

Los Rios

Community College District

Important Message for Students: New Standard Assessment Practices for the Los Rios Colleges

The Los Rios Community College District, effective October 1, 2015, will streamline and standardize assessment practices at the four Los Rios Colleges. This ensures the same rules and practices are applied to all students equitably, regardless of which college(s) you attend and which assessment test or tests you plan to take – English, Reading, English as a Second Language (ESL) and Math.

These new practices will standardize everything from what you must do before taking an assessment test to the rules regarding how, whether and when you can retest.

Here are some of the important details of the new standard assessment practices effective Oct. 1, 2015:

1. A student may only retest one time, districtwide, after a 30-calendar-day waiting period.
2. Assessment is for *initial* course placement only. Any student who has started the course sequence will be referred to that college's appropriate academic department to pursue the Course Challenge Process. This also includes students who have started the course sequence and have not taken the assessment test.
3. Assessment test results are valid for two years. One exception – for any student who assessed prior to Feb. 16, 2013, his/her results will be valid for 3 years from the date of the test.
4. Students with expired test results/course placements may retest if they have not begun the course sequence. If students have begun the course sequence, they may utilize that college's appropriate academic department Course Challenge Process.

For more information please visit: <http://success.losrios.edu/assessment.php> or click [here](#) for Frequently Asked Questions.
