



Qualifying for Dual Enrollment FAQ

Effective for Spring 2021 enrollment, the PERT has been replaced with a new test called the ACCUPLACER. Information about the test and detail on how to register are available at: <https://www.fsw.edu/testing/placementregistration>. If you have passed all three sections of the ACCUPLACER (Reading, Writing, and Math) and expect to have the required minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA by end of sophomore year, you likely don't have any of the following questions:

- 1. If I didn't pass a particular ACCUPLACER section, what are my options?**
 - a. After their initial test, students may retest on any given section of the ACCUPLACER two additional times. Re-testing on the ACCUPLACER requires waiting at least 30 calendar days after the first test and one full semester for the second re-test. Approval of the School Counselor and/or Principal is required. Approval to re-test requires:
 - i. A mathematical possibility of earning the required 3.0 by end of year.
 - ii. Evidence of remediation specific to the section.
 - iii. Support of the appropriate high school teacher for remediation.
 - b. Students may take the ACT or SAT as many times as available. Concordant scores are available at: www.fsw.edu
- 2. What if I don't pass the Reading section?**
 - a. A passing score on reading is required to register for any courses.
- 3. What if I don't pass the Writing but do pass the Reading section?**
 - a. You may register for classes inside the 12-hour rule but cannot take ENC1101 or any writing intensive Humanities course.
- 4. What if I don't pass the Math section?**
 - a. You may register for classes inside the 12-hour rule but cannot take any math or science courses.
 - i. Qualifying for MAT1033 is considered passing. Successful completion of this course during your first semester of college will automatically place you into MAC1105 or MGF1106.
 - ii. Taking MAC1105 any semester during your Junior year completes your high school math graduation requirements. Additional college math courses are available after MAC1105 or MGF1106 to complete the AA.
- 5. Should I try to test into the next level of Math course?**
 - a. In general, the answer is no because:
 - i. Historically, the ACCUPLACER placements have resulted in successful completion of the course and subsequent math courses.
 - ii. It is better to be successful in an easier math course than to struggle in a more difficult course early in your college experience.

- iii. You have four semesters of D.E. enrollment to take courses before you graduate from high school and unless your plans are very math dependent, you will likely complete your math requirements anyway.

6. What is the “12 hour rule?”

- a. For the initial semester of dual enrollment, students with a passing reading score but no passing math or writing may take up to 12 credits in their first semester.
 - i. This exception allows students additional time for remediation of either Math or Writing in pursuit of becoming fully qualified.
 - ii. In the event that students need to register for a second semester of college credit and do not have a qualifying score, please contact the School Counselor for case by case advising.

7. Since final high school GPA calculations are done over the summer by the LCSD mainframe computer after final grades are posted for second semester, how does my current GPA relate to registration opportunities?

- a. If you currently have a cumulative unweighted GPA of equal to or greater than 3.0; you will meet with your advisor, select appropriate classes, and complete the registration process.
- b. If you currently have a cumulative unweighted GPA very close to the required 3.0 and your current course grades are such that it is likely you will end up with a 3.0; you will meet with your advisor, select appropriate classes, complete the registration process.
 - i. Final admission to the college is conditional on the expected 3.0 GPA.
 - ii. You should consider having a backup plan for next year in the event your final grades are not adequate.
- c. If you currently have a cumulative unweighted GPA below the required 3.0 and your current course grades are such that it is mathematically possible you will end up with a 3.0; you may meet with your advisor, select potential classes, and your form will remain at the high school pending final GPA calculation.
 - i. You will not be registered for courses until your final GPA indicates you are eligible.
 - ii. You need a plan for next year in the event your final grades are not adequate.
- d. If it is currently mathematically impossible to earn a qualifying GPA you will not complete the registration process.

8. If it turns out that I cannot dual enroll for my Junior year, can I return to the school?

- a. You may return to FSWC for your Senior year if and when your GPA is above the required 3.0 and by participating in the lottery.
- b. There are no midyear transfers as final mid-year GPA calculations are not complete until well after college registration dates.
- c. Students who are interested in D.E. courses for the second semester of their junior year should work through their host school to qualify and schedule.