

# Plan Early to Succeed

**College Ready.  
Career Ready.  
Life Ready.**

## College Admission Standards

Colleges differ in their admission standards. The chart below provides the typical range of ACT Composite Scores required for entry.

Admission Standard	Typical Score
Highly Selective	29-31
Selective	27-29
Top Public Universities	24-28
Liberal Arts Colleges	21-28
Open	16-21

### ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION\*

#### Scholars of Highest Distinction

GPA 3.9 - 4.0  
4 AP Courses  
ACT Score of 32 or Higher

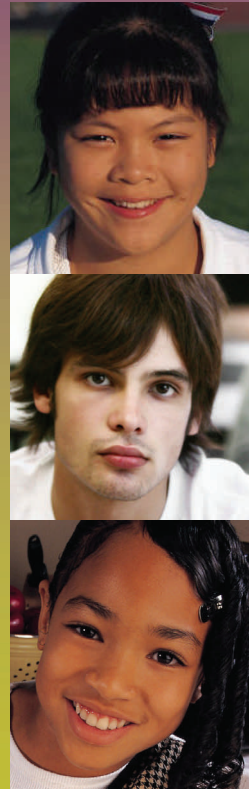
#### Scholars of Distinction

GPA 3.8  
3 AP Courses  
ACT Score of 28 or Higher

#### Scholars of Achievement

GPA 3.5  
2 AP Courses  
ACT Score of 26 or Higher

\*Beginning with Class of 2014



# College and Career Readiness

**Rochester Community Schools**

## Why College Readiness?



Rochester Community Schools has set the goal of College Ready, Career Ready, Life Ready for all students. We want to ensure that students graduating from our high schools are prepared for the college or workforce training of their choice.

Rochester Community Schools has implemented a rigorous curriculum. Research confirms the results and benefits of a rigorous core curriculum for all students, whether they plan to go to college or to work after high school.

For every student to be prepared for the future, students, parents, teachers, and administrators must:

- ✓ Help students set goals for what they want to do after high school.
- ✓ Begin planning for their high school courses in middle school.
- ✓ Encourage students to take rigorous high school courses.
- ✓ Systematically monitor student progress in those courses.
- ✓ Make timely interventions when students fall behind.
- ✓ Measure student progress regularly.

## What is College Readiness?

ACT defines college readiness as the level at which students make a successful transition to college or the workplace without the need for remediation.

EXPLORE, PLAN, and ACT assessments have been developed by ACT to measure student progress toward college readiness. Rochester Community Schools has implemented these assessments to monitor and evaluate student progress in reaching this goal.

- ✓ 7th Grade EXPLORE
- ✓ 8th Grade EXPLORE
- ✓ 9th Grade PLAN
- ✓ 10th Grade PLAN
- ✓ 11th Grade ACT/MME

ACT has established benchmarks for each assessment that can be used to predict a student's readiness for college level work.

### College Readiness Benchmark Scores

Subject Test	EXPLORE Test Scores		PLAN Test Scores	ACT Test Scores
	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11
English	13	14	15	18
Mathematics	17	18	19	22
Reading	15	16	17	21
Science	20	20	21	24