

Foothill-De Anza Community College District

Placement Testing Retest Policy



Effective Date: October 9, 2017



OVERVIEW

The Foothill-De Anza Community College District recognizes the importance to student success of correct placement in our courses. To that end, the district has designed the following policies to help students achieve the most appropriate placement:

RETESTING

Students cannot retest in a subject if they have earned a D, F, NP or I grade in the subject/course sequence in which they are seeking a new placement.

English, Reading, Math

After taking the placement test at either Foothill or De Anza College, students may retake the English, Reading, Math placement tests one (1) time at either Foothill or De Anza College, **not both**, within a six (6) month period of the initial date of a placement.

ESL

Because Foothill and De Anza offer different ESL placement tests, students are allowed one (1) initial ESL test, and one (1) ESL retest at Foothill and De Anza College. The ESL retest must occur within a six (6) month period of the initial date of placement.

Before retesting, students are strongly encouraged to prepare and review for the retest. Test preparation and review information can be found at:

- De Anza: deanza.edu/admissions/placement/samples
- Foothill: foothill.edu/assessment/assessment/testprep.html

USE OF THE PLACEMENT SCORE

The student may enroll in the classes noted from their first placement exam or from the retest exam.

EXPIRATION OF ASSESSMENT RESULTS

Assessment results do not expire. However, a student may choose to retest two (2) years from the last recorded placement test date if the student has not earned a D, F, NP or I grade in the subject/course sequence in which they are seeking a new placement.

CHALLENGES/APPEALS

Challenges to placements should be directed to the appropriate Division Office.

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