

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

### HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST (HSPT) SCORES

**1. The scores are not what we expected them to be. What does this mean?**

We know it is not unusual for a student's score on the HSPT to vary from the achievement tests that students take in elementary and middle school. As with any standardized test, we understand that this is her performance on one test on one day, and we use it accordingly. We have already sent your daughter's scores to her eighth-grade teacher/s for their feedback and will have the third very important piece of the puzzle on registration night when you and your daughter will sit with an academic advisor to share additional information to aid in placing her in her classes. An example may be she didn't feel well the day of the test, so her performance on the placement test may have been compromised.

**2. What if my daughter's scores are right on the borderline of your levels? How will we decide her placement?**

Many of you will arrive on the night of freshman registration, and you will find on your daughter's schedule a note from her dean asking, "Would Susie like to try some Honors I classes? Feedback welcomed!" We seek information from you to help us determine the best placement for her.

**3. Who else sees the HSPT scores, and what else are they used for?**

HSPT scores have already been sent to your daughter's eighth-grade teacher for feedback. They are truly used for placement only as she begins at Assumption. Your daughter's performance in the classroom will determine level placement for future courses.

**4. My daughter's scores indicate my daughter needs further testing. What does this mean?**

Assumption has created an assessment that we administer to students who have a score below a pre-determined benchmark in one or more of the sections of the placement test. We ask students to come to Assumption and complete a task that is more similar to classwork to give us additional information to help us more effectively place your daughter.

**5. Do I need my grade school teacher to write a recommendation?**

Since the scores have already been sent to the eighth-grade teacher for feedback, there is no need for you to ask any former or current teacher for a recommendation. If additional information is needed after registration night, your dean will be in contact with you.

### REGISTRATION

**6. What else happens the night of registration?**

You and your daughter will attend a short information session about Assumption's classes and levels and then have the chance to see the newest Tablet PC on display, have the opportunity to pre-order PE uniforms, take time to learn more about athletic tryouts, have time to visit with members of our finance office in the financial aid room, and meet the principal and president.

**7. What do I need to bring with me on the night of registration?**

You should have completed an online registration form and the tuition selection form and submitted a \$225 registration fee prior to the March 5 registration appointment. MySchoolBucks will email you a receipt once you've submitted your daughter's registration form, tuition selection form, and registration fee. If for some reason you are unable to submit an online payment, you will need to bring a check for \$225 and complete a hard copy registration and tuition selection form. Contact

[Kelsey.gunter@ahsrockets.org](mailto:Kelsey.gunter@ahsrockets.org) in the admissions office for pdf versions of these files. Checks may be made to Assumption High School. Credit cards are not accepted on registration night.

**8. Whom should I call if I would really like to speak with someone prior to registration?**

Please contact the school office at 458-9551 and ask for Kathy Fleischer for any questions not addressed in our FAQs. Any questions regarding class placement can be answered at registration on March 5.

**9. We can't make our assigned registration time. What should we do?**

We have assigned specific arrival times to create a better flow and experience for our families as well as prevent congestion and extended waits to speak with your academic advisor. For this reason, we ask that you adhere to your assigned time as closely as possible. We understand that extenuating circumstances can occur, and you may need to arrive earlier or later than your assigned time, but we ask for your patience and understanding if you must arrive outside your assigned time.

**10. I have not made a final decision to attend Assumption at this time. Must I attend registration if it is still one of my choices?**

We believe that attending registration provides answers to many questions and may assist you in your final decision. We recommend that you attend so we may answer any questions you may have. If you choose not to come and pay the registration fee, we cannot secure your daughter's spot in the Class of 2024.

**11. My daughter has recently been diagnosed with a learning difference. Whom should I contact?**

You should contact Laura Cronin, the learning differences specialist for the Class of 2024, at [laura.cronin@ahsrockets.org](mailto:laura.cronin@ahsrockets.org) or 502-271-2580, as soon as possible. You will need to provide copies of all paperwork associated with your daughter's psychoeducational testing to Mrs. Cronin prior to registration.

**12. Does my daughter get to take an elective?**

All courses taken at the freshman level fulfill a graduation requirement. Most freshmen will fulfill their fine art requirement and are able to tell us their preferred choices for these classes. Elective options begin sophomore year.

**13. When do I find out about financial aid?**

Please contact Lisa Raley in our finance office at [lisa.raley@ahsrockets.org](mailto:lisa.raley@ahsrockets.org) or call 502-271-2520 with any questions. Links for financial aid information and the application are provided in your daughter's acceptance email.

**14. How do I know if my daughter received a scholarship?**

Students who received scholarships based on their HSPT score were notified as part of this mailing. Other scholarship opportunities for incoming freshmen can be found on our website at [ahsrockets.org](http://ahsrockets.org) and listed under admissions, or you may contact Jackie Bloyd in our Advancement Office at [jackie.bloyd@ahsrockets.org](mailto:jackie.bloyd@ahsrockets.org) or call 271-2511 for more information.

**15. Summer seminar information was sent in the link of the acceptance email. Is this required?**

While summer seminar is strongly recommended, it is not required. Summer Seminar is offered four different weeks during the summer. Our guidance counselors and student leaders do an excellent job with the weeklong program to help your daughter become acclimated to Assumption High School and her peers in the Class of 2024.