



**Los Rios Community College District
Standard Assessment Practices – Effective Oct. 1, 2015
Frequently Asked Questions**

The Los Rios Community College District, effective Oct. 1, 2015, has established standard assessment practices for all four colleges, including important changes to retesting rules. These new practices will apply to every student, regardless of which college(s) they attend and which assessment test(s) they plan to take – English, Reading, English as a Second Language (ESL) and Math. Here are some frequently asked questions and answers about the new practices. For more information, please visit:

<http://success.losrios.edu/assessment.php>

<p>What must students do to prepare for taking the assessment tests?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Students must bring their student ID number and photo ID to the Assessment Center at the appropriate college. Acceptable photo IDs include: Los Rios Student ID card, driver's license/state-issued ID card, high school ID, passport or other college photo ID card. 2. Students should prepare to take any and all assessment tests by using study resources provided by their college. 3. Student must be officially "active" or enrolled for the term – fall, spring or summer – at the college where and when they intend to take their assessment tests. 						
<p>How many times can a student retest?</p>	<p>Students may retest only one time, districtwide.</p>						
<p>How long is the waiting period before a student can retest?</p>	<p>Students may retest after a 30-calendar-day waiting period. If a student received an "undetermined" test result, the student does not need to wait 30 days to retest. If the student's first two math tests result in an "undetermined" placement, the student will be allowed to take the Algebra Readiness test to guarantee a placement.</p>						
<p>Can a student test/retest after starting a course sequence?</p>	<p>No. Students may not test or retest after having started the course sequence. However, they may utilize the course challenge process in their college's appropriate academic department. Students who received a D or F in an English class and have an expired assessment result can go to the admissions office to be authorized to re-enroll in the class. Math students must complete the challenge process.</p>						
<p>Can students retest if their test results / course placements have expired?</p>	<p>Students with expired test results may retest if they have not begun the course sequence. If they have begun the course sequence, they may utilize the course challenge process in their college's appropriate academic department. Students who received a D or F in an English class and have an expired assessment result can go to the admissions office to be authorized to re-enroll in the class. Math students must complete the challenge process.</p>						
<p>Districtwide assessment test expiration policy</p>	<p>For tests taken after Feb. 16, 2013, go to either the September 15 or February 15 date that follows the original test date (whichever comes first), and then add two calendar years.</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;"><u>For example, if you took the test between:</u></td> <td style="width: 50%;"><u>Test results expire:</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feb. 16, 2014 and Sept. 15, 2014</td> <td>Sept. 15, 2016</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sept. 16, 2014 and Feb. 15, 2015</td> <td>Feb. 15, 2017</td> </tr> </table>	<u>For example, if you took the test between:</u>	<u>Test results expire:</u>	Feb. 16, 2014 and Sept. 15, 2014	Sept. 15, 2016	Sept. 16, 2014 and Feb. 15, 2015	Feb. 15, 2017
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