



ACT Prep Plan 2020

ACT Daily Practice in Curriculum: Teachers will receive professional development sessions by department and subject on how to incorporate ACT style questioning to the current content and curriculum. After the training, teachers will incorporate ACT style questions on their lessons using their current curriculum.

ACT Mastery Prep: IHSNO is implementing an ACT prep program that includes practice and assessments for all students in grades 9 through 12. ACT Mastery prep is an online program aimed at increasing college-ready scores for students. The program provides a step-by-step guide to ensure student success. ACT MasteryPrep will be used during advisory as a self-paced practice each day.

Mock Assessments: IHSNO will administer two ACT Mock assessment sessions within the school year. The first assessment will be held during the Fall semester and the second assessment will be held during the Spring semester. Testing will be completed using MasteryPrep Online for test analysis and the creation of Study Hall. The assessment plan is grade-level based.

- 9th-grade students will receive the practice test. This test will be administered section by section, over a specified time with breaks. English and Reading assessments will be administered in Fall. Math and Science assessments will be administered in Spring.
- 10th-grade students will receive all sections of the practice test over a specified time. In Fall, they will have increased time to complete the assessment. In the Spring, they will be assessed in real-time.
- 11th-grade students will receive the full practice test. The test will be administered using proctors and actual ACT timing during both the Fall and Spring sessions.
- 12th-grade students will receive the full proctored and timed assessment in Fall and the practice ACT WorkKeys assessment in Spring, followed by the real WorkKeys assessment.

ACT Prep Saturday Program: IHSNO will offer Saturday ACT Prep class from 10 am to 2:00 pm. This class will be open to Seniors in Fall and Juniors in Spring. The class will have the structure of 3 hours of instruction followed by a real-time practice test section for the subject covered that day. Students will use the Mastery Prep Bootcamp program ([link to statistics](#)) for test-taking strategies. The Program will be structured as:

- 1st Saturday: ELA



- 2nd Saturday: Math
- 3rd Saturday: Reading & Science

Incentives: Students showing growth and hitting ACT benchmarks will be recognized by IHSNO. Incentives will include IHSNO gear, field trips (if possible), gift cards, etc.

Study Hall: Study Hall is a Mastery Prep program for use with practice testing. It pulls student data from tests and prepares the needed content practice for student use. This customized approach will help students accelerate their content knowledge while focused on their areas of need. IHSNO will use a portion of Asynchronous Wednesday time as ACT Prep Study Hall.

Benefits: There are many benefits to having all portions of this program in effect. These benefits include but are not limited to:

- A pathway for successful completion from 9th grade to graduation as it begins preparation for ACT in reasonable steps from 9th grade.
- Will give students much more content and practice test experience before the official score is needed.
- Reduce test anxiety by building familiarity with the ACT.
- Address content deficiencies to assist with normal coursework.
- Allows a longitudinal study of our effectiveness in content instruction by analyzing 9th through 12th-grade results.