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Your ACT® Aspire® student score reports contain a lot of information about your skills that can help answer three important questions about you and your future.

1. Where do I stand right now?

ACT Aspire shows your strengths and weaknesses in up to five subject areas: English, mathematics, reading, science, and writing. You can also see how you are doing in combined subject areas such as English Language Arts (ELA) and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). Your report also shows how you performed in specific skill areas within each subject. Finally, you can see how your scores compare to those of other students who have taken ACT Aspire.

2. How can I make goals for the future?

The scores you achieved on the ACT Aspire test(s) can help you decide what to do next. Looking at particular areas of strength and weakness can help you determine where you need help and where you may need to be challenged. This information can help you plan coursework and set goals.

3. Am I on target for college and a career?

For most students, reaching their goals includes getting a college education. Preparing for college or workplace training means having access to quality instruction and putting forth your best effort. Your ACT Aspire score report references ACT Readiness Benchmarks, ACT Readiness Ranges, and, if you are in eighth grade or above, a Progress Toward Career Readiness indicator.

This guide will help you understand the information on your ACT Aspire student score report and how it can help you. Later, visit https://actaspire.tms.pearson.com for more information and to watch a video for students and parents.

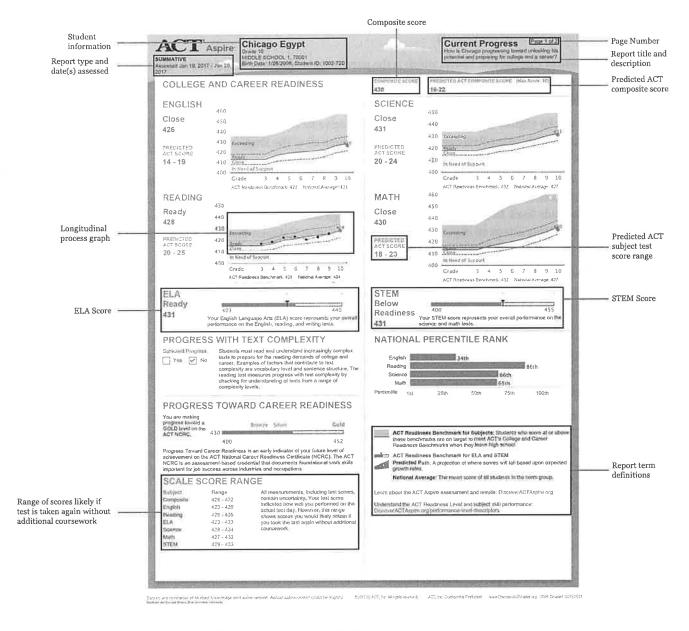


Figure 1. ACT Aspire Current Progress Report

Figure 1 presents the Current Progress Report, which shows information about individual subject scores, ELA and STEM scores, the Progress with Text Complexity indicator, the Progress toward Career Readiness indicator, national percentile ranks and the scale score range in consideration of uncertainty from measurement errors.

The Current Progress Report includes additional key data based on subjects you took and the grade level at which you tested. The following scores are available for all grade levels:

- ELA combined score, which averages your English, reading, and writing test scores
- STEM combined score, which averages your science and mathematics test scores
- Progress with Text Complexity indicator, which identifies whether you are making sufficient progress toward reading the complex texts you will encounter as you further your education and work toward college and career

How Your Scores Compare

Next to your scores under the graphic for each subject, you'll find the national average score for students who took ACT Aspire. These show how you did on different subjects compared with students across the country.

Your score for each subject is also associated with a National Percentile Rank that shows how your score compares to students across the nation. In Figure 2, the score report shows "86th" as the percentile rank for the sample student's reading score. This means that the sample student scored as high as or higher than 86% of students in the national comparison group. The bar graph helps you see which of your scores are strongest and weakest relative to other students.

NATIONAL PERCENTILE RANK

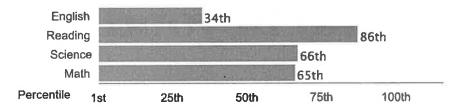


Figure 2. National Percentile Rank

Your Readiness Action Plan

Look at how your scores for each subject compare to the ACT Readiness Benchmark scores on your score report. Then compare your skill scores in each subject to the ACT Readiness Ranges listed on the Skill Proficiency Report (Figure 4).

Are your subject scores at or above the ACT Readiness Benchmarks or your skill scores within the ACT Readiness Ranges? If so, you are doing well, but keep working hard. There is still a lot to learn. Pay attention to the improvement ideas given for all subjects tested.

Are your subject scores below the ACT Readiness Benchmarks or your skills scores below the ACT Readiness Ranges? You should pay attention to the improvement ideas, too. Review the suggestions for improving your skills listed on each page of your report, especially for your lowest-scoring skills.

You will definitely want to discuss any improvement ideas with your counselors, teachers, and parents so that you can work together to get the most from your courses and reach the goals of being ready for college and workplace training. It's important to start taking action now.

An Additional Student Report

In addition to the two-page, full-color student report described above, a single-page, black and white report will also be generated for each student. This report is designed to provide a basic overview of score data in an easily-printable format. It includes the subject test scores, composite score (for grades 8–10), ACT Readiness Level, Score Range, National Percentile Rank, and Predicted ACT Score (for grades 9–10). It also includes Supplemental Scores, including ELA and STEM scores subject test scores, Progress with Text Complexity, and a Progress Toward Career Readiness indicator (for grades 8–10). Figure 5 below shows an example of a 3rd grade report.

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Reading	Exceeding	419	87th		
Science	Ready	419 417 - 421	72nd		
Math	Exceeding	419 417 + 421	93rd		
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Figure 5. One-page Student Report

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