

College Application Season is just around the corner. The most important part of the college admissions process would be choosing an institution that is a good match for you. Work on self-assessment and stay organized. And remember to enjoy your senior year!

The following is the summarized components in three different types of tests required for most colleges.

Redesigned SAT/ACT/TOEFL

Components	Redesigned SAT	ACT	TOEFL
Scoring	1600 points Evidence-based reading & writing: 800 Math: 800	English, Math, Reading and Science 36 and then averaged	120 points Reading: 30 Listening: 30 Speaking: 30 Writing: 30
Test Time (in minutes)	Reading: 65 Writing: 35 Math: 80 Essay (optional): 50	Reading: 45 English: 45 Math: 60 Science: 35 Essay (optional): 30	Reading: 60 Listening: 60 Speaking: 20 Writing: 50
Reading	Passages from published literature, history/social studies and science Focus on evidence, analysis and interpretation	Passages from published fiction, humanities, social studies and natural sciences Focus on recall and reasoning	3 – 4 passages from academic texts.
Writing	Passage Based Revision/Editing Expression of Ideas Standard English	Passage Based Usage/Mechanics Rhetorical Skills	Listening: Listen to lectures, classroom discussions and conversations.
Math	Algebra Problem solving/Data analysis Manipulation of complex equations Geometry Trigonometry	Algebra Geometry Trigonometry	Speaking: Express an opinion on a familiar topic: speak based on reading and listening tasks
Science	None	Biology Chemistry Earth/Space Science Physics	None
Essay	Optional (taken after test) Students read a text and then provide textual analysis and reasoning to demonstrate comprehension of text	Required by most schools Students take a position on a topic reflective of high school experience or interests	Write essay responses based on reading and listening tasks; support an opinion in writing.