Dear Parents & Students,

As you may be aware, the State of Nevada now requires all Juniors to take the ACT test. Colleges use ACT scores to help determine college admissions and scholarships. The test will be offered statewide in the Spring, but students are welcome to register for the test on their own, and to take it at any time. The last test of 2016 is December 10th, (registration deadline November 4th). Register at: www.ACTstudent.org The Fall is usually the last chance for Seniors to re-take the test before college applications are due, and it’s a good chance for Juniors to start preparing for the test.

For students who would like help preparing for this test, we are happy to announce we are partnering with Tutors Across America to provide a discounted ACT weekend prep camp for students who’d like to prepare for this important exam.

**ACT Weekend Boot Camp**

**Las Vegas Academy -** 315 S. 7th St. Las Vegas, NV 89101  
Fri. Nov. 18: 4:00pm-8:30pm  
Sat. Nov. 19: 9:00am-6:00pm (lunch break from 1:00-2:00)  
Sun. Nov. 20: 9:00am-6:00pm (lunch break from 1:00-2:00)

The ACT weekend camps are averaging 4-7 point improvements per student.

Regular Cost: $299 (the class is open to students from any school)  
Discounted Cost for Las Vegas Academy students only: **$149** (use coupon code: LVA at checkout)

**Tutors Across America’s instructor, Ryan Fitzgibbons**

Achieved perfect 2400 on SAT  
Scored in the 99th percentile on ACT  
Member of Mensa High IQ Society  
Completed Bachelors Degree at BYU in just 2 years  
One of Kaplan’s highest rated teachers in the nation for student score improvement  
Very friendly, patient, and experienced working with students of all levels

**How To Enroll in the ACT Class**

(1) Go to: http://TutorsAcrossAmerica.com/ACTcourse  
(2) Scroll down to ACT WEEKEND BOOTCAMP  
(3) Enroll as directed  
(4) Las Vegas Academy Students: Use coupon code: LVA at checkout
FAQs

Why does the ACT matter?
ACT (or SAT) scores are generally the most important factor universities use in determining scholarship offers. The test scores are second only to GPA in terms of admissions decisions. A good ACT score can mean thousands (or tens of thousands) in scholarships. By scoring a 21 on the ACT, students qualify for the Millennium Scholarship ($10,000). By scoring a 22+, students often qualify for small scholarships at most Universities. By scoring 26+, many schools offer mid-level scholarships (thousands to tens of thousands of dollars at most universities, and by scoring a 30+, many students qualify for full tuition and full-ride scholarships (potentially over $100,000 in savings if attending an expensive private university).

What if I’m already taking the SAT? Should I take the SAT or ACT???
For most students, the answer is probably both. Every college accepts both tests (last year approximately 47% of college bound US high school students took the SAT and 53% took the ACT). A few students will really excel in one test or the other, and might want to place more emphasis on their preferred test. But for most students, there’s nothing to lose by taking both. Then whichever test the student scores statistically higher on, that will be the only score we’d suggest sending to universities. By taking both, students double their chances of having a great test score to send to college admissions.

How much does ACT prep improve scores?
Our weekend prep camps are averaging 4-7 point improvements per student. That’s the difference between scoring in the 50th percentile, and scoring in the 80th percentile. Or for students who already start out above average, it could be the difference in the 80th percentile, and the Ivy League level 96th percentile.

Is Test Prep really worth it?
It depends. If a student doesn’t plan to attend college, or if his/her family can pay full tuition price at the university of their choice without a hassle, there may not be a need. But if you’re like the majority of families who can’t imagine how they’d pay the insane $50k+ in annual tuition charged by many private universities, test prep can be a worthwhile investment. As our instructor Ryan explained: “The highlights of my career are when students send me excited texts and emails to report their amazing test scores and college admissions letters. But some of my favorite messages are from parents thanking me for helping their children earn full-ride scholarships. One parent whose child received an amazing scholarship to a California school told me: ‘She got a full ride scholarship worth $160k! We’re taking her college fund and spending it on a fabulous cruise!’”