

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING AND PLACEMENT

MCCCD has adopted multiple placement measures to help students select the most appropriate English, Reading and Math courses for their educational goals. Students who meet the standards, identified below using their high school transcript, GED or ACT score are encouraged to use that measure as their primary placement tool in lieu of taking the Accuplacer exam. Students who wish to take the Accuplacer test for additional placement options are welcome to do so. Please meet with an Academic Advisor prior to enrollment to ensure appropriate course selection.

High School Transcript Requirements:

- Student has completed at least two years of high school coursework and the last date of high school attendance was within the last 10 years.
- Student's high school transcript includes an unweighted, cumulative high school GPA of 2.6 or higher, based on a 4.0 scale

GED: GED exam completed no earlier than January 2014; scores are valid for placement for 5 years.

ACT: Placement based on individual subject area test scores; scores are valid for 5 years.

HS GPA	English Course Placement	
3.25-4.0	ENG101/107 – Consider Honors (may not be offered on all campuses)	
2.6-3.24	ENG 101/107 First Year Composition	
Below 2.6	Take WritePlacer	
ACT (English)		
18 or higher	ENG 101/107 First Year Composition	
Below 18	Take WritePlacer	
GED (Reasoning Through Language Arts)		
165 or higher	ENG 101/107 First Year Composition	
Below 165	Take WritePlacer	
WritePlacer		
5-8	ENG 101/107 First Year Composition	
3-4	ENG 091 Preparatory Academic Writing III, ESL 097	Accelerated courses may be available, please speak with your advisor to determine your best option.
2	ENG 081 Preparatory Academic Writing II, ESL 087	
0-1	ENG 071 Preparatory Academic Writing I, ESL 077	
HS GPA	Reading Course Placement	
3.0-4.0	CRE 101*, CRE 111 Critical and Evaluative Reading *CRE 101 requires completion of ENG 101/107 with a grade "C" or better	
2.6-2.99	RDG 100, 111, 112, or 113 Successful College Reading	
Below 2.6	Take ACCUPLACER Reading Test	
ACT (Reading)		
22 or higher	CRE 101*, CRE 111 Critical and Evaluative Reading *CRE 101 requires completion of ENG 101/107 with a grade "C" or better	
18-21	RDG 100, 111, 112, or 113 Successful College Reading	
Below 18	Take ACCUPLACER Reading Test	
GED (Reasoning Through Language Arts)		
175-200	CRE 101*, CRE 111 Critical and Evaluative Reading *CRE 101 requires completion of ENG 101/107 with a grade "C" or better	
165-174	RDG 100, 111, 112, or 113 Successful College Reading	
Below 165	Take ACCUPLACER Reading Test	
ACCUPLACER Next Generation Reading		
261-300	Exempt from CRE101 – this placement does not expire	
249-260	CRE 101*, CRE 111 Critical and Evaluative Reading *CRE 101 requires completion of ENG 101/107 with a grade "C" or better	
237-248	RDG 100, 111, 112, or 113 Successful College Reading	
225-236	RDG 081 Reading Improvement or RDG095 Intensive Foundation for College Reading	
200-224	RDG 071 Basic Reading or take the CELSA test if ESL	
ACCUPLACER Classic Reading		
92-120	Exempt from CRE101 – this placement does not expire	
74-91	CRE 101*, CRE 111 Critical and Evaluative Reading *CRE 101 requires completion of ENG 101/107 with a grade "C" or better	
56-73	RDG 100, 111, 112, or 113 Successful College Reading	
37-55	RDG 081 Reading Improvement or RDG095 Intensive Foundation for College Reading	
20-36	RDG 071 Basic Reading or take the CELSA test if ESL	
*ASSET Reading	*COMPASS Reading	Reading Exempt Scores with Prior Test Instruments
47-53	91-99	*READING EXEMPT – The Reading Exempt Score does not expire. MCCCD no longer accepts ASSET/COMPASS scores from other schools; MCCCD will honor scores posted in the MCCCD SIS prior to July 1, 2012

