

1. How do Online Students take the Colorado ACT?

- Online Students receive vouchers from ACT
- Only 11th grade ONLINE students receive a voucher for a national test date

2. What’s new for 2012?

- February, 11, 2012 **OR** April 14, 2012 – students choose ONE national test date
- ALL 11th grade Online Public School Students take the Colorado ACT on ONE of the above chosen national test dates
- Students choose Only ONE test date

3. Is there a make-up test for Online students?

No, it is the responsibility of the student if they miss their chosen national test date. If the student registers for the national test date on February, 11, 2012 and misses their test date, in order to take the test, the student must pay a \$21 fee and register for the next national test date if they want an opportunity to test on April 14, 2012. If students miss the April 14 national test date, they cannot pay a fee and/or register for the next national test date. If a student registers for the April national test date and fails to show up for any reason, they will not have the opportunity for a makeup.

4. If students are attending a brick and mortar school but are registered as Online students, can the online students test w/ the public school students that attend the brick and mortar?

CDE policy states that online students receive a voucher per contract with ACT regarding Online Schools. Only in rare circumstances should the Online School get approval from CDE and work with CDE and ACT to set up other means of testing.

5. Are online schools required to appoint testing staff?

Due to the fact that online schools are not responsible for administering the initial or makeup test date, Online Schools are not required to appoint (or train) Test Supervisors, Backup Test Supervisors, or Test Accommodations Coordinators.

6. When does the student need to register by in order to take the national test with a voucher?

National Test Date Online Schools ONLY	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Required
February 11, 2012	January 13, 2012	January 14 - 20, 2012
April 14, 2012	March 9, 2012	March 10 - 23, 2012

7. How do Online schools receive vouchers? By mail or electronically?

Via mail. ACT does NOT provide online schools with electronic vouchers. Their standard process is to mail the vouchers to the online high school. Students then register via online or by mail to take the ACT at a national testing location.

8. If a student physically attends a public high school and is in the 11th grade, can that student receive a voucher?

No. Only approved **Online** public school 11th grade students may receive a voucher.

9. How can a school tell if a student is an 11th grader?

Colorado is a local control state. Therefore the enrollment process is a district function. Check with your school or district to determine whether or not the student is classified as an 11th grader.

10. Since the state pays for the English, Reading, Science and Math portions of the ACT and not the Writing portion, how can a student take the Writing portion?

The student needs to register for the Writing portion through ACT and pay ACT for the Writing portion of the ACT test.

11. Is there a certain process that students requiring accommodations have to follow?

Students requiring accommodations do have a specific process they must follow. Check the ACT website: <http://www.act.org/aap/disab/chart.html> or call ACT's Accommodations department at 1-800-553-6244 ext. 1788. ACT staff will be available to answer any questions.

12. Is it the student's responsibility to request accommodations or is the school responsible for ensuring that the student has the appropriate accommodations?

If a student wishes to test Standard Time National with Accommodations or Extended Time National Testing, it is the student's responsibility to complete the accommodations request. If a student needs to test under the "Special Testing" accommodations, the student will have to ask their counselor or qualified school official to complete and submit the *Request for ACT Special Testing* for them. For more information about services for students with disabilities, please visit the ACT website referenced in the previous question

13. In prior years with the inclement weather on the National test date, some locations were closed. What is done as far as communicating the make-up test date? How can we collaborate on getting the information out to online schools?

The following procedure is used in the event of a rescheduled test date due to inclement weather (as documented on www.act.org :

Check this website for test center cancellations. Listen to the local radio or television station that normally carries school announcements. If the administration is cancelled at your test center, there will be an announcement and the administration will be rescheduled. If conditions are dangerous, do not attempt to travel to the test center, even if your test center remains open.

If your test center is closed due to severe weather, check this website to find your rescheduled test date or call ACT Test Administration (319/337-1510). We will also notify you by mail or email about a rescheduled test date.

If your test center stays open, but you are unable to travel to the test center because of severe weather, call ACT Registration (319/337-1270) during the week after the test date for your options.