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.