

CHANDLER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

High School & Beyond — News & Information

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for Families of 12th Grade Students

ASVAB & Military Options

The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. The ASVAB was introduced in 1968.

The ASVAB is offered to high school and post-secondary students as part of the ASVAB Career Exploration Program. The program provides tools to help students learn more about career exploration and planning, in both the civilian and military worlds of work. The ASVAB Career Exploration Program is free of charge to participating schools. Chandler Juniors and Seniors are offered the opportunity to take the ASVAB each November.

Schools determine if ASVAB results are released to the Military. However, you can opt in to or opt out of the release option your school chooses. Be sure to coordinate with your school counselor. Regardless, students participating in the ASVAB Career Exploration Program have no obligation to the Military or to talk to a military recruiter.

Information about a variety of specific military careers can be found at www.careersinthemilitary.com and www.todaysmilitary.com or at the service-specific websites:

- Air Force: www.airforce.com
- Army: www.goarmy.com
- Coast Guard: www.uscg.mil
- Marine Corps: www.marines.com
- Navy: www.navy.com

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DID YOU KNOW?

After you take your initial ASVAB, you must wait one calendar month to retake the test. You must wait an additional calendar month to retest a second time. After that, you must wait six calendar months to retake the ASVAB. Your scores may be used for enlistment for up to two years from the date of testing.

MYTHBUSTER

MYTH: There are two entrance exams- ASVAB & AFQT.

REALITY: There is only one exam — the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery — ASVAB for short. The ASVAB has 10 tests. Your scores from four of the tests are combined to compute your score on what is referred to as the Armed Forces Qualification Test (AFQT).

- Word Knowledge (WK)
- Paragraph Comprehension (PC)
- Arithmetic Reasoning (AR)
- Mathematics Knowledge (MK)

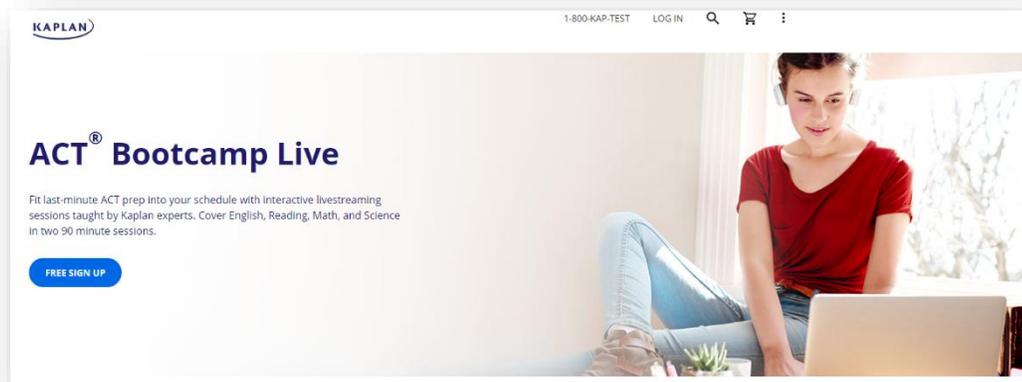
Scores on the AFQT are used to determine your eligibility for enlistment in the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps. Scores on all of the ASVAB tests are used to determine the best job for you in the military.

Upcoming Events & Announcements

- **Feb 18 – Gordon Cooper Interviews**
- **Feb 15 – President’s Day No School**
- **April 17 – ACT at Chandler High School**

If you are taking the ACT on February 9th, and would like a refresher course check out the [FREE ACT Boot Camp](#). There are 2 Sessions on Feb 2 (4:30 and 6:00) and 2 Sessions on Feb 6 (6:00 and 7:30).

If you are a part of our Title VI program or qualify for free/reduced lunches, see the counselor for the opportunity to take a FREE ACT.



Strategies for Taking the ASVAB

- Read the directions for each test carefully before beginning the test.
- Read each question carefully before selecting the answer.
- Pay attention to the time — don't spend too much time on one individual question, if that means there won't be enough time to answer later questions.
- When the answer to a question is unknown, try to rule out as many incorrect choices as possible, and then make an educated guess from the remaining answers.
- Don't get hung up trying to answer the difficult questions — answer the easy questions first and then return to the more difficult questions.
- Answer every question. If time runs short, it is to one's advantage to fill in random guesses for the remaining items, as there is no penalty for guessing.
- Review answers if there is time remaining.
- Make sure only one response per question is selected on the answer sheet, and erase completely if an answer is changed.