

Testing Information

ACT/SAT

- Make sure to send test scores to DHS
 - When you register online, you will be asked to provide a high school test code for DHS: 141-570
- Many colleges require the Writing score, so register for the test with Writing
- All colleges in the US accept the ACT or the SAT
- Update all test information in Naviance
 - You can enter the date and each subscore under “About Me” – “Official Things” – “Test Scores”
- Send colleges ALL test scores
 - Take advantage of sending your scores for free to 4 colleges when you register to take the test
 - Listing a college shows your interest which can help during the admissions process
 - Colleges will consider your highest test score
 - Some colleges will superscore
 - Calculate the highest composite by averaging the highest subscores from multiple test dates
 - Some colleges who officially do not superscore may consider the highest subscore in subject areas
- It is recommended to take the ACT 2-3 times (57% of students increase their scores on the second test)
- All juniors will take the ACT plus writing on April 19th at DHS

SAT Subject Tests

- *Required* by academically competitive schools, including some of the Ivy League colleges
- *Recommended* by other schools such as Washington University or Northwestern University
 - You should strongly consider taking the tests even though they are not technically required
- Check college websites to see requirements/recommendations about Subject Tests
- Subject Tests measure a wide variety of skills and areas of knowledge
- Generally students are required to take 2 Subject Tests (A few colleges require 3)
- Five general subject areas: English, history, math, science, and foreign language
- Each test is one hour, between 50-90 multiple choice questions
- Students can take 1-3 Subject Tests on the same day
- All Subject Tests are not offered each time
- Scores on Subject Tests range from 200-800
- For each of the past three years, about 60 DHS students took at least one SAT Subject Test