

# POST-SECONDARY PLANNING INFORMATION

It is recommended that juniors take the PSAT in October and the ACT and SAT in the spring. Seniors should retake the test with the higher score (ACT or SAT) in the fall or repeat both tests.

School/CEEB Code- 460108

\*\*\*Please go to the testing websites to verify dates and deadlines\*\*\*

## 2025-2026 SAT Test Dates

Test Date	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	Late Deadline
▶▶ August 23	AUGUST 8	August 12
▶▶ September 13	AUGUST 29	September 2
▶▶ October 4	SEPTEMBER 19	September 23
▶▶ November 8	OCTOBER 24	October 28
December 6	NOVEMBER 21	November 25
■ March 14	FEBRUARY 27	March 3
■ May 2	APRIL 17	April 21
■ June 6	MAY 22	May 26

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## 2025-2026 ACT Test Dates

Test Date	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	Late Deadline
▶▶ September 6	AUGUST 1	August 19
▶▶ October 18	SEPTEMBER 12	September 30
December 13	NOVEMBER 7	November 24
February 14	JANUARY 9	January 23
■ April 11	MARCH 6	March 24
■ June 13	MAY 8	May 29
■ July 11	JUNE 5	June 24

SIGN UP AT [WWW.ACTSTUDENT.ORG](http://WWW.ACTSTUDENT.ORG) (ACT PLUS WRITING IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED)

▶▶ DATES RECOMMENDED FOR SENIORS

■ DATES RECOMMENDED FOR JUNIORS

**\*\*\*\*\* IF YOU QUALIFY FOR FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH, YOU WILL LIKELY HAVE A FEE WAIVER WAITING ON YOUR COLLEGE BOARD ACCOUNT IF YOU TOOK THE PSAT. OTHERWISE, CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR FOR A FEE WAIVER.**

**\*\*\*\*IF NEITHER OF YOUR PARENTS/GUARDIANS GRADUATED FROM A FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR VSAC SERVICES AND WAIVERS...SEE YOUR COUNSELOR FOR MORE INFO \*\*\*\*\***

### SAT/ACT PREPARATION

- Bookstores have test preparation materials
- Test prep books can be borrowed from both the CHS and Burnham libraries
- Colchester Parks and Recreation sometimes offers an SAT Bootcamp
- Burnham Library sometimes offers FREE SAT and ACT Practice tests through Kaplan
- [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) (Free practice tests and resources through Kahn Academy)

- [www.number2.com](http://www.number2.com) (Free Online Test Prep)
- <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice> (SAT Site—practice Questions & more)
- [www.freerice.com](http://www.freerice.com) (Vocabulary Game - Can help study for verbal sections of tests)
- [www.fairtest.org](http://www.fairtest.org) (website that lists schools that do not require the SAT or ACT)
- <https://www.learningexpresshub.com/ProductEngine/LELIndex.html#/learningexpresslibrary/libraryhome>
- There are private companies that offer SAT and ACT preparatory courses for a fee

## **STEP 2: DO A SEARCH FOR CAREER PATHS/MAJORS/SCHOLARSHIPS**

List 3 potential career paths or majors that interested you during your search

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

### **COLLEGE AND CAREER SEARCH WEBSITES**

- [SCOIR](#)
- [www.PrincetonReview.com](http://www.PrincetonReview.com) (College Search)
- [www.Petersons.com](http://www.Petersons.com) (College Search)
- [www.CollegeBoard.org](http://www.CollegeBoard.org) (College Search)
- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/how-find-your-college-fit>
- [www.VSAC.org](http://www.VSAC.org)
- [www.BLS.gov/ooH](http://www.BLS.gov/ooH) (Occupational Outlook Handbook)
- [www.fairtest.org/optstate.html](http://www.fairtest.org/optstate.html) (SAT/ACT Optional Schools)
- [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org) (The Common Application)
- [Vermont Department of Labor](#) (Search for jobs and Apprenticeships in Vermont)
- [CHS Website](#) has MANY resources for financial aid, scholarships, college and career info, and much more
- There are apps and websites available such as “College Hunch”, “College Navigator” , “Niche” and many more

## **STEP 3: RESEARCH COLLEGES OR OTHER PATHS**

Use resources above to come up with at least three specific possibilities (could be colleges, trade schools, jobs, military options, etc.) If you’re looking at colleges, make sure to have **at least one reach, three good fits, and one safety school** (you can use the “How do I stack up?” feature on the College Board search engine to determine this).

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

## **STEP 4: FROM THE LIST ABOVE, LIST POSSIBILITIES THAT YOU HAVE VISITED/CONTACTED OR PLAN TO VISIT/CONTACT**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

### **COLLEGE VISITS, MILITARY INFORMATION, GAP YEAR AND APPRENTICESHIP AND EMPLOYMENT**

- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/campus-visit-guide> (college visits)
- <http://www.myfuture.com/military/> (Military careers and information)
- <http://labor.vermont.gov> (Employment listings for Vermont, apprenticeship info., building a resume, etc.)
- <https://labor.vermont.gov/apprenticeship> (apprenticeship info)
- For GAP Year info and **so much more**, see our website under:  
<http://www.csdvt.org/chs/guidance/college-and-career-center.php>