



New Code Update

*Temporary and Proposed Rule Effective June 16, 2017. Pending legislative vote to finalize in 2018. Updated language indicated in **bold**. See "Notes" section for clarity and guidance.*

IDAPA 08 Title 02 Chapter 03 **08.02.03 – Rules Governing Thoroughness** **105. High School Graduation Requirements**

03. College Entrance Examination. (Effective for all public school students who enter grade nine (9) in Fall 2012 or later.) (3-12-14)

a. A student must take one (1) of the following college entrance examinations before the end of the student's eleventh grade year: SAT or ACT. **Students who participated in the Compass assessment prior to its final administration may also use the Compass to meet this requirement. Students receiving special education services through a current Individualized Education Plan (IEP) may utilize the ACCUPLACER placement exam in lieu of the SAT or ACT.**

b. A student who misses the statewide administration of the college exam during the student's grade eleven (11) for one (1) of the following reasons, may take the examination during their grade twelve (12) to meet this requirement: (3-25-16)

- i. Transferred to an Idaho school district during grade eleven (11) and has not previously participated in one of the allowed college entrance exams outlined in Subsection 03.a;
- ii. Was homeschooled during grade eleven (11) and is enrolled in an Idaho high school as a diploma seeking student; or
- iii. Missed the spring statewide administration of the college entrance exam dates for documented medical reasons. (3-12-14)

c. A student may elect an exemption from the college entrance exam requirement if the student is:

- i. Receiving special education services through a current Individual Education Plan (IEP) that specifies the student meets the alternate assessment eligibility criteria;
- ii. Enrolled in a Limited English Proficient (LEP) program for three (3) academic years or less; or (3-12-14)
- iii. Transferring from out of state to an Idaho high school in grade twelve (12).

d. A school district, on behalf of a student, on a form established by the State Department of Education, may submit an appeal application requesting the Superintendent of Public Instruction or their designee consider another college entrance exam or college placement exam to fulfill this requirement, or exempt the student due to extenuating circumstances.

Notes:

There is no fall senior makeup test date. Seniors who are not exempt from the college entrance exam requirement based upon the above, will need to pay for the test on their own. When applicable and approved, staff may submit an appeal based upon the extenuating circumstances that led to the student not taking an exam their junior year.

Counselors and/or school level test supervisors will be required to seek documentation from a student if they are seniors and meet criteria within b.iii above. The test admin for these students will be in the spring during established school day statewide date(s). If seniors need an admissions test for college application purposes prior to spring, they will need to pay for this at their own expense.

NEW IN YOUR ROLE? THINGS TO DO:

1. Ensure you touch base with your district test coordinator on district level logistics that may influence or determine your school(s) registration process for the PSAT and SAT.

2. Create a College Board Educator Account (college board website)

3. Subscribe to SDE Assessment Newsletter for biweekly updates, including College Entrance Exams. To subscribe, email: Beverly Bracewell
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TEST INFO & IMPORTANT DATES

PSAT

PSAT School Day: October 11, 2017

PSAT Test Material Order Deadline: Sept. 22

PSAT Accommodations Deadline: August 22

State funding for the sophomore administration of the PSAT/NMSQT continues. While PSAT is not mandatory, we encourage schools to take advantage of the opportunity.

Immediate Action Item: Order PSAT Test materials from PSAT site- off the main College Board website. An established educator account and access code will be needed if not accessed before.

SAT

SAT School Day: April 10, 2018

SAT Makeup Day (only chance for juniors who miss primary date to test at state's expense):
April 24, 2018

Upcoming Fall Action Item: *Intake form: You will receive an email seeking updates and contact information for key school staff involved in the spring statewide SAT School day. Stay tuned for key calendar dates and deadlines.*

ACCUPLACER

ACCUPLACER- Placement Exam is a College Board coordinated assessment. It is approved as an option for students on Individual Education Plans to meet the College Entrance Exam Graduation Requirement. ACCUPLACER has on demand availability. Test administrator account access will be necessary to retrieve and set up the test. Stay tuned for fall training opportunities related to the ACCUPLACER PLACEMENT Exam.

Resources

SDE: <http://sde.idaho.gov/assessment/college/>

College Board: <https://www.collegeboard.org/>

PSAT Ordering Site: <https://professionals.collegeboard.org/test-ordering-services>

ACCUPLACER: <https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/>



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