

## Judah Christian School Guidance & Counseling Webpage



### Standardized Testing:

Before testing—review! There are many free online sites and print materials can be checked out from libraries. There are also very helpful fee-based options. [ACT-SAT Prep 2016.pdf](#) lists costs for 2016-17. Know which test you are going to take, and prepare for that specific test/assessment. High School Juniors should take the ACT and/or SAT by June of their junior year for Illinois State Scholar eligibility—which is a combination of grade point average and standardized test (and rank, but JCHS does not rank)—recognizing Illinois graduating seniors with outstanding academic achievement.

- 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> – Annual standardized testing at JCJH in the spring
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Pre-ACT @ JCHS in the spring
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Pre-ACT @ JCHS in the spring; some students take the optional PSAT/NMSQT @ JCHS in October; Dual Credit eligibility test @ JCHS in winter/spring
- 11<sup>th</sup> – ACT and/or SAT by June (families schedule); PSAT/NMSQT @ JCHS in October; SAT2 if required by colleges being considered (families schedule); AP US Government & Politics (spring date set by College Board)-register w/Mrs. Lucas
- 12<sup>th</sup> – ACT and/or SAT if test results should be received by colleges by application dates; AP exams @ JCHS (College Board sets spring dates)-register w/Mrs. Lucas

Students are generally responsible for sending ACT/SAT results directly from ACT/SAT when applying to colleges/universities. Among many other universities, [this is a University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign requirement](#), and scores must be received prior to application deadlines.

### ACT

Information about the ACT, including the 2017-18 Testing Schedule: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)  
To register to take the ACT: <http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration.html>

The writing section is optional, but recommended for anyone who may want to be a Pre-K through twelfth grade teacher. Strong scores can waive having to take another test (the TAP: <https://www.isbe.net/Documents/act-sat-testing-in-lieu-of-tap.pdf>). Please note: ACT and SAT superscoring is now available through ISBE. See this link for important information.)

The Pre-ACT is administered to JCHS freshmen and sophomores in the spring. It is formatted much like the ACT. <http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/preact.html>;  
<https://www.usnews.com/education/blogs/high-school-notes/2016/04/04/4-important-facts-for-parents-students-about-the-preact>

ACT Testing Accommodations: <http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration/accommodations.html>

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**College Board:** (PSAT/NMSQT, SAT, AP)

PSAT: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>

Using PSAT/NMSQT results to prepare for the SAT:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AlveV0131Cw&feature=youtu.be>

To register to take the SAT: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register>

Information about the SAT Subject Tests (SAT2), including 2017-18 Testing Schedule:

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/pdf/sat-subject-tests-student-guide.pdf>

AP Exams and dates: <https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses/exam-dates-and-fees>

College Board Testing Accommodations: <https://www.collegeboard.org/students-with-disabilities/eligibility>

Contact Mrs. Lucas for the AP registration form in late winter. Any JCHS student may take any AP exam available through College Board. Non-JCHS students are welcome to join any JCHS group signed up to take an AP exam only. Non-JCHS students are welcome to take the PSAT/NMSQT in October at JCHS. Please register by May.

Dual Credit Placement Testing (Required prior to junior year Illinois History class):

ACT and/or SAT scores may be used. See <http://www.parkland.edu/assessment>. Students will test the spring of their 10<sup>th</sup> grade year if enrolling in dual credit Illinois History (Parkland College HIS 107) during their junior year. Review information is available through this link. Illinois History is a one-semester course. The opposite semester, students enroll in AP US Government & Politics. The AP exam for AP US Government & Politics is optional, but encouraged.

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