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Title: Admissions – College-ready GED Scores  
Type: VCCS has revised college readiness measures based on the GED exam scores for English and mathematics, as recommended by the GED Testing Service  
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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 one the below test options, taken within the last two years, may be exempt from taking the VCCS mathematics placement test.

- a minimum score of 530 on the mathematics section of the SAT
- a minimum score of 22 on the mathematics section of the ACT
- a minimum score of 165 on the mathematics section of the GED

A placement test may still be required, dependent 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 one the below test options, taken within the last two years, is exempt from taking the VCCS English placement test.

- a minimum score of 480 on the English (ERW) section of the SAT
- a minimum score of 18 on the English section of the ACT
- a minimum score of 165 on the English (RLA) section of the GED