All about the ACT

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2025-2026 National Test Dates

Test Date	Regular Deadline	Late Deadline	Photo Upload Deadline
Sept 6, 2025	Aug 1	Aug 19	Aug 29
Oct 18, 2025	Sep 12	Sep 30	Oct 10
Dec 13, 2025	Nov 7	Nov 24	Dec 5
Feb 14, 2026	Jan 9	Jan 23	Feb 6
Apr 11, 2026	Mar 6	Mar 24	Apr 3
Jun 13, 2026	May 8	May 29	Jun 5
Jul 11, 2026	Jun 5	Jun 24	Jul 3

Test dates -
https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration/test-dates.html

Test Locator -
https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration/test-center-locator.html

Create an account

► Go to https://www.act.org/content/act/en-missouri.html

► Once you're there, click the "Sign In" button at the upper right of the page, then click on the "create account" option.

► Next, set up an online account. You'll need two pieces of information before you create your account: your **social security number** and your **high school code**. The website will walk you through the steps of the process.

► Montrose High School Code: 262-270

► *Note: Be sure to fill in your name just as it appears on your passport, drivers license, or another approved ID that you'll be bringing to the testing center. If the name with which you register does not match your ID, you will not be able to take the test on your scheduled test day.*

Register

- Once you have created your student account, you need to click the "Register" button and proceed through the next several pages. You will answer questions about the following:

  - Personal information like left-hand vs. right-hand (so you get placed in an appropriate testing desk), religious affiliations, parental educational background, and disabilities. Remember, this is all voluntary information.

  - A high school summary, which includes the type of school you attended and courses you've taken. You'll also see questions about extracurricular involvement in high school. It is often helpful for students to obtain a copy of their transcript to answer questions about courses taken and grades earned.

  - Your college plans such as preferences regarding school size, whether or not you plan to enroll full-time, and college interests.

Register

- You will also answer these questions:
  - Your specific testing date and location
  - Where you'd like your score reports to be sent. You can choose up to four colleges with the basic fee, so you'll save money if you have decided where you would like them to go before you register.
  - Intended future college major and career choices.

  Important: You will be asked to upload a current photograph. Try to register on a device that has a camera. Make sure to follow the parameters exactly, or you could be banned from taking the ACT on test day. Both the photograph and the name on your identification are important pieces of information that ACT uses to verify your identity.

Fees

- $72   No writing (covered with a fee waiver)
- $97   With writing (covered with a fee waiver)
- $40   Late registration fee (covered with a fee waiver)
- $48   Changing test date or location fee

Additional testing fees and information-
https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration/fees.html

- Students who are on FREE or REDUCED lunches qualify for a fee waiver. See your counselor for the waiver.

- At the bottom of the page, click "Submit" just once, then print your admission ticket. A confirmation will be sent to the e-mail address that you registered with.
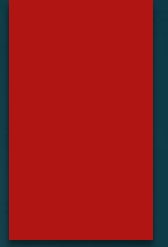
Important: Students are required to bring their printed admission ticket and a photo ID to the testing site.

Prepare

- There are LOTS of different ways to prepare for the ACT, but here is the recommended resource:

  - Go To: https://www.learningexpresshub.com/ProductEngine/LELIndex.html#/collection/learningexpresslibrary/sign-in (preferably while on school WiFi)

  - Click On Sign In/ Register on the top right. Click Register again.

  - Select your institution from the dropdown menu: Montrose High School

  - Fill in your school e-mail and set a password that you won't forget.

  - Once you have registered, click on the home button, then select the heading that says "College Admissions Test Preparation".

  - From this point, all of the test prep you do on this site is saved on your account so that you can see your progress, what you need to work on, etc.

Other Resources

- https://www.thoughtco.com/strategies-to-improve-act-scores-3211184

- https://www.thoughtco.com/act-test-prep-4132572

- https://www.thoughtco.com/math-4133545

- https://uniontestprep.com/act/study-guide

- https://www.varsitytutors.com/act-practice-tests

- https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/test-preparation.html