

Quick Reference for Placement Testing

- Placement testing is free to JJC students; non-JJC students may complete placement testing for a fee.
- Placement testing is currently being offered in-person on a walk-in basis.
- Remote placement testing is only available for students who are out of state at another university/college or students with a disability that have an approved accommodation which allows them to take placement tests remotely. Visit the [Placement Testing](http://jjc.edu/placement) website for more information.
- Placement testers must present a valid, current photo ID.
- For information about hours of operation, locations, parking, testing accommodations, testing guidelines, and scheduled/ unscheduled closures, visit the [Testing Services webpage](http://jjc.edu/testing-services).
- Testing Services administers Accuplacer and ALEKS placement testing to incoming JJC students.
- **Accuplacer** – Valid for 48 months and scores from another institution may be submitted to Testing Services
 - Computer-based, untimed exam
 - Scores used for placement into courses with English and geometry score prerequisites
 - Testing includes:
 - English (reading and writing)
 - ESL (for non-native speakers)
 - Geometry (scores do not expire)
 - Math (JJC accepts official Accuplacer Next Generation Math reports from other institutions)
- **ALEKS** – Valid for 24 months and proctored test scores from another institution may be submitted to Testing Services
 - Computer-based, untimed exam
 - Scores used for placement into courses with math score prerequisites
 - Testing includes:
 - Math (excluding geometry)
- Placement testing scores are subject to change; the most valid information will always be posted on the Testing Services webpage: jjc.edu/placement. This site includes a directional video and detailed explanations about submitting ACT, AP, GED, HiSET, H.S. GPA, PSAT or SAT scores. The page also outlines the process to arrange Testing Services to proctor placement testing at your high school.
- Students may meet placement testing requirements in a variety of ways. Below is a brief overview; for a more detailed explanation, visit jjc.edu/placement-measures for a full list of placement measures.

Quick Reference for Alternate Placement Measures

- **ACT** – Valid for 48 months and should be submitted to JJC Admissions Office
 - ACT English score of 19 or higher places student into ENG 101 or 130.
 - ACT Math score of 22 or higher places student into MATH 119*, 123*, 127, 128, 131*, or 138*.
 - ACT Math score of 23 or higher places student into MATH 142*.
 - ACT Math score of 28 or higher places student into MATH 170.
 - *These courses also have a geometry prerequisite.
- **AP** – Should be submitted to the JJC Academic Credentials Office; AP scores and their JJC course equivalents found on the Credit for Prior Learning Page at <https://jjc.edu/student-resources/transfer-information/prior-learning>
- **GED** – Valid for 48 months and should be submitted to JJC Admissions Office
 - GED Language Arts score of 165 or higher places student into ENG 101 or 130.
 - GED Math score of 165 or higher places student into MATH 119*, 123*, 127, 128, 131*, 138*, or 142*.
 - *These courses also have a geometry prerequisite.
- **High School GPA for ENG 101 placement** – Valid for 48 months from the date of graduation and should be submitted to JJC Admissions
 - Accept high school GPA for ENG 101 placement.
 - Must provide an official transcript with 7 OR 8 consecutive complete semesters AND unweighted/cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher AND successful completion (C or better) in English in all semesters.
 - JJC will evaluate all official high school transcripts using the unweighted/cumulative GPA at the time of submission. GPAs will not be retroactively evaluated using past semesters.
 - Only total unweighted/cumulative GPA will be accepted. Semester or Yearly GPA will not be accepted.
 - 7 semester transcripts are valid for 48 months from the date of submission. 8 semester transcripts are valid for 48 months from the date of graduation.
 - **Please note: High school transcripts may be flagged for placement review. If flagged, additional information may be required to verify placement eligibility.**
- **High school GPA for college-level math placement** – Valid for 48 months from the date of graduation and should be submitted to JJC Admissions
 - Accept high school GPA for MATH 119*, 123*, 127, 128, 131*, and 138* placement.
 - Must provide an official transcript with 7 OR 8 consecutive complete semesters AND unweighted/cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher AND successful completion (C or better) in math in all semesters.
 - JJC will evaluate all official high school transcripts using the unweighted/cumulative GPA at the time of submission. GPAs will not be retroactively evaluated using past semesters.
 - Only total unweighted/cumulative GPA will be accepted. Semester or Yearly GPA will not be accepted.
 - 7 semester transcripts (only for use by current high school students) are valid for 48 months from the date of submission. 8 semester transcripts are valid for 48 months from the date of graduation.



