

HOW CAN I STUDY FOR THE TEST?

Sample items that illustrate the types of questions you will encounter on the COMPASS placement test can be found at these free websites:

- (1) www.act.org/compass/sample/index.html
- (2) www.testprepreview.com/compass_practice.htm
- (3) <https://web.gsc.edu/fs/mhorton/LSEnglish/?>
- (4) www.math.com
- (5) www.studyguidezone.com

GTCC's Counseling Center offers COMPASS Workshops throughout the year. A list of the dates and times the workshops are offered can be accessed at www.gtcc.edu (click on Students, Services, Assessment Center, Testing Center, COMPASS Workshop Brochure).

Chart Your Success on the COMPASS Test study book may be purchased at the GTCC bookstores or checked out from the GTCC libraries. There is a \$50 deposit (**cash only**) to check out the book, which is refunded upon return.

GED and/or SAT study materials can also help you prepare for the placement test.



Contact Information

From Greensboro 336-334-4822

From High Point 336-454-1126

+ one of the extensions listed below:

Jamestown Assessment Center

Ext. 2299, 2328, or 2661

High Point Counseling Center

Ext. 4171 or 4113

Greensboro Counseling Center

Ext. 4332 or 4301



Assessment Center Rules and Regulations

No Food and Drinks in the Testing Center!

Children are not allowed in the Testing Center and must not be left unattended on campus while you test!

NO CELL PHONES!

A graphic featuring a target icon on the left and a speech bubble on the right containing the text "Test Preparation Pays!". The speech bubble has a yellow background and a black border, with a dotted line trail leading to it.
A cartoon-style illustration of a computer workstation, including a monitor displaying a red line graph, a keyboard, and a mouse.

GTCC Placement Testing

Jamestown Campus
Medlin Campus Center
Room 217

High Point Campus
Building H1
Room 133

Greensboro Campus
CEC Building
Room 132

336-334-4822 ext. 2672

▶ What is the Placement Test?

The placement test evaluates a student's academic skills in Reading, English (Writing), and Math. It is designed to determine whether prospective students are ready to immediately enter college level classes or whether they need some additional preparation.

College applicants must take the test if he or she does not have (1) appropriate SAT/ACT scores, (2) transferable credits in college level English and Math or (3) other comparable placement test scores.

SHOULD I TAKE ASSET OR COMPASS?

The COMPASS placement test is a computer-based version and has no time limit. The ASSET test is a paper and pencil version and each section is timed for 25 minutes. Please see an Admissions Counselor for special permission to take the ASSET Test.

RETESTING POLICY

Retesting is permitted only once in a 6-month period.

Scores are valid for 3 years.

WHERE IS IT GIVEN?

The placement test is administered on a walk-in first come, first served basis at the Jamestown Campus:

Monday-Thursday 8am-6pm

Friday 8am-1:30pm (8am-11am May-July)

Saturday 9am-10am

(Except for college closings, holidays, and other special closing dates)

For testing at the High Point and Greensboro Campuses please call the Campus Counseling Center to make an appointment to take the placement test.

DO I NEED TO BRING ANYTHING THE DAY I TEST?

- (1) Picture ID
- (2) Pencil
- (3) Blue testing card from Enrollment Services (Enrollment Services is not open on Saturday)

A calculator and scratch paper will be provided for you.

IS THERE A CHARGE FOR THE TEST?

NO—there is no fee to take the placement test for GTCC students.

WHAT IF I HAVE A DISABILITY?

If you have a condition that may warrant special testing conditions that include but are not limited to visual, hearing, physical impairments, and learning disabilities, please contact our *disAbility Services* Office at 336-334-4822 ext. 2363 or 2325 prior to testing.

SCORES/RESULTS

The placement test is not pass or fail. Your scores will indicate your placement into either college prep refresher courses or curriculum Math and English courses. Once you complete the test, you will be referred to the Counseling Center or College Transfer Advising Center based on your program of study, to have your scores interpreted.

