ACT Retake FAQ

1. Which law requires students to take the ACT/SAT in the 11th grade year?

Per state law, T.C.A. § 49-6-6001, effective July 1, 2007, "every public school student shall take an examination at grade eleven (11).

2. Is the ACT a graduation requirement?

Yes, beginning in the 2017–18 school year, the ACT or SAT will be required for students receiving a regular high school diploma who were enrolled in a Tennessee public school in their junior year per the Tennessee State Board of Education's high school policy.

3. Can an eligible student register for the ACT with writing as part of this initiative?

No, students who need to take the writing portion of the ACT should register for a national ACT testing date. Information on ACT national testing can be found here.

4. How will student scores be reported?

Students will receive a physical score report from ACT, Inc. three to eight weeks after testing.