

# The ACT® District Testing

Each year, state and local administrators from across the country tell ACT they have students who decide to go to college after receiving their ACT scores thanks to district testing.

The ACT® test, a curriculum-based educational and career planning tool, is the **leading college readiness assessment** in the United States. As the capstone of our college and career readiness solutions, the ACT is based on what students learn in high school.



Did you know that your district can offer an "official" test administration of the ACT at schools during regular school hours on a weekday? Since 2007, students in more than 47 states have earned college-reportable scores taking the ACT in their own classrooms through ACT State and District testing.

Participating in ACT District testing provides your students with the opportunity to assess their academic skills and level of college readiness in a familiar environment. Having all students participate **raises college awareness and exposure among all students**, rather than only self-selected, college-bound students. For some students, the experience may help them realize they have the skills to perform college-level coursework.

### There are many benefits to ACT District testing, including:

#### Benefits to your district:

- Establish baseline information on student performance
- Provide students who are English Learners the ability to accurately reflect what they have learned in school
- Receive information on all of your students' academic achievement and college readiness levels to establish a baseline for future comparison
- Use online data to make informed curriculum decisions and intervention strategies and to advise students
- Rely on 60 years of research aligned to ACT College and Career Readiness Standards

"Before the ACT, different methods to foster student growth and readiness for college were just shots in the dark."

#### **Greg Upham**

Assistant Superintendent Helena Public School District, Montana



- Reduce stress levels by providing a familiar testing environment on a regular school day
- Grant an opportunity to demonstrate what they've learned in their high school courses
- Eliminate potential transportation concerns for traveling to a test site on the weekend
- Contribute personalized information to explore future college and career decisions based on their strengths, weaknesses, and interests
- Use their scores to apply for financial aid and scholarships
- Allow for college admissions and scholarship opportunities should students choose to share their information

#### Ready to Get Started?



## Choose Your Test Date Option(s)

ACT offers four test date options—one testing window in the fall and three testing windows in the spring.\*

\*Your district may participate in both fall and one spring ACT test date or choose to participate in only fall or only one spring test date.



#### **Test Options**

Two test options are available with paper or onlinedelivery—the ACT or the ACT with writing.



#### Contact Your ACT Account Manager

Learn more about sign up deadlines and pricing.

