

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM OPTIONS

If your student is considering attending a four-year college or university he/she will most likely be required to take one of two entrance exams, the SAT or the ACT. Currently, Gladstone High School has focused its efforts on the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test). The district is also exploring the opportunities of the ACT (American College Test).

SAT/PSAT Preparation Information

Spending time preparing for the SAT will help to ensure a strong score. There are several activities that will help assist your student in this endeavor. Listed below are some activities that would be of benefit.

1. Take the PSAT during the sophomore or junior year. This test provides information to the student on their strengths and gives specific feedback on areas to focus on in preparation of the SAT. It provides access to a special website where an individualized SAT preparation plan is developed based on your student's PSAT scores.
2. Access the College Board website. This site (www.collegeboard.com) provides information on the type of test questions, how the exam is scored, and a variety of other information. The most practical assistance it provides is the opportunity to take practice tests.
3. Enroll in one of the SAT Preparation classes offered by the Gladstone Community School. The class is offered three times during the year for students who want to brush up on their skills in preparation for the exam.
4. A fee-based online course is also available online through the College Board.
5. SAT Study Guides and Preparation Booklets are available for student check-out in the GHS library and through the Counseling Office.

ACT (American College Test) Preparation Information

At this time please refer to the ACT website for more information. It is located at www.actstudent.org

If you have any questions concerning the ACT or SAT, please contact your student's counselor at 503-655-2544.