



Dear Parents and Students,

As provided for in amendments to State Board of Education Rule 160-5-1-.15 (AWARDING UNITS OF CREDIT AND ACCEPTANCE OF TRANSFER CREDIT AND/OR GRADES) adopted by the Board in April 2013, the opportunity exists for students to “test-out” of any course for which there is an associated EOCT and earn credit for the course through that process.

Under the provisions of the amended rule and guidelines published by the Georgia Department of Education’s (GaDOE) Office of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment, local boards of education shall award course credit to students who reach the achievement level of Distinguished on an EOC taken **prior** to taking the course. For example, a student may attempt the Biology EOC prior to taking the course. If the student reaches the achievement level of Distinguished, the local board of education shall award the student the Biology course credit. A student may test-out of any course that has an associated EOC. As stated in the Rule, *students may earn no more than three units of credit by demonstrating subject area competency in this fashion.*

Student Eligibility:

Students must meet the following requirements to exercise this option:

1. Not currently or previously enrolled in the course;
2. Have earned a grade of B or better in the most recent course that is the same content area of the course for which the student is attempting the EOC;
3. Received a teacher recommendation from the teacher of the most recent course in the same content area (or, if not available, a teacher in the same content area with knowledge of the student’s academic achievement) for which the student is attempting the EOC; and
4. Received parent/guardian permission if the student is less than 18 years of age.

Students may take these tests in March for this school year. Students will need to complete an application for test-out, get a teacher recommendation, and have parent permission. All applications for March testing will be due by **February 28th** to the guidance counselor at your school. Testing for March will be done March 18-21, 2019.

The cost of each test is \$50 that must be paid BEFORE taking the test. If a student obtains a level of **DISTINGUISHED** on the EOC, the \$50 will be returned. If the student does not **EXCEED**, the fee will be processed. Students may earn no more than three units of credit by demonstrating subject area competency by “testing-out.” Students will not receive Honors credit for these courses.

Please contact your school counselor for more information.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Roe
Pepperell High School Counselor

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Test-Out Information

An eligible student may “test-out” of any of the following Georgia Milestone EOC Courses:

- **Mathematics**
 - Algebra I
 - Geometry
- **Social Studies**
 - United States History
 - Economics/Business/Free Enterprise
- **Science**
 - Biology
 - Physical Science
- **English Language Arts**
 - Ninth Grade Literature and Composition
 - American Literature and Composition

Student eligibility to “test-out”

1. Must not be currently or previously enrolled in the EOC course they are opting to test out.
 2. Must have a B (80 or above) average in the previous course or subject area.
 3. Must have a teacher recommendation from the previous course or subject area.
 4. Must have parent permission.
- Students must earn an achievement level of Distinguished on the EOC to obtain credit for the course. (Proficient does not satisfy this requirement.)
 - Students must pay \$50 up front for the test-out program. (If a student earns a Distinguished level on the test, the \$50 will be reimbursed to the parent/student.)
 - Checks need to be made to Floyd County Schools
 - A student may only take an EOC Test-out test one time. (one time per test)
 - A student may earn only 3 units of credit in the test-out program.
 - A student will NOT receive honors credit for the test-out course.
 - Under NCAA legislation, units of credit earned through demonstration of subject area competency by testing-out of courses using the End-of-Course Tests will not count as a core course credit for athletic aid for any student seeking NCAA Division I or II athletic scholarships.
 - If a student earns credit by exceeding on the test-out EOCT, the final grade on the student’s transcript for the course will be the EOCT score.
 - This will count towards CORE credit and will be a part of a student’s core GPA.
 - There is NO age or grade limit.
 - This is LAW.
 - FCS will offer test-out during the March window.
 - This cannot be given during the main administrations (winter and spring). Only at mid-month.
 - Must be taken on-line.



Student Name: _____

High School: _____

EOC Course Testing Out: _____

Are you currently enrolled in this EOC Course: yes or no

Most recent course that is the same content area of the course for which the student is attempting the EOC: _____

Grade in this course: _____

(Must be a B or higher in this course)

Teacher Name for Recommendation: _____

(Teacher recommendation from the teacher of the most recent course in the same content area (or, if not available, a teacher in the same content area with knowledge of the student's academic achievement) for which the student is attempting the EOC)

Parent Permission for Taking the EOC to "Test-Out"

Yes, I grant permission for my student, _____,

to take the following EOC _____, to test out of this EOC Course and earn high school credit.

I know that the cost is \$50 and must be paid PRIOR to taking the test. If my child earns a level of DISTINGUISHED on the EOC he/she will earn high school credit, the fee will be returned to me. If my child does not get a level of DISTINGUISHED, then the \$50 fee will be processed.

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

**Make Checks payable to Floyd County Schools for \$50.*

*Return this form to the guidance counselor by: FEBRUARY 28, 2019