

Update #: 19  
 Title: **New Benchmarks for SAT**  
 Type: Since the College Board has redesigned the SAT, there are new benchmarks, which have been updated in the Math placement policy (VCCS 6.4.0.2.1), the English placement policy (VCCS 6.4.0.2.2), and the Dual Enrollment Admissions tables for career technical and transfer (VCCS 6.0.1.1). This revision impact both regular student and dual enrollment student admission.  
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Math Placement

Test scores are valid for two (2) years after the date of the test. Students who take the mathematics placement test and who do not enroll in developmental math are allowed to take one (1) retest within twelve (12) months. Students who attempt a developmental mathematics course will be ineligible for a retest. Exceptions to this retest policy may be made on a case-by-case basis in accordance with established college procedures. A student who provides official evidence of a minimum score of 550 on the mathematics section of the SAT or a minimum score of 22 on the mathematics section of the ACT, taken within the last two years may be exempt from taking the VCCS mathematics placement test based on the mathematics requirements in the student’s academic plan.

English Placement

Test scores are valid for two (2) years after the date of the test. Students who take the English placement test and who do not enroll in developmental English are allowed to take one (1) retest within twelve (12) months. Students who attempt a developmental English course will be ineligible for a retest. Exceptions to this retest policy may be made on a case-by-case basis in accordance with established college procedures. A student who provides official evidence of a minimum score of 560 (combined score) on the Writing/Reading sections of the SAT, or a minimum score of 18 on both the English Test and Reading Test of the ACT, taken within the last two years, is exempt from taking the VCCS English placement test.

Dual Enrollment Student Admissions

Admission Criteria for Transfer Courses

	Virginia Placement Test (VPT)	Compass	Asset	PSAT	SAT	ACT	SOL
English/ Writing	ENG 111	76	43	N/A	N/A	18	N/A
Reading	ENG 111	81	42	N/A	N/A	18	N/A

Writing/ Reading	ENG 111	N/A	N/A	390	560	N/A	N/A
Mathematics	MTE 1	25	33	500	550	22	Algebra I - Pass

Admission Criteria for CTE Courses

	Virginia Placement Test (VPT)	Compass	Asset	PSAT	SAT	ACT	SOL
English/ Writing	ENF 1	32	35	N/A	N/A	18	N/A
Reading	ENF 1	62	35	N/A	N/A	18	N/A
Writing/ Reading	ENF 1	N/A	N/A	390	560	N/A	N/A
Mathematics	MTE 1	25	33	500	550	22	Algebra I - Pass