

Administrative Memo

Date: July 7, 2017
To: School Administrators and District Test Coordinators
From: Lisa Sireno, Standards and Assessment Administrator
Subject: CCR-17-001– ACT® Statewide Assessment

Missouri cannot fund the 11th grade census administration of the ACT® in 2018, following a reduction of \$4 million in the state assessment budget. State funding first allowed for an annual administration of the ACT® in 2015 and was sufficient to offer the opportunity again in 2016 and 2017. ACT® testing is not a state or federal requirement.

Options for district-administered testing are available directly through ACT®. Three test dates are available for these administrations in the 2017-2018 academic year: October 3, 2017; February 27, 2018; and April 3, 2018.

Districts may request fee waivers from ACT® that allow high school junior and senior students who qualify for free or reduced-price lunch to test free of charge.

Contact ACT® directly at 319-337-1270 for more information regarding testing fee waivers or district-administered testing.

If you have other questions about the Missouri Assessment Program, contact DESE Assessment at 573-751-3545 or assessment@dese.mo.gov.