



Questions to ask before you test again as a senior

The Initial Facts

- What are your student's test scores so far?
- Are they a good representation of your student's ability?
- Will the current test scores meet your needs?
- Who's interested in improving?
 - parent(s)
 - student
 - both
- Have you worked with a professional?
 - directly-- test expert or tutor
 - indirectly-- group class or online course.

The Goal

- Are there particular schools on your list that may require better test scores?
- Are there particular scholarships that may require better test scores?
- Do you have an exact score that would result in additional scholarship money?

The Student

- Is the student motivated to work hard and improve?
- Does the student have time to dedicate to an additional test and prep?
- What will the student reduce in order to test and prep again?
 - working for a wage
 - pursuing scholarships
 - working on essays and applications
 - participating in extracurricular activities
 - free time
- Does the student need to improve test taking ability or do they need to learn additional material?

The Budget

- Do you have funds available for an additional test?
- Do you have funds available for additional test prep or tutoring?
- Do you feel it's worth it to spend additional money on testing?

Next Steps

- Should you talk to a professional to determine a course of action?
 - School counselor
 - tutor or test prep expert
- Do you need additional information to make an informed decision?
- Is it time to make a decision and move on?
- What exactly are you going to do next?
- What exactly is your student going to do next?
- Have you put your next steps in your calendar and on your to-do list?

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