

# Practice ACT Results

# Your Scores

- \* If you do not have a test score report, it was that you did not make-up the test in the days allowed before the tests were sent in to be scored.
- \* 5 scores-English, Math, Reading and Science and then your Composite score.

# Your Scores

- ★ The ACT test is scored between 1 and 36 points with 36 being a perfect score.
- ★ To obtain your score, ACT counts the number of answers that are correct on each section and then converts the score to the scale of 1-36. ACT does not deduct any points for wrong answers.

# Your Scores

- \* Your Composite Score: This is the average score of the four sections. You can understand how you compare to your peers by seeing the percentile rank you hold amongst all other test takers in our state and in the U.S.

# Your Scores

- \* Your scores are in comparison with other Juniors and Seniors.
- \* You should expect an increase in your scores from Dec. of 2015 to your Junior & Senior year.
- \* Most students take the ACT in the spring of their Junior Year (and also at the beginning of their Senior Year).

# Applying to Colleges and your ACT Scores

- \* The ACT Composite Score is just one piece of the puzzle when it comes to admission to colleges and universities. Strength of course selection, class rank and gpa, activities, essays, special talents and abilities, etc. may be considered in the admission process.

# Applying to Colleges and your ACT scores

- \* Highly selective top-tier colleges look for test scores in the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile or higher. An ACT score of 27 is a starting point.
- \* Other private and public colleges admit students who score between 22 on 27 on the ACT.

# Regents Admission Index

Used for admission to our state universities: Iowa, UNI, ISU. A selection index of 245 is automatic acceptance to our state universities along with other specific course requirements. See your School Counselor for more info.

# Regents Admission Index

(2 X ACT Composite)

+ ( 1 x percentile high school rank)

+ ( 20 x high school GPA)

+ ( 5 x number of high school core courses)=

\* Regent Admission Index Score

# Applying to colleges and your ACT test score

- \* An average ACT score nationally is approximately 21 while our school and state typically score higher.
- \* If you are attending a community college, you may or may not need an ACT score. Most students take the COMPASS test toward the end of their Junior year. Your School Counselor will give you more information on testing requirements.

# ACT vs. SAT

- \* Both are college entrance exams
- \* The ACT is accepted nationwide.
- \* About 65-70% of GHS students take the ACT.
- \* Talk to your School Counselor about which test to take.

# Improving Your ACT Test Score

- \* Take a rigorous course schedule.
- \* Read, Read, Read.
- \* Learn test taking strategies.
- \* Pace yourself during the ACT.
- \* Visit with your School Counselor.

# The ACT Assessment

\* For more test prep. ideas, go to:

<http://www.actstudent.org/testprep/>

To register, go to:

<http://www.actstudent.org/>

# Junior/Senior Interviews

- \* Besides the information you will receive in Seminar or during I Have A Plan sessions, your School Counselor will meet with each of you individually during your Junior and Senior year.