

Placement and Testing Procedures

The College strongly recommends that all students complete a test prep workshop before taking any of the required tests for admission.

New Students

- New students under 21 with ACT sub scores not more than 3 years old (as of first day of class) of
18 in English
19 in Math
19 in Reading
will be considered to be college level and do not need to take additional tests.
- New students under 21 with ACT sub scores not more than 3 years old (as of first day of class) of
<18 in English
<19 in Math
< 19 in Reading
will be required to complete the **placement test**.
- New students who are over 21 and DO NOT have a qualifying ACT will be required to take the **COMPASS** test. These sub scores will determine whether or not a student is required to take the **placement test**.

Transfer Students

- New transfer students must have college-level credit (**A, B, C, or D**) in Math, English, and a Reading intensive course in order to be exempt from testing. If all three areas are not exempted by transfer credit, the student will be required to take the **COMPASS** test in the remaining subject areas.
- New transfer students who have completed (**A, B, or C**) Learning Support competencies at another TBR institution will not be required to repeat those competencies at Pellissippi State.
- Students with a prior degree (associate's or higher) will not be tested.

Re-Admit Students

- Re-admit students who originally placed at college level and did not complete (**they earned a W or F**) a college-level English, Math, or Reading intensive course will be required to take the **COMPASS** test if their test scores are more than 3 years old. These sub scores will determine whether or not a student is required to take the **placement test**.
- Re-admit students who were originally placed in Learning Support courses and did not complete (**they earned a W or F**) those courses will be required to take the **COMPASS** test if their test scores are more than 3 years old. These sub scores will determine whether or not a student is required to take the **placement test**.