

2026 ACT State Testing

ACT Nevada Achievement Level Cut Scores

TEST	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
ELA	2-11	12-16	17-23	24-36
Math	1-14	15-19	20-25	26-36
	Non-Proficient	Non-Proficient	Proficient	Proficient

The ELA score is the average of English, reading, and writing

ACT Nevada Achievement Level Descriptors

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Student demonstrates minimal understanding of and the ability to apply knowledge and skills associated with college and career readiness.	Student demonstrates partial understanding of and the ability to apply knowledge and skills associated with college and career readiness.	Student demonstrates adequate understanding of and the ability to apply knowledge and skills associated with college and career readiness.	Student demonstrates advanced understanding of and the ability to apply knowledge and skills associated with college and career readiness.
Student needs substantial support to meet the Nevada college and career readiness standard.	Student needs additional support to meet the Nevada college and career readiness standard.	Student meets the Nevada college and career readiness standard.	Student exceeds the Nevada college and career readiness standard.

About the ACT

The Nevada statewide administration of the ACT for the College and Career Readiness (CCR) assessment includes all five skill area tests (English, math, reading, science, and writing).

Score Information

- ACT scores are based on the number of questions answered correctly. There is no penalty for incorrect answers. Each test's raw score (the number of correct answers) is converted to a scale score so results have the same meaning across all ACT test forms, regardless of test date.
- The highest possible ACT score is **36**. This is both the maximum composite score and the maximum score for each individual section (English, Math, Reading, and Science).
- The ACT writing test is scored on a **2–12** scale across four domains: Ideas and Analysis, Development and Support, Organization, and Language Use and Conventions. The overall writing score is the rounded average of those four domain scores.
- **Nevada “college-ready benchmarks”** are minimum scores that recommend a student is ready for college-level math and English courses at Nevada colleges and universities.
 - ACT English – minimum score of **18**
 - ACT Mathematics – minimum score of **22**