

SAT Information

Many colleges require the SAT I for admission because it is often used as a standard way of measuring a student's ability to do college-level work. It is used to compare your academic achievements with those of students from different schools. The new SAT I measures reading, writing and math reasoning abilities. All scores are reported on the 200 to 800 scales.

The best way to prepare for the SAT I is to spend time going over the sample questions. Review the directions, learn to pace yourself, and be familiar with the answer sheet.

Stop by the guidance office for a registration book or you may register on-line at www.collegeboard.com. If you have questions, call College Board at 866-756-7346.

If you would like your scores sent to Kellam to be included with your transcripts, remember to enter the school code: 472-287.

ACT Testing

The ACT is a three hour test measuring English, mathematics, reading and science reasoning abilities. Results are used for college admissions and scholarship consideration. Most colleges will accept the results of either the SAT I or the ACT.

Other Considerations

1. **Common Market**

Students who are interested in a field of study that is not offered by a school in their home state may benefit from the Academic Common Market. Students who are residents of the 15 southern states involved can enroll in selected programs in other states and pay the in-state tuition. For updated information, check out the web page at www.sreb.org

2. **Attention Athletes: NCAA Central Clearinghouse**

Students who intend to participate in athletics at Division I or II colleges must be registered with, and certified as eligible, by the NCAA Clearinghouse. This clearance is needed whether or not the student-athlete is on scholarship. If you have questions, please speak to your coach. There is a \$60.00 charge to the Clearinghouse for this service. You also need an official transcript which costs \$2.00. Please go the website, NCAACLEARINGHOUSE.NET for additional information.

3. **Military Academies and ROTC**

If you are planning to apply to one of the United States Service Academies you need to begin the process in the spring of your junior year. Please see Mrs. Zimba in guidance if you have any questions.

Scholarships

Scholarship Central is a website for Virginia Beach students that enables you to search for scholarships and download the applications. You can access

Scholarship Central by going to www.vbschools.com and clicking on Class of 2009.

Many scholarships are also advertised in the weekly guidance newsletter, Knightly News. If you have questions about scholarships, see Mrs. Boyd or Mr. Bryant in the guidance office.

Resources

The guidance office has several college catalogs that you can check out. A great resource is the College Handbook, which provides a brief description of colleges throughout the United States.

There are some web sites that you may want to check out for more information.

State Council of Higher Education, links to colleges in Virginia: www.schev.edu

A resource for college information and SAT's, www.PrincetonReview.com

Web resources for the college-bound, www.nacac.com/w_intro.html

If you would like to take some career inventories, you may use the Kuder Career Planning System, <http://va.kuder.com> Create your user name and use *knights* as your password. The school access code is 8303. Then use the following batch codes:

Kuder Career Search with Person Match	I854655WKN
Kuder Skills Assessment	S854659KDR
Super's Work Values Inventory	V854657QTR

Virginia Mentor, www.virginiamentor.org is a website that has high school planning, career information, and college information for Virginia colleges and universities.

College Board online, has information about colleges, scholarships, AP and SAT testing, www.collegeboard.com. You may also access My Road, an excellent college and career planning tool at www.myroad.com. Click on "Sign up today", our school code is 472287.

For athletes, www.ncaaclearinghouse.net

Counselors are available to answer your questions and assist you throughout the college application process. Kellam also has an Access counselor on Mondays and Tuesdays to assist students.