

A student earning unit credit towards graduation for a course requiring an End of Course Test (EOCT) must take the appropriate EOCT regardless of the course title or number.

Any student, regardless of grade level, enrolled in an EOCT course must take the appropriate EOCT. Students included, but not limited to, include the following.

- **Students taking a block scheduled course who complete the full year course in one semester must be tested at the end of that semester.**
- **Students following a traditionally scheduled 36 week course will be tested at the end of the second semester of the course. The EOCT score will be calculated with the second semester course grade. The student will be awarded .5 credit for the first semester course when the course is passed and awarded .5 credit for the second semester course when the course is passed using the course grade determined using the state's EOCT approved calculation in this policy. If the student did not pass the first semester and has not earned the half credit (.5) toward the full-course credit, the student will re-take the first semester course to earn .5 credit needed for graduation.**
- **Students who complete a course at the end of one semester will be tested at the completion of the course.**
- **Middle school students who are enrolled in an EOCT course will be tested, whether or not they receive high school credit. If credit is not given, the diagnostic information will allow students, parents and teachers to make informed decisions for future educational planning.**
- **Students who are dually enrolled in an EOCT course to earn both high school and college credit will be required to take the EOCT to earn credit at the high school level. High schools are responsible for determining that post-secondary courses meet the criteria for dual enrollment. The college instructor must issue a numerical grade for the student for the course to the high school. The college issued grade will be used on the transcript for the college credit. For high school credit, the course grade will be determined using the state's approved calculation in this policy.**
- **Students enrolled in online courses for which they receive graduation credit for one of the required EOCT courses must take the corresponding EOCT. Courses must be approved prior to requesting credit for the course. Grades for online courses will be calculated for high school credit using the state's approved calculation in this policy.**
- **Students enrolled in alternative school settings, including night school and summer school, for which they receive graduation credit for one of the required EOCT courses must take the corresponding EOCT. The testing schedule may be altered from the system test dates to meet the alternative program course schedule if needed.**

- **Students who enroll from non-accredited programs, including but not limited to private schools and home study, may be required to take the EOCT to determine placement at the high school. To earn credit for a course requiring an EOCT, a student enrolling from a non-accredited program must take and pass the corresponding EOCT to be awarded credit by the high school in which the student is enrolling.**
- **If a student is enrolled in a Columbia County high school and takes a course via an alternate venue, the school/system is responsible for ensuring that the course is consistent with the QCC/GPA for the course and that the student takes the EOCT for that course prior to receiving credit.**
- **If a student is enrolled in an EOCT course which is taught over a two-year period, four semesters, the student would take the EOCT at the end of the semester that completes the course and at the time the full credit for the course would be awarded.**

The state's course grade calculation will determine whether or not a student earns credit for an EOCT course.

- **If the student passes the course with a final average of 70 or higher, the student will earn credit.**
- **If the student fails the course with a final average of below 70, the student will not earn credit.**
- **If the student repeats a course to earn credit for graduation for an EOCT course, he/she would participate in the EOCT at the end of the repeated course so that the final course grade can be calculated. EOCT scores will not be banked and no retests will be given.**
- **A copy of the Individual Student Report should be placed in the permanent record as test documentation.**

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