

POST-SECONDARY PLANNING INFORMATION

It is recommended that juniors take the PSAT in October and the ACT and SAT in the spring. Seniors should retake the test with the higher score (ACT or SAT) in the fall or repeat both tests.

School/CEEB Code- 460108

Please go to the testing websites to verify dates and deadlines

2020-2021 SAT Test Dates

Test Date	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	Late Deadline (by phone/internet)
▶▶ August 29	JULY 31	August 18
▶▶ September 26	AUGUST 26	September 15
▶▶ October 3	SEPTEMBER 4	September 22
▶▶ November 7	OCTOBER 7	October 27
December 5	NOVEMBER 5	November 24
■ March 13	FEBRUARY 12	March 2
■ May 8	APRIL 8	April 27
■ June 5	MAY 6	May 26

SIGN UP AT WWW.COLLEGEBOARD.ORG (THE OPTIONAL ESSAY IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED)

2020-2021 ACT Test Dates

Test Date	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	Standby Deadline
▶▶ September 12, 13, 19	AUGUST 31	September 4
▶▶ October 10, 17, 24, 25	SEPTEMBER 25	October 2
December 12	NOVEMBER 6	December 4
February 6	JANUARY 8	January 29
■ April 17	MARCH 12	April 9
■ June 12	MAY 7	June 4
■ July 17	JUNE 18	July 9

SIGN UP AT WWW.ACTSTUDENT.ORG (ACT PLUS WRITING IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED)

▶▶ DATES RECOMMENDED FOR SENIORS

■ DATES RECOMMENDED FOR JUNIORS (THE APRIL 17 TEST IS SCHEDULED TO BE OFFERED AT CHS, BUT STUDENTS NEED TO SIGN UP ASAP, AS THE TEST CENTER MAY FILL UP)

***** IF YOU QUALIFY FOR FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH, CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR FOR A FEE WAIVER (IF NEITHER OF YOUR PARENTS/GUARDIANS GRADUATED FROM A FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR VSAC SERVICES AND WAIVERS...SEE YOUR COUNSELOR FOR MORE INFO *****

SAT/ACT PREPARATION

- Bookstores have test preparation materials
- Test prep books can be borrowed from both the CHS and Burnham libraries
- VSAC resource library has several test prep books to borrow (10 East Allen Street in Winooski)
- Burnham Library often offers FREE SAT and ACT Practice tests through Kaplan
- www.collegeboard.org (Free practice tests and resources through Kahn Academy)
- www.number2.com (Free Online Test Prep)
- <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice> (SAT Site—practice Questions & more)

- www.freerice.com (Vocabulary Game - Can help study for verbal sections of tests)
- www.fairtest.org (website that lists schools that do not require the SAT or ACT)
- <https://www.learningexpresshub.com/ProductEngine/LELIndex.html#/learningexpresslibrary/libraryhome>
- There are private companies that offer SAT and ACT preparatory courses for a fee

STEP 2: DO A SEARCH FOR POTENTIAL CAREER PATHS/MAJORS

List 3 potential career paths or majors that interested you during your search

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

COLLEGE AND CAREER SEARCH WEBSITES

- NAVIANCE FAMILY CONNECTION
<https://connection.naviance.com/family-connection/auth/login/?hsid=colchester>
- www.PrincetonReview.com (College Search)
- www.Petersons.com (College Search)
- www.CollegeBoard.org (College Search)
- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/how-find-your-college-fit>
- www.VSAC.org
- www.BLS.gov/ooH (Occupational Outlook Handbook)
- www.fairtest.org/optstate.html (SAT/ACT Optional Schools)
- www.commonapp.org (The Common Application)
- Vermont Department of Labor (Search for jobs and Apprenticeships in Vermont)
- [CHS Website](#) has MANY resources
- There are apps and websites available such as “College Hunch”, “College Navigator” and many more

STEP 3: RESEARCH COLLEGES OR OTHER PATHS

Use resources above to come up with at least three specific possibilities (could be colleges, trade schools, jobs, military options, etc.) If you’re looking at colleges, make sure to have **at least one reach, three good fits, and one safety school** (you can use the “How do I stack up?” feature on the College Board search engine to determine this).

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

STEP 4: FROM THE LIST ABOVE, LIST POSSIBILITIES THAT YOU HAVE VISITED/CONTACTED OR PLAN TO VISIT/CONTACT

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

COLLEGE VISITS, MILITARY INFORMATION, GAP YEAR AND APPRENTICESHIP AND EMPLOYMENT

- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/campus-visit-guide> (college visits)
- <http://www.myfuture.com/military/> (Military careers and information)
- <http://labor.vermont.gov> (Employment listings for Vermont, apprenticeship info., building a resume, etc.)
- <https://labor.vermont.gov/apprenticeship> (apprenticeship info)
- For GAP Year info and **so much more**, see our website under:
<http://www.csdvt.org/chs/guidance/college-and-career-center.php>