



25-26 Testing Information



Parents and students, please check this document frequently for information regarding testing for the 25-26 school year. Information concerning testing is subject to change based on state and local guidelines.

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- **General Information:**

- There are no waivers for state or federal testing or accountability requirements for the 2025-2026 school year at this time. The NCDPI expectations are to move forward as scheduled.
- All state-required tests must be administered in person.
- If you have any questions or concerns regarding testing, please contact Ms. Avala Nealy at (Avala.Nealy@nhcs.net).

- **ACT**

- This is a state-required
- The ACT is a state-required exam provided to **all 11th-grade students**
- Format: Online
- Date(s): March 24, 2026 - April 3, 2026
- Hanover Main Dates: March 24-March 26th
- **What is it and why is it important?** The ACT is a standardized, curriculum-based, multiple-choice achievement test that includes four areas: English, mathematics, reading, and science. The ACT assesses skills and knowledge that are important for success in college.
- **How are the results used?** The ACT score report provides information about a student's educational needs, extracurricular achievements, and educational plans. Results are used by high schools for advising and counseling students. Colleges and universities may use results to make decisions regarding admissions, scholarships and loans, and course placement. Check with individual colleges and universities for any ACT-specific requirements.
-  ACT Testing Exception Process and Forms.pdf
- If you have any questions regarding the administration of this exam, please contact Ms. Avala Nealy (avala.nealy@nhcs.net) .

- **AP:**

- [2025-2026 AP Exams. Please see here for full information. Teachers will provide students with the join codes. A join code must be entered for a student to be registered for their exam\(s\).](#)
- If you have any questions or concerns regarding AP courses, please contact Jen Smith at (jennifer.smith3@nhcs.net).



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- **CCRAA10**

- This is a state-required
- The College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment is a state-required exam for selected students
- Administration Window: November 3 - November 7, 2025
- Format: Online
- The administration will work with selected students to notify them of testing information

- **CCRAA 11**

- This is a state-required
- The College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment is a state-required exam for selected students
- Administration Window: February 24 - March 7, 2025
- Format: Online
- The administration will work with selected students to notify them of testing information

- **CTE Exams**

- Career & Technical Education Classes (CTE) will hold final exams at the same time as the EOC Exams. The testing schedule will follow the schedule outlined for EOC Exams.
- For information regarding CTE classes, please contact Ms Kristy Prokop. (kristy.prokop@nhcs.net), Sheila Sokolinsky (sheila.sokolinsky@nhcs.net) or your student's CTE teacher.

- **EOC Exams: *Subject to Change***

- This is a state-required
- **Fall EOC***
 - Dates: January 12 - 16, 2026
 - January 12th: 1st Period Exams
 - January 13th: 2nd Period Exams
 - January 14th: 3rd Period Exams
 - January 15th: 4th Period Exams
- **Spring EOC***
 - Dates: June 1 - June 5, 2026
 - June 1st - English 2 EOC
 - June 2nd - Math 1 EOC
 - June 3rd - Biology EOC
 - June 4th - Math 3 EOC
 - June 5th - Make-Up EOCs



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- EOC Exams will count as 20% of the student's final grade
- Exams given for: Math 1, Math 3, Biology, English 2
- **All students must take their exam in person, at school**
- **End of Semester Exams - Teacher Created (all courses that do not have an EOC or are not a CTE Course)**
 - Per NHCS Policy: "In courses that offer credit toward high school graduation, an examination shall be administered at the conclusion of each semester. End-of-Course examinations required by the State Board of Education shall be utilized in lieu of a teacher-developed examination and shall count as twenty percent (20%) of the final grade, if the exam score is available, with the exception of students following the Occupational Course of Study."
 - All courses that are not a CTE course or an EOC Course (EOC Courses = Math 1, Math 3, Biology, and English 2) will have a teacher-made assessment.
 - Teacher-made assessments will be provided: TBD
 - These assessments will be calculated as 20% of the student's final grade
 - Teachers will be releasing information concerning the specifics for their teacher-made assessment
 - For information regarding teacher-made assessments, please contact your student's teacher ([Faculty & Staff](#)).
- **NC Check-ins**

NC Check-Ins	Semester	Window #1*	Window #2*
English 2	Fall	Complete by October 10	Complete by November 21
	Spring	Complete by March 6	Complete by April 24
	Year-long	Complete by November 25	Complete by March 18
NC Math 1 and NC Math 3	Fall	Complete by November 7	Complete by December 18
	Spring	Complete by April 2	Complete by May 15
	Year-long	Complete by December 18	Complete by May 15

*Please check with your child's teacher for specific administration dates.

