

SAT/ACT Approved Basic Skills Alternative

Applicants may substitute a passing score on one or more sections of the SAT or ACT for the equivalent passing scores on the WEST-B. The adopted passing scores for SAT and ACT are listed below.

Cut Score Comparison Table

Subject	SAT	ACT
Math	27.5 (beginning 3/5/2016) 515 (through 3/4/2016)	22
Reading	27 (beginning 3/5/2016) 500 (through 3/4/2016)	22
Writing	28 (beginning 3/5/2106) 490 (through 3/4/216)	8 (beginning 9/1/2016) 23 (beginning 9/1/2015 through 8/31/2016) 8 (through 8/31/2015)

- The SAT writing test was added in 2005. This means no writing score will be accepted for SAT before 2005.
- SAT Score reports prior to October 2004 will have "verbal" scores which are the critical reading scores. If the score reports are from October 1996 to September 2004, then the verbal scores are the same as the reading scores beyond 2004. Use those scores to see if the candidate has satisfied the requirement.
- SAT October 2004 and later score reports will have critical reading, mathematics and writing scores listed if the candidate took the tests.
- All other SAT Mathematics, Reading, and Writing scores that equal or exceed the cut scores in the table above meet the entrance criteria, regardless of when the test was taken.
- ACT Writing was added Feb. 2005 so no ACT writing score will be accepted before Feb. 2005.
- ACT Reading was added Oct. 1989. No ACT reading score will be accepted before Oct. 1989.
- ACT Writing subsection was updated and a new version was administered September 2015. (see score as of 9/2015)
- All other ACT Mathematics, Reading, and Writing scores that equal or exceed the cut scores in the table above meet the entrance criteria, regardless of when the test was taken.