

Basic Skills Testing: You may combine reading, writing and math module scores from different test providers to meet the basic skills requirements.

You may use the composite score method to meet the requirement when you do well in one or two areas to compensate for a lower score in the other area.

The composite score is the sum of the passing scores. Use the Composite Score Calculator when mixing tests. Note when using the composite score, each test must meet or exceed the minimum score listed.

Composite score calculator

CORE and PAPA Options:

Basic Skills Testing Option: CORE www.ets.org	Passing Scores	Minimum Scores
<i>Reading (5712)</i>	<i>156</i>	<i>148</i>
<i>Math (5732)</i>	<i>142</i>	<i>132</i>
<i>Writing (5722)</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>158</i>
Composite Score Option: Total of all three sections without going below the minimum score is 460		
Basic Skills Testing Option: PAPA www.pa.nesinc.com	Passing Scores	Minimum Scores
<i>Reading (8001)</i>	<i>220</i>	<i>193</i>
<i>Math (8002)</i>	<i>193</i>	<i>176</i>
<i>Writing (8003)</i>	<i>220</i>	<i>192</i>

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Composite Score Option:
Total of all three sections without going below the minimum score is 633

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SAT Options:

Basic Skills Testing Option: SAT	Passing Score	Minimum Score
March 1, 2016 & later		
<i>Critical Reading</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Math</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>24</i>
<i>Writing & Language</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>26</i>
Composite Score Option: Total of all three sections without going below the minimum score is 81		
Basic Skills Testing Option: SAT	Passing Score	Minimum Score
Prior to March 1, 2016		
<i>Critical Reading</i>	<i>500</i>	<i>N/A</i>
<i>Math</i>	<i>500</i>	<i>N/A</i>
<i>Writing</i>	<i>500</i>	<i>N/A</i>

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ACT Options:

Basic Skills Testing Option: ACT September 1, 2016 & later	Passing Score	Minimum Score
<i>Reading</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>Math</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>19</i>
<i>Writing</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>7</i>
Composite Score Option: Total of all three sections without going below the minimum score is 51		
Basic Skills Testing Option: ACT Between September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2016	Passing Score	Minimum Score
<i>Reading</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>Math</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>19</i>
<i>Writing</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>17</i>
Composite Score Option: Total of all three sections without going below the minimum score of 64		

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