- *These courses also have a geometry prerequisite.
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- **HiSET** – Valid for 48 months and should be submitted to JJC Admissions Office
 - HiSET Reading score of 15 or higher places student out of ENG 021.
 - HiSET Writing score of 15 or higher places student out of ENG 099.
 - HiSET Reading score of 15 or higher, AND HiSET Writing score of 15 or higher, places student into ENG 101 or 130.
 - HiSET Math score of 15 or higher places student into MATH 119*, 123*, 127, 128, 131*, 138*, or 142*.
 - *These courses also have a geometry prerequisite.
- **PSAT** – Valid for 24 months and should be submitted to JJC Admissions Office
 - PSAT (10 or NMSQT/11) English score of 480 or higher places students into ENG 101.
 - PSAT (10 or NMSQT/11) Math score of 510 or higher places students into MATH 127 and MATH 128.
 - PSAT (10 or NMSQT/11) Math score of 530 or higher places students into MATH 123*, MATH 131*, and MATH 138*.
 - PSAT (10 or NMSQT/11) Math score of 590 or higher places students into MATH 142*.
 - PSAT (10 or NMSQT/11) Math score of 660 or higher places students into MATH 170.
 - PSAT scores acceptable from sophomore (10th grade) or junior (11th grade/NMSQT) year only.
 - *These courses also have a geometry prerequisite.
- **SAT** – Valid for 48 months and should be submitted to JJC Admissions Office
 - SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing score of 480 or higher, earned after March 2016, places student into ENG 101 or 130.
 - SAT Math score of 530 or higher, earned after March 2016, places student into MATH 119*, 123*, 127, 128, 131*, or 138*.
 - SAT Math score of 590 or higher, earned after March 2016, places student into MATH 142*.
 - SAT Math score of 660 or higher, earned after March 2016, places student into MATH 170.
 - *These courses also have a geometry prerequisite.
- **TASC** – Valid for 48 months and should be submitted to JJC Admissions Office
 - TASC Language Arts Reading score of 580 or higher places student out of ENG 021.
 - TASC Language Arts Writing score of 560 or higher, AND TASC Essay score of 6 or higher, places student out of ENG 099.
 - TASC Language Arts Reading score of 580 or higher, TASC Language Arts Writing score of 560 or higher, AND TASC Essay score of 6 or higher, places student into ENG 101 or 130.
 - TASC Math score of 560 or higher places student into MATH 119*, 123*, 127, 128, 131*, 138*, or 142*.
 - *These courses also have a geometry prerequisite.
- **Transition English** – Valid for 36 months from the date of high school graduation that appears on the official high school transcript on file with JJC Admissions Office
 - If students successfully completed a Transitional English (portability code TE001) class in high school, they can place into the following JJC class: ENG 101 or ENG 130.



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- **Transition Math** – Valid for 18 months from the date of high school graduation that appears on the official high school transcript on file with JJC Admissions Office
 - If students successfully completed a STEM Pathway (portability code TM001) class in high school, they can place into the following JJC classes: MATH 119 - Technical Math, MATH 123 - Math for Elementary Teachers I*, MATH 127 - Math for General Education, MATH 128 - Elementary Statistics, MATH 131 - College Algebra, or MATH 138 - Pre-Calculus I (*This course also has a geometry prerequisite).
 - If students successfully completed a Quantitative Literacy and Statistics Pathway (portability code TM002) class in high school, they can place into the following JJC classes: MATH 119 - Technical Math, MATH 127 - Math for General Education, or MATH 128 - Elementary Statistics.
 - If students successfully completed a Technical Math Pathway (portability code TM003) class in high school, they can place into the following JJC class: MATH 119 - Technical Math.
 - **Please note: High school transcripts may be flagged for placement review. If flagged, additional information may be required to verify placement eligibility.**

Quick Reference Alternate Placement Measures – Temporary Measures

- **SAT for MATH 150 and 153 placement** – Valid for 48 months and should be submitted to JJC Admissions Office
 - SAT Math score of 660 places student into MATH 150 and MATH 153.
 - **Temporary measure valid for fall 2020 through summer 2025 registration.**
- **PSAT for MATH 150 and 153 placement** – Valid for 24 months and should be submitted to JJC Admissions Office
 - PSAT (10 or NMSQT/11) Math score of 660 or higher places students into MATH 150 and MATH 153.
 - PSAT scores acceptable from sophomore (10th grade) or junior (11th grade/NMSQT) year only.
 - **Discontinued as of 09/01/2025**