

High School Student Progression Plan Update 1-5-12

College Readiness 1008.30 (3) F.S.

Schools are required to evaluate the college readiness of all students before the beginning of grade 12, regardless of their postsecondary plans. Schools shall administer the Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT) or equivalent test identified in State Board Rule 6A-10.0315, F.A.C., to all students who score at Level 2 or 3 on the reading portion of the grade 10 FCAT or Level 2, 3, or 4 on the mathematics assessments (2011 HB 1255).

High schools are required to (1) advise students of any identified deficiencies and (2) require postsecondary preparatory instruction for students who do not meet the state established college-ready cut score in reading, writing or mathematics. Such students **must** complete postsecondary preparatory instruction in their senior year. This is a high school graduation requirement for students whose PERT scores indicate a need for additional preparation to be ready for college-level work. Other elective courses may not be substituted for the required postsecondary reading, writing or mathematics preparatory courses unless the elective course covers the same competencies included in the postsecondary reading, writing or mathematics courses.

Reading/Writing/Mathematics for College Success are semester courses that have been developed to meet the postsecondary preparatory instruction requirement. They align with the highest level of developmental education courses offered by Florida College System institutions and the Postsecondary Readiness Competencies.

The Postsecondary Readiness Competencies can be found on the Division of Florida Colleges College and Career Readiness website at <http://www.fldoe.org/cc/collegecareerreadiness.asp>. A PERT Study Guide can be found at <http://fldoe.org/schools.pdf.PERT-StudentStudyGuide.pde>.

Regardless of postsecondary preparatory requirements, students must also meet all other graduation requirements. The purpose of the postsecondary preparatory instruction requirement is (1) to prepare students for entry level college credit courses as well as gainful employment and (2) to reduce the number of high school graduates needing college remediation before enrolling in college-level courses.

State Board Rule 6A-10.0315 established approved placement assessments and cut scores for entry into college level coursework as provided in the table below. A student who has met the cut-score on any of these tests does not need to take the PERT.

Placement Assessment	Writing Cut Score	Reading Cut Score	Math Cut Score
PERT	99	104	113
Accuplacer	83	83	72
SAT-I	440	440	440
ACT	17	18	19

Students who demonstrate readiness by achieving the minimum test scores established by the State Board and enroll in a Florida College System institution within two years of achieving such scores shall not be required to retest or enroll in remediation when admitted to any Florida College System institution.

Language arts semester elective options to prepare deficient students for college success include:

- Reading for College Success (1008350) - .5 credit semester elective course
- Writing for College Success (1009370) - .5 credit semester elective course

To eliminate adding additional graduation requirements, schools could schedule students for English IV: Florida College Prep (1001405), a 1 credit high school course which may be used as one of the four English courses required for graduation.

The mathematics semester course to prepare deficient students for college success is:

- Math for College Success (1200410) - .5 credit semester course

Math for College Readiness (1200700) is a 1 credit year long course which mirrors the 3 semester-hour college credit postsecondary course, Intermediate Algebra, MAT 1033. This course is NOT considered remediation. It is recommended for students scoring between:

- 113-122 on PERT
- 72-86 on CPT/Math
- 440-520 on SAT Math
- 19-22 on ACT Math

Full credit courses that are aligned to the Postsecondary Readiness Competencies and count toward graduation requirements in the subject area are:

- Math for College Readiness (1200700)
- English IV: Florida College Prep (1001405)

Current course placement score ranges for the PERT are:

Mathematics			
Lowest level developmental education	Math for College Success (1200410)	Scores of 50-95	.5 elective credit
Higher level developmental education	Math for College Success (1200410)	Scores of 96-112	.5 elective credit
Intermediate Algebra (MAT 1033)	Math for College Readiness (1200700)	Scores of 113* -122	1.0 credit – counts toward math requirement and approved for Bright Futures and NCAA eligibility

*113 is the college-ready cut score for mathematics.

Reading			
Lower level developmental education	Reading for College Success (1008350)	Scores 50-83	.5 elective credit
Higher level developmental education	Reading for College Success (1008350)	Scores 84-103	.5 elective credit
Freshman Composition Skills I (ENC 1101)	English 4: College Prep (1001405)	Scores 104* -150	1.0 credit – counts toward English requirement and approved for Bright Futures and NCAA eligibility

**104 is the college-ready cut score for reading.*

Writing			
Lower level developmental education	Writing for College Success (1009370)	Scores 50-89	.5 elective credit
Higher level developmental education	Writing for College Success (1009370)	Scores 90-98	.5 elective credit
Freshman Composition Skills I (ENC 1101)	English 4: College Prep (1001405)	Scores 99* -150	1.0 credit – counts toward English requirement and approved for Bright Futures and NCAA eligibility

**99 is the college-ready cut score for writing.*