

South Carroll High School

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*** All information is subject to change due to direction from MSDE.

English 10 MCAP Administration: Graduation Requirement (passing score: 725)

- Administered to 10th graders who are enrolled in English 10
- Administered to 11th graders who are enrolled in English 11 have <u>NOT PASSED</u> the English 10 MCAP (PARCC)
- Consists of four (4) units: Each unit is 70-minutes

Algebra I MCAP Administration: Graduation Requirement (passing score: 725)

- Administered to 9th graders who are enrolled in Algebra I
- Administered to remediated 10th graders who have <u>NOT PASSED</u> Algebra I MCAP (PARCC)
- Consists of four (4) units: Each unit is 40 minutes.

MCAP Government Assessment in American Government: Graduation Requirement (passing score: 394)

- Administered to all students who are enrolled in Government
- Administered to all remediated students who have <u>NOT PASSED</u> the Government MCAP (GHSA) and have tested once
- Consists of four (4) units: Each unit is 40 minutes.

Biology Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA) Graduation Requirement (participation only)

- Administered to all students enrolled in Biology this semester
- consists of four (4) units: Each unit is 40 minutes.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What happens if my student does not pass the first administration?

Students who do not pass a MCAP will receive support and remediation in the specified content area, and will be given another opportunity to test. These supports may include online review materials, CAV Time or before, during, or after school review with teachers, and beginning work on a bridge project.

If my student takes the test again and still does not pass, does that mean he/she cannot graduate?

No. Students can complete a Bridge Project for Academic Validation. This/These project(s), once successfully completed by the student, will fulfill their graduation requirement.

What is a Bridge Project?

A Bridge Project is a series of activities and assessments aligned with the core components of the course which corresponds to each MCAP Assessment. These activities are completed under the supervision of an CCPS Faculty member who serves as the "Project Monitor".

How long do Bridge Projects take to successfully complete?

The time it takes complete each project is determined by the subject of the project, and the student's highest score on the prior assessment(s). However, the time commitment is significant. Government Bridge Projects are being revised for Spring 2020.

When can my student start his/her work on a Bridge Project?

Students are eligible to begin work on a Bridge Project as soon as they sit for an assessment for the first time. However, they cannot submit a Bridge Project for grading until they have attempted the corresponding MCAP Assessment twice.

Why would a student begin working on a Bridge Project before he/she can submit it for scoring?

Beginning work on a Bridge Project provides a student the opportunity to review and revisit key learning from the course which will be on the assessment. It may help the student pass the assessment the second time they take it.

Can my student work on his/her project from home?

No. Unfortunately, the material in the project is secure. Students may only access the material under the supervision of trained MCPS staff.

Who grades the Bridge Projects?

Completed Bridge Projects are submitted to CCPS Central Office Personnel for scoring.

College and Career Readiness (CCR): What is it?

Under §7-205.1 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland: "Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, all students shall be assessed using acceptable college placement cut scores no later than 11th grade to determine whether the student is ready for college-level credit-bearing course work in English Language Arts, Literacy and Mathematics."

Students are assessed at the end of their 11th grade mathematics and English courses

Frequently Asked Questions:

- 1. If I haven't met CCR, am I required to take an assessment? YES
- 2. Do I need to pass the assessment for graduation? *NO*

Mathematics CCR Assessments		English Language Arts CCR Assessments	
Achieve a 3.0 unweighted GPA		Achieve a 3.0 unweighted GPA	
Assessment Options	Score needed	Assessment Options	Score needed
Algebra II PARCC	4 or 5	English 10/11 PARCC	4 or 5
SAT	500+: taken during 2016/2017 school year 530+: taken during or after 2017/2018 school year	SAT	500+: taken during 2016/2017 school year 480+: taken during or after 2017/2018 school year
ACT	21+	ACT	21+
Accuplacer Next Gen	263+	Accuplacer Next Gen	263+ Reading 263+ Writing ***both cut scores must be met
AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC Statistics	3+	AP Engl. Lang./Comp. AP Engl. Lit./Comp.	3+
Dual Enrollment	Students who have been granted permission to take and are enrolled in a college-level credit-bearing mathematics course by the end of their junior year are considered CCR and do not have to take a CCR assessment.	Dual Enrollment	Students who have been granted permission to take and are enrolled in a college-level credit-bearing ELA course by the end of their junior year are considered CCR and do not have to take a CCR assessment.
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- 3. What happens if I do not pass the 11th grade assessment? *Students will be re-assessed after the 12th grade course if they have not met CCR via other options.*
- 4. What if I think I've already met the CCR requirements? If you have earned the SAT or ACT score requirements, or you believe you are in a dual enrollment course which would deem you CCR, please see Mrs. Maas ASAP so that she can verify your CCR status.