

Most colleges/universities require standardized test scores as part of the application process.

It is important to become very familiar with the admissions criteria and process for each school to which you are applying. Please refer to the admissions link (and more specifically - to the International Admissions link – for non US citizens) when accessing school specific testing requirements. Each school has its own school-specific admission criteria and the best source of information regarding testing criteria is on the specific school's website.

Standardized tests that schools may require are:

TOEFL iBT - (computer based test of English proficiency)

SAT

SAT Subject Tests (some college require 2 and possibly up to 3 subject tests)

ACT (most colleges will allow students to submit ACT scores instead of SAT)

AP - (if you have good AP scores from your freshman-junior years - you may submit these in the application process)

The following FAQs and answers are designed to provide information about the standardized testing experience.

When and Where is the SAT/ACT/TOEFL iBT administered?

Both the SAT and ACT are administered nationally on selected Saturday mornings. Both the SAT and ACT are administered in the local region depending upon testing date; sites include Bangor, Dexter, Guilford, and Greenville. The May administration of the SAT Reasoning Test is at Foxcroft Academy.

The TOEFL iBT is a computer-based test for English proficiency. The TOEFL is administered on select Saturday mornings at Foxcroft Academy. Please listen to announcements regarding registering for upcoming test dates.

How do students register to take the SAT or ACT?

You may register online for the SAT and SAT Subject Tests (www.collegeboard.com) and ACT (www.act.org), A test fee must be submitted by credit card payment at the time of registration. At the end of the registration process, print your admission ticket that must be presented at the test center on the test date. Be sure to bring photo ID for admission to the test center.

How do students register to take the TOEFL iBT?

The TOEFL iBT is administered at Foxcroft Academy – in the Library on select Saturday mornings. You can register by relaying your ETS ID number to Ruby Canning no less than 25 days prior to the TOEFL iBT test date. She will then charge the test fee of \$180 to your student account.

What do I need to bring to the test center when taking the SAT or ACT?

- Admission Ticket
- Photo ID
- Several sharpened #2 pencils
- Approved calculator
- Healthy snack for breaks

What do I bring to the test center when taking the TOEFL iBT?

- Registration Number (Ticket)
- Passport

Should I take both the SAT and the ACT?

In most cases, students will be required to take either the SAT I or the ACT. In your college search, check which tests are required by the schools to which you are applying. Because of the different testing formats, some students will score better on the ACT than the SAT or vice versa. If you are not satisfied with your scores on one test and the school to which you are applying will take scores from either test, you may want to take the other test to see if you score higher.

And, sometimes, schools will take the ACT in lieu of 2-3 SAT Subject Tests.

When should I take these tests?

Most colleges/universities recommend that students take the SAT and/or the ACT in May of their junior year and then retake them in October or November of their senior year. Students who need to submit SAT Subject Test scores in the application process are encouraged to take the SAT Subject Tests in June of their junior year and again in October or November of their senior year if necessary. The TOEFL iBT should be taken in your junior year and also early in your senior year so as scores will be ready for the college application process.

Is it possible to take the SAT, SAT Subject Tests, ACT and TOEFL iBT more than once?

There is no restriction on the number of times you can take the SAT or the ACT nor the TOEFL. Most colleges and universities recommend students take the SAT or the ACT more than one time no matter how high or low your initial scores are. There is little evidence of great score increases from multiple testing beyond the second time.

The TOEFL iBT can be taken multiple times - as your proficiency in English improves.