

## TEST PREP RESOURCES

### ➤ NJGPA

**What is it?** The NJGPA is a **New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment** given in 11<sup>th</sup> grade. It consists of an ELA and Mathematics component and students **must reach the cut off score of 725 to be eligible for graduation**. Students who do not reach this score may retake the test senior year. Students who do not reach the required score on the NJGPA may demonstrate proficiency on another test (see below) to satisfy the standardized test graduation requirement.

#### **How to practice:**

<https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/practice-tests/> - this site, managed by the New Jersey Department of Education, provides practice tests in both English and Math.

### ➤ PSAT/SAT

**What is it?** The PSAT is essentially a practice SAT. 11<sup>th</sup> graders who take the PSAT and score well may qualify for the National Merit Scholarship. The PSAT is not used for college admissions, however, students who do not pass the NJGPA in grade 11, may use their PSAT results to potentially satisfy the NJ standardized test graduation requirement.

The SAT is multiple choice test used to determine college readiness. Many colleges use the SAT as part of the admissions process since it provides a common data point that can be used to compare all applicants. Students who do not pass the NJGPA in grade 11, may use their SAT results to potentially satisfy the NJ standardized test graduation requirement.

Both the PSAT and SAT are created by the College Board and given at Southern Regional for students who sign up. The PSAT is given in October, free of charge. The SAT is given on multiple dates <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration/dates-deadlines> and comes with a cost.

#### **How to practice:**

<https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/practice-preparation> - This link will provide you with access to Khan Academy, provide you with downloadable full-length practice tests, and give you pointers on how to prepare and practice for the newly digitized tests.

You may also directly go to: <https://www.khanacademy.org/sat> - Short diagnostic quizzes to pinpoint your areas for practice, Interactive practice, and thousands of practice questions, video lessons, and hints. Get constant feedback and progress so you know where you stand.

## ➤ ACT

**What is it?** The ACT is a standardized test used for college admissions in the United States.

This test is not administered at Southern, but you can register here:

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

**How to practice:**

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/test-preparation/free-act-test-prep.html> - Sample ACT questions, divided by subject, can be found here.

## ➤ ACCUPLACER

**What is it?** The Accuplacer is an online test that community colleges frequently use for placement. The test is designed to assess student readiness for introductory credit-bearing courses. Students who take the Accuplacer at Southern Regional will receive their results at the conclusion of the test.

Students who do not pass the NJGPA in grade 11, may use their ACCUPLACER results to potentially satisfy the NJ standardized test graduation requirement.

**How to practice:**

<https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students/accuplacer-tests> - Information and practice for the Accuplacer – including full tests with answers!

<http://www.accuplacerpracticetest.com/writeplacer-essay-guide/> - How to write a high scoring essay for the Accuplacer.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LJZxVtTo04w> - 10 minute YouTube video showing how to write a successful Accuplacer essay in 6 easy steps

There are also free apps you can download. Just search **test prep 2023 Accuplacer**

## ➤ ASVAB

**What is it?** The ASVAB (or **A**rmed **S**ervices **V**ocational **A**ptitude **B**attery test) is a standardized test that reveals areas of strength and ability in science, math, and language. It is primarily used for entrance into the Armed Forces. *Please note:* The New Jersey Department of Education no longer accepts ASVAB results as a standardized test graduation requirement.

## **How to practice:**

For a better understanding of how the test is constructed, used and scored see:

<https://www.military.com/join-armed-forces/asvab/asvab-test-explained.html>

[http://official-asvab.com/samples\\_app.htm](http://official-asvab.com/samples_app.htm) - ASVAB home site with 3 sample questions for each of ASVAB categories - Explore links for information about content and scoring.

<https://uniontestprep.com/asvab/practice-test> - User friendly site with flashcards, sample tests, and study guides.

<http://www.asvabtestbank.com/> - Short practice tests for each section with a study guide! Correct answers with explanations follow each test.

*Free APP Available in the APP store - ASVAB Msatery Test Prep 2023*