MORE STUDENTS ARE TAKING THE ACT TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM AND STEM STANDARDS. Here’s how we’re preparing them for college and career readiness.

TEST CONFIDENCE — THE COLLEGESPRING APPROACH
Test Confidence combines core lesson content and builds the motivation and mindset skills to help students achieve after high school and beyond.

- 40 subject lessons
- 6 Motivation and Mindset lessons
- 10 College Knowledge lessons
- 2 practice tests
- 1,000+ practice questions
- Flexible program implementation

EVERY LESSON CONTAINS:

- **WARM-UP**: learning objectives, college connection, and collaboration question
- **LEARN**: vocabulary by topic, direct instruction with example practice problems and clear explanations over core concepts
- **PRACTICE**: a set of 10 practice questions over the content tied to standards
- **REFLECTION**: collaboration question
- **ADDITIONAL PRACTICE**: 20 extra practice problems teachers can choose to assign that are broken down by standards
- **TEACHER FACILITATION GUIDE**: a robust presentation material with speaker notes that include differentiation strategies for ELL, above and below-grade level students

WHY THE ACT?
The ACT measures the college readiness skills of high school students in English, Math, Reading, and Science—skills that are important indicators of post-secondary pathways success.

In 2021 almost 1.3 million students took the ACT, but only 25% of them met all four ACT College Readiness Benchmarks.

TESTS STILL MATTER
Students who choose to submit a test, even when optional, have a competitive advantage and are admitted at a higher rate.

TESTS ARE STILL REQUIRED
The ACT is a graduation requirement in 16 states and for many scholarships, colleges, and specialized programs.

TESTS ARE STILL COLLEGE AND CAREER INDICATORS
College Entrance exams are still used as an indicator of college and career readiness as high-stakes moments continue in post-secondary education and beyond.
A STANDOUT ALTERNATIVE

Our program model helps students build the motivation, confidence, and strong academic foundation needed to perform well on the test, and beyond.

1. **WE TEACH ACADEMIC SKILLS, NOT JUST TEST-TAKING TRICKS.**
   Our program helps students prepare for the ACT while learning strategies that will empower them with confidence for any test environment.

2. **WE PARTNER WITH TEACHERS THROUGH TRAINING AND INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT.**
   Our Self-Paced Teacher Training Course offers virtual training on the ACT curriculum and instructional resources. We collaborate with you to design your instructional support, with options for individual or group coaching sessions, data review sessions, co-planning lessons, and lesson observations.

3. **WE INDIVIDUALIZE OUR PROGRAM BASED ON OUR PARTNERS’ NEEDS AND STUDENT PERFORMANCE.**
   Our program can be implemented as a stand-alone class offering (i.e. college readiness, ACT, or AVID prep class), embedded in core content areas, or as an after-school or summer program. Our curriculum includes scaffolding and additional practice that tailors to individual student performance.

4. **WE PROVIDE MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO CAPTURE AND ANALYZE DATA.**
   - Teachers can monitor student progress with assigned lessons and utilize data for instruction.
   - Students can observe and assess their own performance, review content independently, and see answers/rationales to practice questions.
   - Our partners may offer up to two practice tests via the CollegeSpring Connect platform to help build student experience with testing stamina and confidence and help measure their progress.

“THE STUDENTS APPRECIATE THE TEST TAKING STRATEGIES LESSON... GOING THROUGH THE LESSON TAUGHT THEM STRATEGIES THAT THEY DIDN’T KNOW”

- MELISSA VANCAMP, DPSCD TEACHER

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Interested in learning more about a fall partnership?

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