



## Developing a Testing Plan

Jesuit offers practice opportunities for the SAT and ACT. Students should review and compare all results to develop a testing plan for college admission no later than winter of junior year. Information and advice on testing are provided at various student and family presentations throughout the school year. Please review the information below and reach out to your counselor at Jesuit if you have any questions.

### CHOOSING A TEST

Students should use [Concordance Tools](#) to compare their practice test scores and determine which test is the best fit based on performance. If your scores are similar, review upcoming test dates to determine if the SAT or ACT fits better into your schedule (being mindful of co-curricular and academic commitments) *and* reflect on which test felt more comfortable to you.

### CONSIDERATIONS

- Students should take the SAT or ACT when they are *most prepared*. This means that the ideal time to test will be different for each student, based on what test date(s) work with their schedule (don't forget co-curricular, personal, and academic commitments), test prep engagement, and academic preparedness.
- Both the SAT and ACT offer multiple test dates throughout the year (including summer). Students at Jesuit typically take the SAT or ACT between February of junior year and December of senior year. Those that want to improve their scores might retest 1-2 more times.
- Students: talk to your counselor at Jesuit if you have questions about when to test based on your schedule and academic readiness.
- In 2020, many colleges adopted a temporary or permanent test optional or test blind policy for the class of '21 and beyond. FairTest.org [FairTest.org](#) and [Compass Education Group](#) both provide up-to-date and comprehensive information, along with free resources, related these policies and evolving landscape of the college admissions process.

<p><b>Resources</b>  <a href="#">Compass Guide to Testing</a>  <a href="#">Score Concordance Tools</a>  <a href="#">Compass Resource Center</a></p>	<p><b>SAT Dates &amp; Registration</b>  <a href="http://www.collegeboard.org">www.collegeboard.org</a></p> <p><b>ACT Dates &amp; Registration</b>  <a href="http://www.act.org">www.act.org</a></p>	<p><b>Free SAT &amp; PSAT Test Prep</b>  <a href="http://www.collegeboard.org">www.collegeboard.org</a></p> <p><b>Free ACT Test Prep</b>  <a href="http://www.act.org">www.act.org</a></p>
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*a list of test prep resources, classes, and tutors is available in the Counseling Center, upon request*