

NC State Testing A Parent's Guide



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Objective

Our focus today will be reviewing state required testing for all students in grades 6-12 and what that means for CAVS students learning in a virtual environment.

Topics to be covered:

- *Middle School Test Requirements*
- *High School Test Requirements*
- *Alternate Tests*
- *Process for CAVS*
- *Accessing Test Results*

Why is testing required?

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) designs and manages statewide assessments that are administered to students enrolled in public and charter schools in grades 3–12.

These assessments serve several purposes for the schools, the state, and federal guidelines in efforts to measure student growth as well as curriculum effectiveness.

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Middle School Test Requirements

Benchmarks: to provide teachers and school staff with information regarding student mastery of standards taught in the previous grade level.

- Grades 3-8
- ELA and Math
- Once every quarter
- Students test remotely.

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Middle School Test Requirements

End of Grade (EOG): The EOGs are administered per state and federal requirements:

- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015
- School Achievement, Growth, Performance Scores, and Grades legislation (G.S. §115C-83.15)
- School Performance for the Purpose of Compliance with Federal Law legislation (G.S. §115C-83.16)
- Components of the Testing Program legislation (G.S. §115C-174.11)
- North Carolina State Board of Education Policies TEST-016 (Use of State Designated Assessments for the NC Teacher Evaluation Process), EVAL-004 (Teacher Performance Appraisal Process), ACCT-020 (Accountability Model Components), and ACCT-021 (Accountability Annual Performance Standards).
- Grades 3-8
- Reading and Math; Grades 5 and 8 takes Science as well
- Once per year at the end of the school year
- Students test in-person.

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High School Test Requirements

End of Course Exam (EOC): The EOCs are administered per state and federal requirements:

- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015
- School Achievement, Growth, Performance Scores, and Grades legislation (G.S. §115C-83.15); School Performance for the Purpose of Compliance with Federal Law legislation (G.S. §115C-83.16)
- Components of the Testing Program legislation (G.S. §115C-174.11)
- North Carolina State Board of Education Policies TEST-016 (Use of State Designated Assessments for the NC Teacher Evaluation Process), EVAL-004 (Teacher Performance Appraisal Process), ACCT-020 (Accountability Model Components), and ACCT-021 (Accountability Annual Performance Standards).
- English II, Biology, NC Math 1, NC Math 3
- 20% of the final grade; no shows receive a 0 for the exam
- Once at the end of the semester the course is taken
- Students test in-person.

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High School Test Requirements

CTE Proof of Learning Exams (CTE POL): The CTE POLs are administered per state and federal requirements.

- Various CTE courses; see next slide
- 20% of the final grade; no shows receive a 0 for the exam
- Once at the end of the semester the course is taken
- Students test in-person.

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High School Test Requirements

CTE Proof of Learning Exams (CTE POL): CTE POLs are required for the following subjects:

- AA22 - Animal Science II
- AA23 - Animal Science II-Small Animal
- AA31 - Equine Science I
- AN51 - Natural Resources I
- AN52 - Natural Resources II
- AP42 - Horticulture II
- AP44 - Horticulture II Landscaping
- AS32 - Agricultural Mechanics II
- BA10 - Accounting I
- BA20 - Accounting II
- BB30 - Business Law
- BB40 - Business Management I
- BB42 - Business Management II
- BF10 - Principles of Business and Finance
- BF21 - Financial Planning I
- BF22 - Financial Planning II
- CS11 - Project Management I
- MA52 - Marketing Applications
- MH31 - Sports and Entertainment Marketing I
- MH32 - Sports and Entertainment Marketing II
- MH42 - Hospitality and Tourism
- MI21 - Fashion Merchandising
- CC45 - Career Management
- BI10 - Foundations of Information Technology
- FA31 - Apparel and Textile Production I
- FA32 - Apparel and Textile Production II
- FE11 - Early Childhood Education I
- FE12 - Early Childhood Education II
- FE60 - Child Development
- FH10-Culinary Arts & Hospitality I
- FI21 - Interior Design Fundamentals
- FN41 - Food and Nutrition I
- FN42 - Food and Nutrition II
- HB11 - Biomedical Technology
- HU10 - Foundations of Health Science
- HU40 - Health Science I
- IM21 - Woodworking I
- IT11 - Automotive Service Fundamentals
- IT16 - Automotive Service I
- IT17 - Automotive Service II
- IT30 - Collision Repair Fundamentals

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High School Test Requirements

PreACT: PreACT is a North Carolina State Board of Education requirement (G.S. §115C-174.11[c][4]).

