

SAT Scoring Explanation

EBRW (English/Writing) Score: The lowest score is 200 and the highest score is 800. A score of 480 or higher on the Evidence Based Reading/Writing suggests college-readiness but does not guarantee admissions. **IVCC** requires a score of 500 or greater to demonstrate college-readiness for credit-bearing English coursework. If you scored less than 500, you will need to take the IVCC placement test before registering for courses.

Math Score: The lowest you can score is 200 and the highest you can score is 800. A score of 530 or higher on the math test suggests college-readiness but does not guarantee admissions. **IVCC** requires a score of 560 or greater to demonstrate college-readiness for credit-bearing math coursework. Scores greater than 560 may place you into advanced math coursework. If you scored less than 560, you will need to take the IVCC placement test before registering for courses.

SAT Total Score: The SAT total score is arrived by combining your EBRW and Math scores. The lowest score is 400 and the highest score is 1600.

What SAT total score do I need to get into college? SAT total scores in the range of 840-1200 are considered average. According to the College Board, the average SAT Total score for a college-bound junior is 1083. If you are close to to this score, you will likely be accepted into a variety of colleges and universities (solid grades in rigorous coursework will also be important), but may not be considered at more selective schools. Above average SAT scores (plus a strong overall application) improve your chances of getting into more selective schools. Below are some sample score ranges for various Illinois schools.

A competitive school like Western Illinois University: 850-1125

A very competitive school like Illinois State University: 1060-1270

A selective school like the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign: 1400-1515

A highly selective school like Northwestern: 1430-1560

How does my SAT score compare to an ACT composite score? A comparison chart can be found on the back of this paper.

Concordance (New SAT to ACT)

New SAT to ACT Concordance Table

Table 7

New SAT Total (400-1600)	ACT Composite Score	New SAT Total (400-1600)	ACT Composite Score	New SAT Total (400-1600)	ACT Composite Score	New SAT Total (400-1600)	ACT Composite Score	New SAT Total (400-1600)	ACT Composite Score
1600	36	1330	28	1060	21	790	14		
1590	35	1320	28	1050	20	780	14		
1580	35	1310	28	1040	20	770	14		
1570	35	1300	27	1030	20	760	14		
1560	35	1290	27	1020	20	750	13		
1550	34	1280	27	1010	19	740	13		
1540	34	1270	26	1000	19	730	13		
1530	34	1260	26	990	19	720	13		
1520	34	1250	26	980	19	710	12		
1510	33	1240	26	970	18	700	12		
1500	33	1230	25	960	18	690	12		
1490	33	1220	25	950	18	680	12		
1480	32	1210	25	940	18	670	12		
1470	32	1200	25	930	17	660	12		
1460	32	1190	24	920	17	650	12		
1450	32	1180	24	910	17	640	12		
1440	31	1170	24	900	17	630	12		
1430	31	1160	24	890	16	620	11		
1420	31	1150	23	880	16	610	11		
1410	30	1140	23	870	16	600	11		
1400	30	1130	23	860	16	590	11		
1390	30	1120	22	850	15	580	11		
1380	29	1110	22	840	15	570	11		
1370	29	1100	22	830	15	560	11		
1360	29	1090	21	820	15				
1350	29	1080	21	810	15				
1340	28	1070	21	800	14				

For lower score points, there is not enough data to produce a valid concordance between the new SAT and ACT