

# ACT & SAT FACT SHEET

## ACT

Test time: 2 hours, 55 minutes

Tests: Reading, Writing/ Language, Math

Calculator Policy: used only on 1 section

Scoring: Scale of 400-1600

## SAT

Test time: 3 hours

Tests: English, Math, Reading, Science

Calculator Policy: use with no restrictions

Scoring: Scale of 1-36

The best way to decide if taking the ACT or SAT is right for you is to take a timed practice test of each type. Since the content and style of the SAT and ACT are very similar, factors like how you handle time pressure and what types of questions you find most challenging can help you determine which test is a better fit. HCS does offer the PSAT as a practice test for our 10th and 11th grade students in the Fall.

## IMPORTANT NOTE:

Many colleges and universities have stopped requiring the ACT or SAT. Therefore, please make sure you visit the college website for the college you are interested in to review if these tests are needed for admissions consideration. Both Cal State and UC no longer require the ACT or SAT.

## TESTING RESOURCES:

Google/Search:

"Free official SAT & ACT practice tests"

Downloadable Apps:

1. Khan Academy
2. Daily Practice for the new SAT
3. Magoosh ACT flashcards
4. Vocab Genius
5. Math Brain Booster Games