- Grade 10
- English, Math, Reading, and Science
- Fall of 10th grade year
- Students test in-person.

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High School Test Requirements

ACT: ACT® is a North Carolina State Board of Education requirement (G.S. §115C-174.11[c][4]). Policies include ACCT-020 (Accountability Model Components) and ACCT-021 (Accountability Annual Performance Standards); School Achievement, Growth, Performance Scores, and Grades (G.S. §115C-83.15); School Performance for the Purpose of Compliance with Federal Law (G.S. §115C-83.16).

- Grade 11
- English, Math, Reading, and Science
- Spring of 11th grade year - One scheduled day and one make-up day; possible opportunity for student the following fall.
- Students test in-person.

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High School Test Requirements

WorkKeys: ACT WorkKeys® is a North Carolina State Board of Education requirement (G.S. §115C-174.11[c][4]). Policies include ACCT-020 (Accountability Model Components) and ACCT-021 (Accountability Annual Performance Standards); School Achievement, Growth, Performance Scores, and Grades (G.S. §115C-83.15); School Performance for the Purpose of Compliance with Federal Law (G.S. §115C-83.16).

- Students who have completed Career and Technical Education concentrators
- Required by graduation
- Students can earn career certification which may lead to higher pay.
- Students test in-person.

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Other Test Requirements

NCEXTEND1 Alternate Assessments for Reading, Mathematics, and Science (Extended Content Standards): Alternate assessment for EC students who follow “Extended Content Standards” based on IEP requirements

- Takes the place of EOGs for grades 3-8
- Takes the place of EOCs for grades 8-12
- In-person testing

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Other Test Requirements

College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment (CCRAA): Alternate assessment for EC students who follow “Extended Content Standards” based on IEP requirements

- Take the place of PreACT for Grade 10
- Take the place of ACT for Grade 11
- In-person testing

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Other Test Requirements

WIDA: The WIDA Screener Online is the state-designated EL proficiency identification test given to students in second semester grade 1 through grade 12. Students test in-person.

ACCESS: The ACCESS for ELLs is the state-designated EL proficiency test administered annually to kindergarten through twelfth-grade students who have been identified as ELs. Students test in-person.

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CAVS Testing Process

State tests are mandatory! Students who do not meet testing requirements will be submitted for removal from CAVS effective the following semester.

All tests other than benchmarks must be administered in-person.

At this time, all of our in-person tests are given at ERC (Educational Resource Center - 396 Elementary Drive, Fayetteville).

- Personal transportation is preferred, but bus transportation is provided by bussing to the student’s home school. Students may be required to stay at the home school until the end of the school day.
- Students are dropped off by 8am at the back awning.
- Anyone picking up a student must be in PowerSchool or student must have a signed release form.

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Score Reports



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Grades and Attendance

Test Results

Grade History

State Test Reports

Parents can now access state test reports for their children through the **Parent Portal** in PowerSchool.

Email our data manager, Ms. Davis, for Parent Portal access.

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Score Reports

Individual student reports are released by local districts and charter schools.

Current reports available:

[EOG Math Grade 5 2020-21](#)

[EOG Reading Grade 5 2020-21](#)

[EOG Science Grade 5 2020-21](#)

[Information about North Carolina Individual Student Reports](#)

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Questions

Are there any questions about state testing?

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Resources

[NC DPI Testing Site](#)

[ACT Site for PreACT, ACT, and WorkKeys](#)

[CCS Testing Calendar](#)

[PowerSchool Parent Portal](#)

[Printable Resource List](#)

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