



STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION




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State Superintendent of Education

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MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey 
State Superintendent of Education

RE: Assessment Updates to *ACCESS for ELLs*, *Alternate ACCESS for ELLs*,
and *PreACT* Testing Windows

Due to implications surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, some districts have students who have been hindered from participating in *ACCESS for ELLs*, *Alternate ACCESS for ELLs*, or *PreACT*. In an effort to ensure that students have an opportunity to test, we have extended and/or added the following testing windows:

ASSESSMENT	NEW TESTING WINDOW
<i>ACCESS for ELLs</i> and <i>Alternate ACCESS for ELLs</i>	January 19 – April 30, 2021
<i>PreACT</i> – Additional Window	April 19 – 23, 2021

If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Maggie Hicks, Student Assessment Section, at (334) 694-4817 or mhicks@alsde.edu.

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Attachment

cc: City and County System Test Coordinators

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2021 SPRING TESTING DATES

<u>Tests</u>	<u>Testing Dates (Windows)</u>
<i>PreACT – Additional Window</i>	April 19 - 23, 2021
<i>ACT WorkKeys Emergency Paper Testing Option</i>	February 24, 2021
<i>ACT WorkKeys Emergency Paper Testing with Accommodations/Supports</i>	February 24 – March 8, 2021
<i>ACT WorkKeys Emergency Online Testing Option</i>	February 1 – March 8, 2021
<i>ACT WorkKeys Retest Paper Testing Option</i>	April 14, 2021
<i>ACT WorkKeys Retest Paper Testing with Accommodations/Supports Option</i>	April 14 – 16 & 19 - 26, 2021
<i>ACT WorkKeys Retest Online Testing Option</i>	April 14 –16 & 19 - 26, 2021
<i>NAEP (Selected Schools and Grades Only)</i>	Postponed until 2022
<i>ACCESS for ELLs (Online)</i>	January 19 – April 30, 2021
<i>Alternate ACCESS for ELLs</i>	January 19 – April 30, 2021
<i>ACT with Writing Paper Testing – Initial (Window 1)</i>	March 9, 2021
<i>ACT with Writing Paper Testing with Accommodations/Supports – Initial</i>	March 9-12 & March 15-19, 2021
<i>ACT with Writing Online Testing – Initial</i>	March 9-11 & 16-18, 2021
<i>ACT with Writing Paper Testing – Make-up (Window 2)</i>	April 6, 2021
<i>ACT with Writing Paper Testing with Accommodations/Supports – Make-up</i>	April 6-9 & 12-16, 2021
<i>ACT with Writing Online Testing – Make-up</i>	April 6-8 & 13-15, 2021
<i>ACT with Writing Paper Testing – Emergency (Window 3)</i>	April 20, 2021
<i>ACT with Writing Paper Testing with Accommodations/Supports – Emergency</i>	April 20-23 & 26-30, 2021
<i>ACT with Writing Online Testing – Emergency</i>	April 20-22 & 27-29, 2021
<i>ACAP Alternate (Grades 2-8, 10 and 11)</i>	March 1 – April 16, 2021
<i>ACAP Summative (Grades 2-8)</i>	March 15 – April 30, 2021

Dates are Subject to Change