

What's New with ACT State Testing?

ACT continually makes enhancements to systems, services, and products to better serve our customers. The following changes have been made since the last test cycle.

Address Change Request Web Form

PearsonAccess^{next™} does not have a function for changing physical addresses. However, you can now submit address change requests via an ACT [online form](#). Please use this form to let us know about address changes.

English Learner Supports

Expanded offerings for English learners taking ACT[®] WorkKeys[®] assessments are available for spring 2018. In addition to the existing supports, examinees can now use written translated test directions available in 12 languages.

New ACT WorkKeys Tests Portfolio

ACT launched a new portfolio of the ACT WorkKeys tests and ACT[®] WorkKeys[®] NCRC[®] credential. The content is contemporary and relevant to today's workplace skills, keeping pace with the impacts of new technology in the workplace. The names of the tests have changed to be more representative of the skills being addressed. The table below compares the previous names to the new names:

Previous Name of Tests and Credential	New Name of Tests and Credential
Applied Mathematics	ACT WorkKeys Applied Math
Locating Information	ACT WorkKeys Graphic Literacy
Reading for Information	ACT WorkKeys Workplace Documents
ACT National Career Readiness Certificate (ACT NCRC)	ACT [®] WorkKeys [®] National Career Readiness Certificate [®] (ACT WorkKeys NCRC)

Note: The time to take each test will now be 55 minutes for standard time administrations.

ACT WorkKeys Online Testing Platform

The ACT WorkKeys online tests are delivered on a new and improved testing platform called TAO. It offers increased performance stability for a better user experience. The registration process in Validus remains the same. Even though the proctor has a new interface to monitor and manage examinees, the transition will be seamless.

ACT WorkKeys Scoring and Reporting

Scores ranging from level 3 to level 7 must be achieved on each of the tests to qualify for an ACT WorkKeys NCRC. The certificates are still issued at Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum skill achievement levels. The design of the individual (examinee) score reports for paper testing are aligned with and match the online testing score reports. Additionally, for paper testing there is expanded access to generating score reports through the online reports portal in Validus. The ACT WorkKeys NCRC has also been redesigned for a fresh look with the new test names.