NC Check-Ins	Semester	Window #1*	Window #2*	Window #3*	Window # 4*
Biology	Fall	Complete by October 10	Complete by November 7	Complete by November 21	Complete by December 19



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Biology	Spring	Complete by March 6	Complete by March 27	Complete by May 1	Complete by May 15
	Year-long	Complete by November 14	Complete by January 28	Complete by March 17	Complete by April 24

***Please check with your child's teacher for specific administration date**

- **NCEXTEND**

- This is a state-required
- The assessment of NC Extended Content Standards is a state-required assessment for selected students
- Format: Paper
- Date(s): June 1 - June 5, 2026
- The administration will work with selected students to notify them of testing information

- **NCVPS EOC Exams**

Dates:

- Fall: TBD
- Spring: TBD
- Exams given for: Math 1, Math 3, Biology, English 2
- All students must take their exam in person, at school
- More information will be provided as the exam schedule is created
- Students with NCVPS EOCs will be notified prior to testing
- For information regarding NCVPS courses, please contact Mr. Jacen Murphy (jacen.murphy@nhcs.net) or your student's NCVPS teacher.

- **PreACT**

- This is a state-required
- Date: November 3, 2025 (Makeup -November 5, 2025)
- Who will test: All 10th-grade students will report to school in person for this exam. It is offered at no cost to the student or their families.
- Testing start time: no later than 8:30 am
- School will start the day with (TBD block) and hold students until testing has ended
- Release time: Students will report to class when testing has finished. Students may not leave the testing site early.
- Testing Materials: All testing materials (including calculators) will be provided by the school. Students may bring non-mechanical number 2 pencils.



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- PreACT Resources for Students: Please [click this link](#) to access information regarding student resources
- Prohibited Materials: [Cellphones and electronic devices](#) (including smartwatches, earbuds, etc.) are not allowed in the testing room. Students must ensure that these devices are turned off and are stored in their bags, out of sight.
- Locating Assigned Testing Rooms: Student rosters and listed testing rooms will be posted in the cafeteria hallway, on the windows of the Media Center hallway, and on the windows at the Main Office on the day of the exam.
- Test Format: Online
- If you have any questions regarding the administration of this exam, please contact Ms. Avala Nealy (avala.nealy@nhcs.net).

- **PSAT . **Registration is now closed****
 - Date: October 14, 2025
 - Registration will close on August 29, 2025 at 4:00 pm, or when 100 registrations are reached. **Registration is now closed**
 - Who will test: All students who registered for the exam
 - Testing start time: Arrival at 8:00 am. The test will promptly begin at 8:30 am
 - Release time: Students will be released when testing has finished. Students may not leave the testing site early.
 - Students must use a school issue device.

- **WIDA ACCESS for ELs:**
 - This is a state-required, annual assessment of EL progress
 - Dates:
 - January 26, 2026 - February 20, 2026
 - More details to come (Más detalles por venir)
 - If you have any questions regarding this assessment, please contact Ms.Vionette Escudero at (vionette.escudero@nhcs.net)
 - The administration will work with selected students to notify them of testing information.

WIDA Screener for ELs

- This is a state-required
- Within 30 days of enrollment
- If you have any questions regarding the administration of this exam, please contact Ms.Vionette Escudero (vionette.escudero@nhcs.net).
- The administration will work with selected students to notify them of testing information.



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WorkKeys:

- This is a state-required

Dates:

- Fall: November 17, 2025 - December 5, 2025
- Spring: February 17, 2026 - February 27, 2026
- **Who takes it?** Students enrolled in Grade 12 who are identified as Career and Technical Education (CTE) concentrators.
- **What is it and why is it important?** The ACT WorkKeys assessments measure foundational skills required for success in the workplace and can increase opportunities for career changes and advancement.
- **How are the results used?** By completing the assessments, students can earn the National Career Readiness Certificate® (NCRC®).
- For information regarding CTE concentrators, please contact Ms Kristy Prokop. (kristy.prokop@nhcs.net), Sheila Sokolinsky (sheila.sokolinsky@nhcs.net) or your student's CTE teacher.