

Schedule of Events

Test Dates

Test	Type of Testing	Date/Window
PreACT® Test—Paper	Standard time and accommodations and/or supports	October 12, 2020 – May 14, 2021

Communications

ACT communicates with the school test coordinator (TC), and the district test coordinator (DTC) about upcoming activities. Additional testing staff include: the room supervisor (RS), Test Accommodations Coordinator (TAC) and the proctor (P). ACT does not communicate with any other staff. The school test coordinator is responsible for including testing staff in activities and training opportunities.

**Note: In many cases the role of TC and TAC are shared by the same person at a school.*

Contact Information

ACT General Questions:

800.525.3731

[PreACT Contact Form](#)

State Policy Questions:

Please contact your Regional Accountability Coordinator (RAC).

Website

Your North Carolina [State Testing Website](#) is a one-stop-shop for all of your resources.

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PREPARE FOR TESTING			
August 3, 2020	September 11, 2020	TC	Manage participation and shipping dates in PearsonAccess ^{next} ™
August 3, 2020	September 11, 2020	TC	Verify the shipping address in PearsonAccess ^{next} Submit an Address Change Request form if the address needs updating.
August 3, 2020	September 11, 2020	TC, TAC	Adjust accommodations and/or supports for eligible examinees <i>Note: TCs adjust the material counts on the Edit Enrollment screen to receive the appropriate materials</i>

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August 3, 2020	September 11, 2020	TC	<p>Verify student enrollment for test materials and enroll/unenroll students who need to be added or removed in PearsonAccess^{next}</p> <p><i>Note: Students added after this deadline will only receive barcode labels if they are loaded into PearsonAccess^{next} before the Additional Order is placed.</i></p>
Available beginning August 24, 2020		DTC, TC, RS, P	<p>View the North Carolina PreACT Training Webinar, a Q&A session about test administration for the 2020-2021 North Carolina PreACT.</p> <p>On-Demand viewing link: https://event.on24.com/wcc/r/2408919/8095C4D468E38325230F78C464D234F1</p>
September 17, 2020	May 9, 2021	TC, DTC	<p>Additional orders may be placed in PearsonAccess^{next}</p> <p><i>Note: Students must be loaded into PearsonAccess^{next} before the Additional Order is placed in order to receive barcode labels. If a student has previously received a barcode label, they will not receive another. For example, if a student transfers after receiving a PreACT barcode label, they will not receive an additional barcode label at the new school.</i></p>
September 28, 2020	May 13, 2021	ACT	<p>Test materials shipping window</p> <p>Schools that have not received testing materials by December 16, 2020 should contact ACT customer care immediately.</p>
Once materials arrive	Prior to test administration	TC	<p>Train room supervisors and proctors. Prepare rooms and materials.</p>
October 12, 2020	May 14, 2021	TC, RS, P	<p>Administer the PreACT on paper with standard time during the standard time testing window.</p>

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October 12, 2020	May 14, 2021	TC, RS, P	<p>Administer the PreACT on paper with accommodations and/or supports during the accommodations testing window.</p> <p><i>Note: It is recommended that examinees take all four subject tests on the same day, however examinees must complete an entire subject test on the same day. For the 2020-21 school year, we are also allowing PreACT modular testing, to provide greater flexibility. For example, schools may administer English/Math on day 1, and Reading/Science on day 2, or any combination of tests. Test Booklets need to be collected at the end of each test session and students are not allowed to return to previous test sections, nor advance to future test sections, within a session. Testing should be complete within a single week.</i></p>
The day after testing is completed		DTC/TC	<p>Package all completed answer documents and return them to ACT using the prepaid return shipping labels.</p> <p>Receipt deadline at ACT: June 1, 2021</p> <p><i>Note: Late-arriving answer documents will not be scored.</i></p>
5 business days after answer documents are received by ACT		ACT	<p>Ship student and school reports. For schools testing in October, student scores and School and District reports will begin posting to the Online Reporting System starting October 26th. For schools testing later, reports will be posted on 5 business days after receipt by ACT.</p>