

Accuplacer FAQ's

Q: What is the Accuplacer?

A: The Accuplacer is an online, **untimed**, adaptive, **multiple choice** placement test designed to measure your preparedness in the areas of reading, writing, and math. The test is adaptive meaning that the questions increase or decrease in difficulty depending on your answers as you work through the test.

Q: When can I take the Accuplacer?

A: Accuplacer testing days and times are:

- Mondays through Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to Noon
- Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (**Appointments required!**)

Q: Where do I take the Accuplacer?

A: The Accuplacer is given in the Testing Center, which is located on the second floor of the El Dorado Conference Center, room 220.

Q: How do I make an Accuplacer appointment?

A: Contact the Testing Center to make your testing appointment by either calling 870-864-7196, emailing testing@southark.edu, or by stopping by room 220 on the second floor of the El Dorado Conference Center.

Q: Where do I pay for the Accuplacer?

A: Payment for the **\$10** Accuplacer fee is made at SouthArk's Bookstore, which is located on the first floor of the El Dorado Conference Center.

Q: When do I get my Accuplacer Score Report?

A: Score reports are available **immediately after** you finish the test. At that time, testers are directed to see their Student Advising Coach to review their scores for course placement.

Q: Can I retake the Accuplacer?

A: YES. You may retake the Accuplacer **after 24 hours**. If you take the test multiple times, only the highest scores are considered for course placement. The practice and review of skills are encouraged prior to testing and for retesting. See the reverse side of this handout for some test prep information and practice tests.

Q: How many questions are on the Accuplacer?

A: There are a certain number of questions asked in each section of the Accuplacer. Most testers finish the test within **1 to 2 hours**.

- Reading – 20 questions
- Writing – 25 questions
- Math – 20 questions (QAS – Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra and Statistics)

Q: What scores do I need on the Accuplacer?

A: Accuplacer scores assist in determining course placement for students. The Accuplacer score range is from 200 to 300.

Accuplacer Scores (Next Generation)		SouthArk Course Placement
Writing	Reading	
234 or below		English I
235 – 245		English II
246 – 252		Composition I with Lab
253 +		Composition I
Math (QAS)		
242 or below		Elementary Algebra
243 – 255		Intermediate Algebra or Tech Math
256 +		College Algebra

Q: What do I need to bring on testing day?

- Current **Photo ID** and receipt of payment (\$10) issued from the Bookstore.
- **No handheld calculator is allowed.** An on-screen calculator is available on certain questions.
- Scratch paper and pencils are supplied by the Testing Center.
- All personal belongings, including cell phones and all wrist-wear items, are stored in lockers provided by the Testing Center.

Q: What Accuplacer test prep information is available?

Reading and Writing Skills

- www.chompchomp.com (Great for sentence structure, subject-verb agreement, etc.)

Math Skills

- www.math.com
- www.coolmath.com
- www.khanacademy.org
- www.hotmath.com

Practice Tests

- <http://accuplacerpractice.collegeboard.org> (study app)
- <https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students> (sample questions - printed format)
- www.practiceaccuplacertests.com
- www.mometrix.com/academy/accuplacer-test
- www.test-guide.com/Accuplacer

Contact the Testing and Learning Center for additional information!
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www.southark.edu/student-services/resources/testing-center