

STANDARDIZED TESTING

PSAT 8/9

The PSAT 8/9 It is given to all 9th graders in the spring. This test establishes a **baseline** measurement of the student's college and career readiness as they enter high school. It also gives you a chance to preview the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, and PSAT 10 and connect to AP courses.

PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test)

The PSAT is given in October to all students in grades 9 - 11. The test is used for practice for the SAT and Honors/AP level placement in the High School. ASCS registers all students for the test.

PSAT score reports are normally returned after Christmas break. Going over the test – question by question – is a valuable way to improve SAT scores. Students who have questions about their score report should talk with the Academic Dean, Guidance staff or visit: <http://www.collegeboard.com/splash> .

SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test) and ACT (American College Test)

Atlantic Shores Christian School 's code for both the SAT and the ACT is 472284.

Register for the tests:

[SAT](#) Reasoning Test and the SAT Subject Tests

[ACT](#)

SAT Reasoning Test

Beginning with the winter/spring of the junior year, all students are strongly encouraged to take the SAT Reasoning test if their PSAT results indicate this is their best test. Dates for the test and registration information can be found on-line or in the Guidance Office.

2016-2017 Test Dates	Registration Deadlines
October 1	September 1
November 5	October 7
December 3	November 3
January 21	December 21
March 11	February 10
May 6	April 7
June 3	May 9

SAT Subject Test

The SAT Subject test are generally required only by the more selective colleges; students should check individual requirements of each college they are considering to see if the Subject Tests are necessary and, if so, which tests are required. Three subject test may be taken at one testing time. The test dates are the same as the SAT Reasoning Test.

ACT

The ACT is an achievement test measuring English, math, reading, and science skills. Some students naturally respond better to the nature of the questions on the ACT with more ease. Dates for tests and registration information can be found on-line or in the Guidance Office.

2016-2017 Test Dates	Registration Deadlines
September 10	August 7
October 22	September 16
December 10	November 4
February 11	January 13
April 8	March 3
June 10	May 5

AP Exams

Students enrolled in Advanced Placement classes are required to sit for the final exam written by the college board. These tests begin the first week of May. The tests are scored on a scale of 1-5 with many colleges offering credit or advanced placement for scores of 3 or higher. The college board provides score results to students in July at apscore.org.