

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE MULTIPLE PLACEMENT OPTIONS

Students may be exempt from taking a placement exam. Review the following list of Multiple Placement Options. If you have scores or transcripts for any of these options, please follow the instructions in each bullet point to send us your records for evaluation:

1. ALTERNATIVE PLACEMENT PROGRAM: GRADE POINT AVERAGE (APPG): Maryland public high school students may be exempt from English and Math assessments based on their high school records. The following criteria are required for this exemption:

- Montgomery County Public School (MCPS) students: completion of sophomore year
- Non-MCPS students in Maryland: completion of junior year at a public or private high school
- An unweighted, cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher (ESOL classes are not included in GPA calculation)

This exemption grants students the following placements at Montgomery College:

- English: ENGL 101+ ENGL 011. If a higher English placement is desired, please complete the [MC English Guided Placement](#)
- Math: MATH 050/117/120. If higher Math placement is desired, please complete the [MC Math Guided Placement](#)
- The above placements are valid for five years from the date of high school graduation.

MCPS students should submit a [credit application](#) to have their APPG placement information uploaded to Montgomery College students' records. This is an automated process that takes up to two weeks after the student has been admitted to the College.

Non-MCPS students should submit their official high school transcript to [Office of Raptor Central](#) for review.

Students learning in a homeschool environment OR Homeschool students must submit an official transcript from a Maryland homeschool umbrella group for review to the [Office of Raptor Central](#).

2. ALTERNATIVE PLACEMENT PROGRAM: BY SUBJECT (APPE/APPM) - MCPS students may be exempt from English (APPE) and/or Math (APPM) assessment based on completion of certain high school classes with a grade of "B" or better:

- Honors English 12 (APPE)
- AP Language/Composition (APPE)
- Modern World History (APPE)
- Algebra II (APPM)

The following conditions apply to this exemption:

- Must be a MCPS student
- Received "B" or better in the final semester of the class
- English placement is ENGL 101+ ENGL 001. If a higher English placement is desired, please complete the [MC English Guided Placement](#).

- Math placement is MATH 050/117/120. If higher math placement is desired, please complete the [MC Math Guided Placement](#)
- Option applies up to one year after high school graduation

MCPS students must submit a [credit application](#) to have their APPE/APPM placement information transferred to Montgomery College students' records. This is an automated process that takes up to two weeks after the student has been admitted to the college.

3. APPROPRIATE STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES: Students may be eligible for credit-level placement with minimum qualifying scores from these standardized tests:

SAT and ACT scores

	New SAT (After 3/1/2016)	Old SAT (Before 3/1/2016)	SAT Reading Subset	ACT
English / Reading	480+ Evidence-Based Reading/Writing	500+ Critical Reading	26+	21+ Reading
Math	530+	500+	Not Applicable	21+

NOTE: Students with PARCC scores must see a counselor or academic advisor to interpret these scores.

Students should contact the [Office of Raptor Central](#) for instructions on how to submit SAT/ACT scores.

NEXTGEN ACCUPLACER and ALEKS scores

	NEXTGEN ACCUPLACER	ALEKS
English	263+	Not Applicable
Reading	263+	Not Applicable
Math	NGAQ 250-262	30-45

TRANSFER ACCUPLACER SCORES: Students may submit ACCUPLACER scores from another educational institution for evaluation. English and Reading scores should be less than 2 years old. Math scores should be less than 1 year old. Email GuidedPlacement@montgomerycollege.edu for instructions. **Montgomery College does not accept ACCUPLACER ESL scores.**

TRANSFER ALEKS SCORES: Students may transfer ALEKS scores after completing Test #2 or higher. **Diagnostic scores (Test #1) are not acceptable.** Submit your scores for review to: mathadvising@montgomerycollege.edu.

4. **GED** (2014 or later): Maryland students who scored 165 or higher in the Reasoning Through Language Arts module are eligible to enroll in college-level English. Students who scored 165 or higher in the Mathematical Reasoning module are eligible to enroll in college-level Math courses. For evaluation, submit official scores to the [Office of Raptor Central](#).

5. **ADDITIONAL STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES:** Students may be exempt from taking an English or language placement exam by submitting official minimum qualifying scores for:

[Test of English as a Foreign Language](#) (TOEFL)

TOEFL 575+ (paper and pencil test)

TOEFL 90+ (internet-based test)

[International English Language Testing System](#) (IELTS)

IELTS 6.5+

[Pearson Test of English Academic](#)(PTE)

PTE 61 or higher (This does not replace but is an addition to TOEFL and/or IELTS)

Students applying with these scores will still need to complete the [MC Math Guided Placement](#). Students who tested more than 5 years ago may need to complete additional placement requirements. Students should submit test scores to the [Office of Raptor Central](#) for review.

6. **ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) or INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) EXAMS:** Students who have AP or IB exams should submit official records to the [Office of Records and Registration](#) for review. For additional information on AP and IB exams visit this webpage: [Credit for Prior Learning](#).

7. **PASSED ENGLISH COMPOSITION:** Students who have completed a credited/college-level English Composition course of 100 or higher with a grade of “C” or better from an accredited U.S. college or university, should submit an unofficial transcript to the [Office of Raptor Central](#) for review.

NOTE: To receive credit for prior learning, submit an official transcript for evaluation to the [Office of Records and Registration](#).

8. **EARNED DEGREE:** Students who have earned an Associate degree or higher from a regionally accredited U.S. college or university, should submit an unofficial college transcript showing the degree conferred to the [Office of Raptor Central](#).

NOTE: To receive credit for prior learning, submit an official transcript for evaluation to the [Office of Records and Registration](#).

Here are MC school codes to submit official scores:

Montgomery College CEEB Codes	
Germantown	5393
Rockville	5440
Takoma Park/Silver Spring	5414