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## OFFICIAL TEST SCORES AND PLACEMENT TESTING

For some applicants, placement testing is not required to determine college readiness and course placement.

## **Exempt Status**

Pursuant to Florida State Board of Education Rule 6A-10.0315, students are exempt from the requirements of common placement testing and, therefore, are exempt from mandatory developmental education requirements if they meet the following criteria:

- Student who entered 9th grade in a Florida public school in the 2003-2004 school year, or any year thereafter, and earned a Florida standard high school diploma
- Student who is serving as an active duty member of any branch of the United States Armed Services

Exempt students shall not be required to take the common placement test and shall not be required to enroll in developmental education instruction in a Florida College System institution. This exemption enables enrollment in any college credit course that does not require a college-level prerequisite. This exemption does not include Dual Enrollment students. Exempt students are encouraged to complete placement testing to assess their college-readiness or opt to complete placement testing and enroll in developmental education instruction.

## **Non-Exempt Status**

Students who do not meet the above criteria will follow the College's established placement testing requirement. Specifically, they will take the Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT) and the results will be used to determine the most appropriate course placement. Official scores American College Testing Program (ACT) or the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) taken within two years of enrollment can also be used for initial placement. Students who do not meet college-ready scores will be required to enroll in developmental education.