

Placement Test Policy

Transition from Accuplacer to the Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT)

Palm Beach State College officially transitioned to PERT (Florida's new official college placement test) on May 5th, 2011. Degree-seeking students taking a placement test at this institution from that date forward must take the PERT.

Current students who have not completed a College level math or English course will not have to take the PERT as long as they have been continuously enrolled. However, if a current student chooses to take the PERT and their previously submitted placement test scores are more than two years old, the PERT scores will be used for placement.

We will continue to accept Accuplacer placement scores taken at other postsecondary institutions providing it was taken before May 5th, 2011 and the scores are not more than 2 years old.

EXCEPTION - The only Accuplacer scores taken on or after May 5, 2011 that will be used for placement are those which were given at one of the Florida public postsecondary institutions. This exception to the policy is made in recognition of the fact that Florida colleges and universities are transitioning to the PERT assessment at different times. Conversely, PERT scores will be accepted for placement even if taken before May 5th, 2011.