Enhancements to ACT® test reporting (2016–2017)

Students need a better understanding of their college and career readiness to truly prepare for life's next steps.

That's why ACT is enhancing the score reporting on the ACT test, providing more powerful data about college and career readiness and a new visual treatment designed for easier readability and interpretation. The redesign is the result of feedback from thousands of students, parents, and educators.

New reporting categories and the ACT Readiness Range

ACT will continue to report English, mathematics, reading, and science subject scores, but subscores will not be reported. Instead, the score report will provide more detailed information about skills in each subject. This includes the ACT Readiness Ranges, which helps students compare their performance in each performing category to the performance of students who have met the ACT College Readiness Benchmark in that subject, making it easier for the student to understand which academic areas require additional assistance.

Updated college and career planning

The Interest-Major Fit level indicates whether students' interests fit their planned college major—an important factor because ACT research shows that interest-major fit affects the likelihood that a student will persist in a college major and graduate on time.

The Career Connector is a simplified version of the ACT Career Map. It visually displays students' work-relevant interests, along with occupation examples that involve the work tasks they enjoy, according to input they provide on the ACT Interest Inventory.
ACT STEM College Readiness Benchmark

The ACT is uniquely qualified to provide students with insights concerning their readiness for STEM-related college coursework. Meeting the ACT STEM College Readiness Benchmark relates to the likelihood of succeeding and persisting in STEM-related college majors.

Learn more about these enhancements to ACT reporting, support resources, and training opportunities at www.act.org/theact/enhancements.