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COLLEGE CREDIT PLACEMENT TEST INFORMATION

SAT SUBJECT TEST

Many colleges require the scores of two or more College Board SAT Subject Tests as part of the admissions process. These tests are one-hour multiple choice tests that measure the student's knowledge of a particular subject and his/her ability to apply that knowledge. The SAT Subject Tests are used by some colleges for placement. These tests are offered in several subject areas. You should take the appropriate test at the completion of the course. Any student considering taking the SAT Subject Tests should refer to a college catalog (see http://sat.collegeboard.org/home?navid=ap-sat).

AP (ADVANCED PLACEMENT) EXAMINATIONS

Advanced Placement Examinations are based upon college-level courses taught in high school. They may enable the student to receive college credit, advanced placement, or both. Scores are reported on a five-point scale, with five being the highest score. A score of three or better is acceptable for advanced placement and college credit by most colleges. By exempting several freshman-level courses in this way, a student may realize substantial savings in college costs. All students enrolled in AP courses are expected to take the AP exams. Registration is typically held in March and exams are taken in May (see https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home?navid=clep-aps).

CLEP (COLLEGE LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM)

CLEP provides an opportunity for individuals who have acquired certain knowledge outside the traditional classroom to earn college credit by examination. The scores range from 200-800. Some colleges give credit for scores above 500, enabling students to skip certain courses. Before participating in the program, you should check the policy of the prospective college regarding the granting of CLEP credit and consult your high school counselor (see https://clep.collegeboard.org/).