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OHIO'S STATE TESTS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS, MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE & SOCIAL STUDIES

Why do students take state tests?

State achievement tests tell us how well our students are growing in the knowledge and skills outlined in Ohio's Learning Standards. These tests help guide and strengthen future teaching so we can be sure that we are preparing our students for long-term success in school, college, careers and life.

Which tests will be given for what grade level?

Grades 3-8

	English Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	Social Studies
Grade 3	X	X		
Grade 4	X	X		X
Grade 5	X	X	X	
Grade 6	X	X		X
Grade 7	X	X		
Grade 8	X	X	X	

GRADUATION TESTING REQUIREMENTS (End-of-Course Exams)

Grades 9-12

For Students Who Need to Pass the Ohio Graduation Tests (OGT): Class of 2017 will be the last class of students to take the current OGT.

- Utilize the Ohio Department of Education Website: (Blue prints, previous tests, etc.)
- 5 Content Tests: Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies

What It Takes to Earn an Ohio Diploma Graduating Classes of 2018 and Beyond

House Bill 487 updated Ohio's graduation requirements to ensure that all students are ready for success in college and work. As a result, the Class of 2017 (10th-graders in the 2014-2015 school year) will be the last students to take the current Ohio Graduation Tests. The new requirements take effect with students entering ninth grade in the 2014-2015 school year (Class of 2018). Additionally, every student in the Class of 2018 and beyond will have the opportunity to take a nationally-recognized college admission exam free of charge in Grade 11. The honors diploma remains another option for students.

I. Curriculum Requirements

1. Remain unchanged. Refer to Part I of the list above

2. New: All student take end-of-course exams
 - Algebra I, Geometry or Integrated Math I & Integrated Math 2
 - Biology
 - American History and American Government
 - English I and English II

*Students studying Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB) or taking dual enrollment in biology, American History, or American Government may take assessments aligned to those courses in lieu of end-of-course exams to avoid double testing.

3. New: Meet one of the following three:
 - a. Earn a cumulative passing score on seven end-of-course exams. The State Board of Education has set the minimum number of cumulative points at 18. Each student must earn the minimum number of points to be eligible to earn a diploma.
 - b. Earn a “remediation-free” score on a nationally recognized college admission exam such as ACT or SAT. The state of Ohio will pay for all 11th grade students in the Class of 2018 and beyond to take the exam free of charge.
 - c. Earn a State Board of Education-approved, industry-recognized credential or a state-issued license for practice in a career and achieve a score that demonstrates workforce readiness and employability on a job skills assessment.

II. Assessments

In addition to course credits, students will earn points toward graduation on seven end-of-course exams. These exams will replace the Ohio Graduation Tests.

The courses in which students take an end-of-course exam will be: English I, English II, Algebra I, Geometry (or Integrated Math I & II), Biology, American History and American Government.

Students can earn from 1 – 5 points for each exam, based on their performance.

- 5 – Advanced
- 4 – Accelerated
- 3 – Proficient
- 2 – Basic
- 1 – Limited

*You may also refer to the Ohio Department of Education Website. Search: graduation requirements