**ACT with Writing**

**Fall 2020 Administration**

Quick Reference Guide

*For more detailed information, see the Montana ACT site, Fall Testing tab.*

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**NOTICE**

What: Fall 2020 *ACT with Writing* voluntary opportunity, paper testing only
Who: Montana’s 12th grade students
When: Two windows, starting **October 6** and **October 20**
Where: Public and non-public accredited Montana high schools
Why: Replacement for Spring 2020 testing, cancelled due to COVID-19 related school closures

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**Highlights**

**Participation**
- Participation is voluntary.
- Schools must indicate participation preferences and testing dates under “Manage Participation” in Pearson Access Next from August 3—August 28, 2020.

**Student Lists**
- Students enrolled as 11th graders last year have been retained in the system.
- Student records can be updated in Pearson Access Next until August 28.
- Transfer/new students can be added until August 28.

**Requests for Accommodations and EL Supports**
- Spring 2020 approvals have been retained.
- Testing dates must be updated in the Test Accessibility & Accommodations site (TAA).
- New requests are due August 28.
- Late consideration (new students or new designations) due October 2.
- Test Accessibility & Accommodations (TAA) site is open now.

**Test Security, Student Privacy, and Parent Notifications**
- All procedures required for typical ACT administration apply.
- Additional form, ACT Test Coordinator Student Privacy Assurance Form, must be completed by September 23. Access to this form will be emailed separately by mid-August.

**ACT Question & Answer Sessions are being offered soon!**
- August 5, 2020; 3:30-4:30 p.m. MT. Register here.
- August 12, 2020; 3:30-4:30 p.m. MT. Register here.

These details do NOT apply to Spring 2021 administration of the *ACT with Writing*. All tasks listed above must be completed for this year’s 11th grade students starting in November 2020. Refer to the Spring 2021 *ACT with Writing* Schedule of Events for details.