ACT Test Tips—I Don’t Know the Answer

The ACT is a timed test, so trying to puzzle out a hard question can hurt you in the long run. Try some of these tips to help you on test day.

⇒ Choose a “letter of the day”. Just because you don’t work a question doesn’t mean you don’t answer it. When you guess on an answer, choose the same guess on all of your “guessing” questions. (Choose the first, second, third, or fourth answer as your guessing choice for the whole test.) You are not penalized for wrong answers, so NEVER leave one blank.

⇒ Skip it and come back. Mark an answer you are not sure about on your booklet and then come back at the end of the session to answer that question.

⇒ Forget the right answer—find the wrong ones. ACT hides the correct answer behind wrong ones, but when you cross off just one or two wrong answers, the correct answer can become more obvious.

⇒ The ACT is a stressful affair. If you feel stress rising during the test, take a few seconds to breathe, close your eyes, and reset. Clearing your mind might make the answer easier to find. Then get back to it.

Success begins with understanding the test and facing it with courage and determination. Anything worth having requires working for it. The ACT is not an exception to this rule. Face your fears and achieve your dreams.

“It’s hard to beat a person that never gives up.” ~ Babe Ruth

Upcoming Events

March 5
Saturday Program

March 26
Emmalou 5K Run/1.5 Walk
More information on Facebook at EMMALOU 5K

April 2
Saturday Program
ACT Testing & Senior Celebration

May 6
Saturday Program (on Friday)

May 26
Summer Registration

June 6th to July 15th
Summer Program

July 12th
Award Ceremony

Student News

• Jaiden DeClue had multiple art projects chosen for the NC Art Show.
• Addison Griggs was accepted to Northwest State University.
• Seth Wright was a member of the 2022 All-State Choir.
• Gabrielle Koester was awarded Unitec student of the month.
• Cynthia Crisp received her driver’s license!
The mission of Upward Bound at Mineral Area College is to serve eligible high school students by providing academic enrichment, cultural experiences, and a support network to ensure their success in attaining a four year college degree.

A Federally Funded Program

The Mineral Area College Upward Bound I program is a TRIO program funded with a five-year, $1,495,566 grant from the U.S. Department of Education. This represents 100% of the program cost. Mineral Area College provides 25% of indirect costs to support the program.

The Mineral Area College Upward Bound II program is a TRIO program funded with a five-year, $1,298,771 grant from the U.S. Department of Education. This represents 100% of the program cost. Mineral Area College provides a portion of indirect costs to support the program.

Upward Bound is one of five programs established by Congress to help low-income, first-generation students enter college and graduate. These programs are referred to as the TRIO programs.

For more information on Upward Bound I or II or for information on how to apply, contact the Upward Bound office located at Mineral Area College, (573) 518-2156. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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