HS GPA	Math Course Placement
3.0-4.0	MAT150, 151, 152, MAT182 (if concurrently enrolled in MAT150/151/152), MAT187
2.6-2.99	MAT 112, MAT 120, 121, 122 , MAT 140, 141, 142, 155, 156 or take the Advanced Algebra test
Below 2.6	Take the Accuplacer Math test
ACT (Math)	
22 or higher	MAT150, 151, 152, MAT182 (if concurrently enrolled in MAT150/151/152), MAT187
18-21	MAT 112, MAT 120, 121, 122 , MAT 140, 141, 142, 155, 156 or take the Advanced Algebra test
Below 18	Take the Accuplacer Math test
GED (Math)	
175 or higher	MAT150, 151, 152, MAT182 (if concurrently enrolled in MAT150/151/152), MAT187
165-174	MAT 112, MAT 120, 121, 122 , MAT 140, 141, 142, 155, 156 or take the Advanced Algebra test
Below 165	Take the Accuplacer Math test
Accuplacer Next Generation Advanced Algebra & Functions	
276-300	MAT212, MAT213, MAT220, MAT221, or lower level MAT course
263-275	MAT 172, MAT 206 or lower level MAT course
237-262	MAT 150, 151, 152 , MAT 182 (if concurrently enrolled in MAT150/151/152), MAT 187
200-236	Take the Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra & Statistics test
Accuplacer Next Generation Quantitative Reasoning & Statistics	
263-300	MAT 112, MAT 120, 121, 122 , MAT 140, 141, 142, 155, 156 or take the Advanced Algebra test
237-262	MAT 090, 091, 092, 145
200-236	MAT 081, 082, 083, 085, 095, 096, 126, 146 or take the Arithmetic test.
Accuplacer Next Generation Arithmetic	
263-300	MAT 090, 091, 092, 145 or take the Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra & Statistics test
200-262	MAT 081, 082, 083, 085, 095, 096, 126, 146
Accuplacer Classic College Level Math	
60-120	MAT212, MAT213, MAT220, MAT221, or lower level MAT course
54-59	MAT 172, MAT 206 or lower level MAT course
32-53	MAT 150, 151, 152 , MAT 182 (if concurrently enrolled in MAT150/151/152), MAT 187
20-31	Take the Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra & Statistics test
Accuplacer Classic Elementary Algebra	
70-120	MAT 112, MAT 120, 121, 122 , MAT 140, 141, 142, 155, 156 or take the Advanced Algebra test
50-69	MAT 090, 091, 092, 145
20-49	MAT 081, 082, 083, 085, 095, 096, 126, 146 or take the Arithmetic test.
Accuplacer Classic Arithmetic	
75-120	MAT 090, 091, 092, 145 or take the Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra & Statistics test
20-74	MAT 081, 082, 083, 085, 095, 096, 126, 146
CELSA	
ESL Course Placement	
0-7	Level Basic I: ESL001 Basic English as a Second Language I, RDG008 Phonics
8-15	Level Basic II: ESL 002 Basic English as a Second Language II, RDG 008 Phonics
16-29	Level I: ESL 010 Grammar, ESL 011 Listening & Speaking, ESL 012 Writing with Oral Practice, ESL 014 Idiomatic English, RDG/ESL016 Reading ESL I
30-38	Level II: ESL 020 Grammar, ESL 021 Listening & Speaking, ESL 022 Writing with Oral Practice, ESL 024 Idiomatic English, RDG/ESL026 Reading ESL II
39-50	Level III: ESL 030 Grammar, ESL 031 Listening & Speaking, ESL 032 Writing with Oral Practice, ESL 034 Idiomatic English, RDG/ESL036 Reading ESL III
51-66	Level IV: ESL 040 Grammar, ESL 041 Listening & Speaking, ESL 042 Writing with Oral Practice, ESL 044 Idiomatic English, RDG/ESL046 Reading ESL IV
67-75	Transitional: Meet with your Advisor or Testing Services for appropriate placement in English & Reading courses

Students will be permitted one re-test in English, reading, or math level after at least a 24-hour waiting period. **ONE additional re-test is permitted no sooner than three months from the oldest valid score date at any course placement testing site.** Course placement scores, with the exception of the reading exemption scores, will be valid for two years from the date of the original or re-test assessment. Note: Not all courses are offered at all college locations. Students should verify that the course they seek is offered at the college they select prior to registration.