

Home Education Testing Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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ACT TESTING

How does a Home Education student sign up for ACT testing?

Any student who wants to take the ACT should create an account through the [ACT website](#). Through your ACT account, you can sign up for a test, pay for the test, and view your scores after the test.

Do home education students have to pay for ACT testing?

Yes. You will register and pay for testing through the [ACT website](#).

Are home education students eligible to receive an ACT fee waiver?

Yes. You can [CLICK HERE](#) to review the ACT Fee Waiver Eligibility Requirements and Procedures.

How do I request a fee waiver for ACT?

Email home.education@hcps.net with your request. Please include “ACT Fee Waiver” in the subject line and attach documentation of eligibility as described ACT Eligibility Requirements.

How will I receive my student’s ACT scores?

Scores can be viewed and/or printed through the student’s ACT account.

AP TESTING

Is a home education student required to take an AP test?

No. However, taking the test is the only opportunity to earn college credit for the course.

How does my home education student sign up for an AP test?

Your student will receive information from his/her AP teacher with a deadline to enter the AP join code into the student's myap.collegeboard.org account. Entering the join code into the student's "MyAP" account is how the test is ordered.

Do home education students have to pay for AP testing?

This varies based on the organization through which your student takes their AP course. Contact your student's AP teacher for more information. If you are required to pay for an AP Exam, you can review costs at the following link: [AP Fees](#).

Are there fee waivers available for AP testing?

Collegeboard provides a **fee reduction** per AP Exam for eligible students with financial need. Talk to your AP teacher for more information.

CLT Testing

How does a Home Education student sign up for CLT testing?

Any student who wants to take the CLT should create an account through the [CLT website](#) to create an account and sign up for testing.

Do home education students have to pay for CLT testing?

Yes. You will register and pay for testing through the [CLT website](#).

Are home education students eligible to receive an CLT fee waiver?

Yes. Financial assistance is available for those who are eligible. You can [CLICK HERE](#) for the Financial Assistance Request Form.

How will I receive my student's CLT scores?

Scores can be viewed and/or printed through the student's CLT account.

PSAT TESTING

Does my student have to take the PSAT?

No. The PSAT is a non-reportable test, meaning the score is not accepted by colleges/universities.

Can a Home Education student take the PSAT?

Yes, home education students can sign up to take the PSAT. PSAT is administered in the fall of each year.

How does a Home Education student sign up for PSAT testing?

PSAT information will be posted on the [Home Education web page](#) each year. The information is typically posted in early September with a late September registration deadline.

Do home education students have to pay for PSAT testing?

Yes. The fee is determined by the cost of the test set by Collegeboard.

Are home education students eligible for a fee waiver to take the PSAT?

Yes. If you're in 11th grade and your family's income meets the eligibility requirements, you might qualify for a PSAT/NMSQT fee waiver.

How will I receive my student's PSAT scores?

Students should create an account at Collegeboard.org. Scores can be viewed and/or printed through the student account.

SAT TESTING

How does a Home Education student sign up for SAT testing?

Any student who wants to take the SAT should create an account through the [Collegeboard website](#). Through your Collegeboard account, you can sign up for a test, pay for the test, view your scores, and send scores to colleges/universities.

Do home education students have to pay for SAT testing?

Yes. You will register and pay for testing through the [Collegeboard website](#).

Are home education students eligible to receive an SAT fee waiver?

Yes. You can [CLICK HERE](#) to review the SAT Fee Waiver Service student brochure and [CLICK HERE](#) to apply for a waiver online.

How will I receive my student's SAT scores?

Scores can be viewed and/or printed through the student's Collegeboard account.

STATE ASSESSMENTS

Is my home education student required to take state assessments?

There is **no required state or district testing** for Home Education families since there is no diploma issued through Home Education. However, if your student is planning to return to a public/charter school to earn a diploma through the State of Florida, the student will have to meet math and reading benchmarks before graduation. Students can meet those benchmarks in a variety of ways. [CLICK HERE](#) to review the public-school graduation requirements for Florida's statewide assessments outlined by the Florida Department of Education.

When does state assessment testing take place?

The Florida Department of Education establishes testing windows. Home Education students registered with the district's Home Education Office can participate in state assessments during Progress Monitoring Window 3 (PM 3).

What is the process for a Home Education student to participate in state assessments?

1. There will be a link posted on the [Home Education web page](#) each school year where parents can declare their “Intent to Participate” in state assessments.
2. After the Office of Home Education staff verifies your student’s registration, you will receive a confirmation email. This could take up to two weeks after completing the form.
3. The parent then needs to contact the zoned school to schedule the testing dates/times. The Office of Home Education does not schedule testing with the school.

How do I access my student’s state assessment scores?

Families will access scores through the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) [Family Portal](#).