Understanding Your ASVAB Results
What is ASVAB?

• The ASVAB measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success.

• Your ASVAB results, along with “Find Your Interests,” are tools for you to explore different occupations, identify a college major, and find out about your personality.
ASVAB SUMMARY RESULTS

- **Career Exploration Scores**
  These give you an idea of your relative strengths in Verbal, Math, and Science and Technical Skills.

- **ASVAB Tests**
  These are the specific skills that make up the Career Exploration Scores.
  
  **Verbal Skills** are comprised of Word Knowledge and Paragraph Comprehension.
  
  **Math Skills** are comprised of Arithmetic Reasoning and Math Knowledge.
  
  **Science and Technical Skills** are comprised of General Science, Electronic Information, and Mechanical Comprehension.
Percentile scores compare how well you did compared to others in your grade. It tells you what percent of students in your grade did as well or lower than you. 50% is average.

- Anything above 50% is above average.
- Anything below 50% is below average.
Standard Score Bands

- These help you see which areas are your strengths and which areas are your weaknesses – to make comparisons within yourself.
- Any Xs to the right of most of the others are areas of strength.
- Any Xs to the left of most of the others are areas of weakness.
Your Standard Score

- Your standard score is here.
- Scores range from 20 to 80.
- A score of 50 is average.
Military Entrance Score

- Military Entrance Score is also called AFQT.
- Each branch of the military has a different cut off score for qualification.
- Your score is good for 2 years.
- You can retest if you would like to try for a higher score.
- Talk to a recruiter for more information.
Career Exploration Guide

• The Career Exploration Guide will help you understand your scores and explore careers.

• The back of the guide includes an interest inventory called “Find Your Interests.” Completing the FYI will give you codes for your top three areas of interest and help you find careers that match your personality.

• You can also complete the FYI online.
Career Exploration

• Now that you have your ASVAB test results, you are ready to go to the website and have some fun. www.asvabprogram.com
Access this program by using your access code located on the lower right hand corner of your score report.

If you complete the FYI online, the program will automatically calculate your results.
Entering the Website

• Enter your access code here.
Start the FYI

- Click on Take the FYI (Find Your Interests)
Directions for Completing the FYI

• With interest inventories, there are no right or wrong answers.
• For each of the activities in the FYI, ask yourself if you would like or dislike doing that activity.
• Don't be concerned with how well you would do any activity or whether you have the experience or training to do it.
• Go with the first answer that comes to mind.
• If you don't have a strong preference one way or the other, or you are unsure, you can answer Indifferent.
Take the FYI

- Click on Get Started
- You will have about 5 minutes to complete the inventory.
- Be opinionated. Don’t answer every question the same way.
FYI Results

- You will receive two sets of scores.
- Read over the descriptions of each interest code.
- Decide which set of scores best describes you.
- Select either Combined or Gender-Specific.
- Click Choose Set near the bottom of the page.

What does each interest code mean?

Realistic activities often involve practical, hands-on problems and solutions.
Investigative activities involve learning about new subject areas or ideas and allow you to use your knowledge to solve problems.
Artistic activities allow you to be creative and use your imagination to do original work.
Social activities allow you to use your skills and talents to interact effectively with others.
Enterprising activities allow you to take a leadership role.
Conventional activities require attention to accuracy and detail.

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• Click on Explore Careers with OCCU-find.
Exploring Careers

- Find your top interest code.
- Select that code in this list.
- Select your strongest area from the Career Exploration Scores on your ASVAB results.
- Search careers that match your interests.
List of Occupations

- You will get lists of occupations that fit your interests.
- Each list will tell you how important your strength is for the occupations on that list.
After clicking on an occupation...

- You can learn about job expectations, work environment, salary potential related to your career choice by clicking on O*NET online.
- You can view videos about your career choice.
- You can compare careers.
OCCU-find

• Learn everything you ever wanted to know about career fields:
  • Description of the occupation
  • Day to day tasks required
  • Training provided
  • Work environment
  • Entrance requirements
  • Expected salary
Remember!

• Your scores are only an indication of where you were the day you took the test.
• Most people need additional training or education after high school to enter the career of their choice.
• Any additional training or experience you get can change the career areas that you are qualified to enter.
Still Have Questions?

• See your counselor for more information.