

## **LEAP 2025 End of Course Testing (EOC)**

Testing Window: April 15-May 21

- **What are LEAP 2025 End of Course Tests?**

The LEAP 2025 End of Course tests are exams that measure the content knowledge students have learned at the end of *English I, English II, Algebra I, geometry, biology, and American history*.

- **Can my child still graduate if he/she does not take and pass the LEAP 2025 End of Course Exams?**

No, state policy requires high school students to take and pass End of Course Exams to meet graduation requirements.

- **How do these exams impact my child's report card grade?**

Your child's grade on each end of course exam will count as a 5<sup>th</sup> marking period grade on the report card and 20% of the overall final grade for the course. If your child does not take an End of Course exam, the 5<sup>th</sup> marking period grade will be a failing grade, and that grade will be averaged with the other 4 marking periods to calculate the final grade in the course.

- **How do these exams impact my child's Official State Transcript, overall GPA, and class rank?**

The final grade in End of Course classes is calculated with the EOC weight of 20%. The final grade for every high school course is placed on the Official State Transcript and used in the student's overall grade point average (GPA) and class rank.

- **Will my child fail an EOC course if he/she does not take the exam?**

To pass an End of Course class, students must have 5 quality points instead of 4 quality points like in non-End of Course classes. It is critical to note that even if a student has the quality points to pass an End of Course class, he/she will still need to pass End of Course tests to graduate.

## **ACT Testing**

Test Date: March 9

- **What is the ACT exam?**  
ACT is an exam that measures students' college and career readiness in English, math, science, and reading.
- **Does my child need an ACT score to qualify for scholarships like TOPS?**  
Yes, along with meeting other TOPS requirements, students must have the following ACT composite scores: TOPS Tech, 18; TOPS Opportunity, 20; TOPS Performance, 23; and TOPS Honors, 27.
- **How does the ACT impact dual enrollment coursework?**  
To be eligible to take a dual enrollment course at McNeese or Sowela, students must have a qualifying ACT or ACCUPLACER score.
- **What are the dual enrollment qualifying ACT scores?**  
Students must have a score of 18 in English and a score of 19 in math to be eligible to take dual enrollment.
- **How much does ACT cost?**  
The ACT exam given by CPSB in March is free of charge. If your child takes that ACT exam during one of the national testing dates, the cost is \$55 for the no writing section and \$70 with the writing section.

## **Grades, Graduation, and Course Failures**

- **Will Calcasieu close out final grades by doubling 9 weeks grades like it did last school year?**

No, Calcasieu Parish will follow the standard protocol of using grades students earned for all 4 (or 5 if it is an EOC course) marking periods to close out grades this school year.

- **Will my senior be able to graduate if he/she is not finished with coursework by May 10?**

No, the deadline for seniors to complete all coursework and pass EOCs is May 10.

- **What is the deadline for 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, or 11<sup>th</sup> graders to complete all coursework for the 2020-2021 school year?**

The deadline is May 31.

- **Will summer school be offered for failed courses?**

Yes, students can repeat up to 3 failed courses in summer school. If your child does not attend summer school to pass failed courses, his/her graduation date could be delayed.

- **Can my child take a credit recovery course for a failed class?**

Yes, however, new state guidelines limit the number of credit recovery courses a student can take. The policy allows 2 credit recovery courses per school year and a limit of 7 total to be used to meet graduation requirements. NCAA will not accept credit recovery courses to meet eligibility.