



BASIC SKILLS TEST
(also known as COMPASS TEST FOR TEACHER CERTIFICATION)

Name: _____ SS#: _____

Address: _____

Telephone (H) _____ (W) _____

Thank you for your interest in CCCCD's Teacher Certification Program (TCP).

All Applicants to the TCP are required to successfully complete the Basic Skills Test in Reading comprehension, Writing/Communication skills, and Mathematics.

Test Components and minimum required Scores

- **Reading Comprehension- (Required Minimum Passing Score 90%)** Applicants will read several short paragraphs and answer questions in a multiple-choice format. The test will be administered via computer.
- **Writing/Communication skills- (Required Minimum Passing Score 6 out of 8)** Applicants will be required to write an essay. The essay will assess critical thinking and written communication skills. The essay will be typed on the computer.
- **Mathematics- (Required Minimum score of 39 in Algebra)** Applicants will solve mathematical problems in a multiple-choice format. The test emphasizes Algebra but may include Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, and Trigonometry. The test is interactive and will adjust the level of problems to the test-taker's ability level. To meet teacher certification Program standards, one must show competency at **Math 0310 level (Intermediate Algebra)**. The test will be administered via computer.

Please do not bring Calculators. *Testers may use the Scientific Calculator integrated into the Math program.*

Where to take the Test

The Basic Skills Test will be administered by Collin College's Testing Centers. No appointments are necessary.

Tests may be taken at any one of Collin College's Testing Center locations – Testing Center locations, telephone numbers and hours of operation are listed on the next page. see attached information.

Let the Testing Center staff know you need to take the "COMPASS" test for Teacher Certification.

Please allow a minimum of three (3) hours to complete the entire test.

Test is scored by the computer. Following the completion of the test, please ask the testing center for a copy of the test results. You will need to submit the test score with your application.

This letter, along with a Picture ID will serve as your Authorization for admittance to the test.

Please call the Teacher Certification Program (972) 377-1062 for further information or if you have questions.

Note: *Interviewing, assessing, and/or meeting eligibility requirements does not guarantee acceptance into the CCCCD's Teacher Certification Program.*



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TESTING CENTER RULES

NOTE:

- Test may be taken on a Walk-In basis. Please plan to arrive as early as possible.
- Admission to the Testing Center stops 3 hours prior to posted Testing Center closing times.
- Reading and Math portion of the test are not timed. Essay must be completed in 75 minutes.
- Please bring a #2 Pencil to the test.
- All computers are equipped with calculators. **DO NOT BRING YOUR OWN CALCULATORS.**
- No Food or Drink allowed.
- No cell phones, beepers, pagers allowed.
- Picture ID required. (Driver's License, Student ID, Passport).

SPRING CREEK CAMPUS (SCC Room #J232)
2800 E. Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, TX 75074
Phone: (972) 881-5922

Mon – Thurs 8:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Friday 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Saturday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

CENTRAL PARK CAMPUS (CPC Room #B342)
2200 W. University Drive, McKinney, TX 75070
Phone: (972) 548-6849

Mon – Thurs 8:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Friday 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Saturday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

PRESTON RIDGE CAMPUS (PRC Room #F209)
9700 Wade Boulevard, Frisco, TX 75035
Phone: (972) 377-1522

Mon – Thurs 8:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Friday 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Saturday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM