Homeschooled students and the ACT FAQ

This page contains the answers to the most frequently asked questions about homeschooled students and the ACT. Check here for quick answers to most questions.

Q. Can homeschooled students take the state administration of the ACT at their neighborhood high school?

A. A home-schooled student can take the ACT *if* the student would be considered a junior if he or she were registered for public school (the state funded ACT applies only to juniors).

Q. How do parents of homeschooled students request to participate in state ACT testing?

A. Homeschooled students who desire to take the ACT *must* contact the school district in which they would like to test to request the district's policy for testing students who are not enrolled. In order for homeschooled students to participate in the state-funded 11th grade ACT, parents must make arrangements according to the deadlines and requirements as described in the school district's U-PASS policy for participation. *Failure to meet the deadlines and requirements as outlined in the school district's U-PASS policy may render the student ineligible to take the state-funded 11th grade ACT.*

Q. How do schools register homeschooled students for the state administration of the ACT?

A. To register the student for the ACT, follow the instructions below:

Process for testing Home School students

- LEA/School creates SSID# for the student
- Enroll the student using the home-school code, 990
- Enter the student information in the ACT Now system
- Make sure the student is included in the completion of the "Non-test Portions" prior to test day

B. Can homeschooled students who would not be juniors (i.e., they are older or younger) take the ACT with their neighborhood school on state ACT testing day?

A. No. The state ACT testing date is only for high school juniors.

Q. Can homeschooled juniors take the ACT on the state testing date at any school they wish?A. The student should take the test that is their geographic boundary school as determined by their permanent address.

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