

# Placement Testing FAQ

## What is a placement test?

KYOTE and TABE-A are computerized college placement tests. The purpose of the test is to "place" the student into his/her first math and English courses and to determine the student's reading level.

## What subject areas are tested?

Students may test in three areas: **Math**, **Reading** (comprehension), and **English/Writing** (editing).

## Am I exempt from testing?

ACT (or SAT equivalent) scores of **16 or above in math**, **15 or above in reading**, and **16 or above in English** are required for exemption. Prior college coursework will also be considered when determining test exemption.

## What can I do to prepare for testing?

We have found that these web-based resources help students do their best on the test. All are free!

Math            <https://kctcsowensboro.edready.org/home> - For instructions visit:  
<https://owensboro.kctcs.edu/media/admissions/placement-testing/EdReadyCard.pdf>

Writing        <http://is.gd/octcwritingpractice> (grammar videos)  
<https://is.gd/octccollegewriting>

Reading        <https://is.gd/octccollegereading>

## Can I retake the test?

Yes, students who have taken the **reading** or **mathematics** tests of KYOTE or TABE-A on campus may retest with KYOTE once in a 30 day period. Students who score a 20 or above on KYOTE reading may take the TABE-A English to try and earn a score to exempt themselves from ENG 100. We highly recommend that students practice by using the websites above. If you would like more practice, visit:

- Learning Express - <http://www.learningexpresshub.com/>
- Khan Academy – <http://www.khanacademy.org>

A **\$7.00 fee for retesting in a single subject area** is due at the time of retesting.

## Placement Testing Sessions

### How do I schedule a testing session?

Visit the START Center on the OCTC Main Campus, located on the second level of the Campus Center or call (270) 686-4533 for testing information and scheduling.

| <u>Monday</u> | <u>Tuesday</u> | <u>Wednesday</u> | <u>Thursday</u> | <u>Friday</u> |
|---------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 9:00 am       | 9:00 am        | 9:00 am          | 9:00 am         | 9:00 am       |
| 1:30 pm       | 1:30 pm        | 1:30 pm          | 1:30 pm         |               |
|               |                |                  | 5:30 pm         |               |