing for the SAT. The intensive six-week program includes 12 hours of instruction by two experienced teachers and strategy-oriented practice on the three elements of the test: critical reading, writing and math. Call Amy Berland for information (847.501.3300).

### SAT Description

#### Type of Test

**Critical reasoning:** measures understanding and use of new information

#### Duration

3 hours 45 minutes

#### Score Range

Writing 200-800

Mathematics 200-800

Critical Reading 200-800

#### Content

- One 60-minute Writing section covering grammar, usage, and word choice including multiple-choice questions (35 min.) and a student-written essay (25 min.)
- Two 25-minute and one 20-minute reading section covering critical reading and sentence-level reading including reading comprehension, sentence completions, and paragraph-length critical reading
- Two 25-minute and one 20-minute Mathematics sections covering number and operations; algebra and functions; geometry; statistics, probability, and data analysis including five-choice multiple-choice questions and student-produced responses

#### Scoring

Emphasis on strategy due to guessing penalty

#### Reporting of Scores

College Board sends colleges scores from every SAT and SAT subject test taken

### One-To-One Learning Center Test Preparation Registration Form

778 Frontage Road, Suite 108, Northfield, IL 60093-1209 Telephone 847.501.3300 Fax 847.501.3308

Register on-line at [www.one-to-one.org](http://www.one-to-one.org) (Pay on-line) or by completing the mail-in form below. Registrations may also be made over the telephone with a credit card, or by fax. Classes are filled on a first-come, first-served basis with a minimum of four students per class. A full refund is available for cancellations made five days before the pre-test.

STUDENT NAME _____		PARENT NAME _____	
ADDRESS _____			
CITY _____	STATE _____	ZIP _____	
HOME PHONE _____	WORK PHONE _____	E-MAIL _____	
<b>COURSE NAME</b> _____	<b>COURSE CODE</b> _____	<b>TUITION</b> _____	
<input type="radio"/> Check is enclosed      Please charge my <input type="radio"/> Visa <input type="radio"/> MasterCard			
CREDIT CARD NO. _____	EXP. DATE _____	SECURITY CODE _____	SIGNATURE _____

## Individual Consultations

Held at One-To-One Learning Center Date: January 9  
Cost: \$90 Fully applicable to any ACT or SAT course or tutorial.  
To make a consultation appointment, please call the Center at 847.501.3300.

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tion. Public high school students will take the ACT portion of the Prairie State on April 28 during school hours. This is a full-scale ACT with the Writing Test and is administered according to ACT guidelines including those governing special accommodations testing. Students may use these scores for college admissions and scholarships, and for the NCAA as a qualifier for Division I athletic eligibility. Preparation for the April 10 national test date through an ACT class or tutorial will also prime students for the April 28 exam.

## Tutorials

### ACT and SAT

One-to-One Learning Center offers ACT and SAT preparation through individual tutorials and classes. The individual approach allows us to tailor the presentation to the specific needs of each student. Tutorials are particularly appropriate for students who wish to concentrate on only one area of the ACT; students who have accommodations such as extended time; and students with complicated extracurricular schedules such as athletes, participants in performing arts, or those with

Parents and students who would like to discuss the ACT/SAT test-taking process in more detail may schedule a private 45-minute assessment session. During the session, we will profile each student as a test-taker and then map out the best approach for him or her: a) which test to take; b) when to take it and; c) how best to prepare for it.

part-time jobs. Tutorials meet for two one-hour sessions per week (one math, one verbal). The recommended program is twelve sessions which can be scheduled at the student's convenience.

### SAT Subject Tests

Selective colleges and universities may require applicants to take two or three SAT subject tests. These one-hour exams are curriculum-based achievement tests that cover a variety of topics including math, science, literature, and foreign language. Students can take one, two, or three tests per test date.

When should the student take these tests? It makes sense for juniors (and academically strong sophomores) who are completing a major course, such as science or history, to take that test on June 5 while the material is still fresh in their minds. Tutorials are available for a number of subjects. These should be scheduled two to three weeks before the test.

*Experienced, certified instructors teach all tutorials and classes.  
Tutorial costs: \$90 per hour plus a \$50 materials fee*

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