

# AN ACT SCORE IS MORE THAN JUST A NUMBER.

IT'S YOUR KEY TO:

## ★ COLLEGE READINESS

Show schools that you are ready for success from day one, better than with just your high school GPA alone.

## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

An ACT score can increase your chances of earning new or better scholarships.

## THE RIGHT CLASSES

Colleges use ACT scores to place you in the right classes at the right level, saving you time and money.

## YOUR DREAM PROGRAM

Certain programs, especially in fields such as engineering or nursing, typically require ACT scores — even if the college is test-optional.



## ★ YOUR COLLEGE APPLICATION IS LIKE A JIGSAW PUZZLE.

With each piece of information — GPA, extracurricular activities, volunteer hours, test scores, awards — you are giving colleges a complete picture of who you are. **If you don't include an ACT score, you're removing part of the picture.**



# TOP QUESTIONS TO ASK COLLEGES WITH TEST-OPTIONAL POLICIES

- ★ How much weight is given to specific components of my application: GPA, test scores (if submitted), course load and rigor of courses taken, letters of recommendation, personal statements/essays, high school profile, portfolios, extracurricular activities, work experience, etc.?
- ★ How are scholarships awarded? Is the process different for students who submit test scores and students who do not submit test scores?
- ★ Without test scores, how do I place in appropriate levels of math, English, world languages, etc.?
- ★ What is your acceptance rate of students who submit test scores compared to non-submitters?
- ★ Is demonstrated interest considered in the admission process? How can I best demonstrate my interest in your school?



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