ACT Plus Writing or SAT in lieu of Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP)

Effective immediately, the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) is now accepting ACT Plus Writing and SAT scores in lieu of a passing score on the TAP.

Requirements:

- Receive a composite ACT Plus Writing score of at least 22 OR
- Receive a composite SAT score of 1030 AND
- You cannot have failed the TAP five times AND
- The official score report cannot be more than five (5) years old

Important Information: The policy of accepting these alternate test scores in place of the TAP is currently considered an emergency rule by ISBE and can be in effect until December. This rule will be reviewed mid-September by ISBE. At the time this policy is reviewed, it could be made a permanent rule or could be canceled. We will keep you updated as soon as we know more information.

Information regarding the ACT Plus Writing:

- A composite score means an average of all sections will be used to create the overall (composite) score. (There is not a minimum score requirement on any specific area of the test.)
- The cost of the ACT Plus Writing is $50.50
- Millikin University is a testing center for the ACT Plus Writing test
- Calculators are permissible for use during the Mathematics section
- Additional information, including test dates, registration deadlines, and additional testing centers, can be found on the ACT website (www.actstudent.org)
- To learn how to submit your ACT Plus Writing or SAT scores in lieu of the TAP, go to the Test of Academic Proficiency/ Illinois Basic Skills Test Information section of the PACE website.

If you have questions regarding how this policy will affect you, please contact your academic advisor.