Foothill-De Anza Community College District Placement Testing Retest Policy Revised 3.2.17

Note: FHDA would like to note that the policy will be reviewed prior to the implementation of the Common Assessment Initiative (CAI) test.

Overview

The Foothill-De Anza Community College District recognizes the importance to student success of correct placement in our courses. To that end, the district has designed the following policies to help students achieve the most appropriate placement:

Retesting

After taking a placement test at either Foothill or De Anza College, students may retake the English, ESL, Reading, Math placement tests one (1) time at either Foothill or De Anza College, not both, within a six (6) month period of the initial date of a placement. However, students cannot retest in a subject if they have earned a D, F, NP or I grade in the subject/course sequence in which they are seeking a new placement.

Before retesting, students are strongly encouraged to prepare and review for the retest. Test preparation and review information can be found at:

De Anza: https://www.deanza.edu/admissions/placement/samples.html

Foothill: http://foothill.edu/placement/testprep.php

Use of the Placement Score

The student may enroll in the classes noted from their first placement exam or from the retest exam.

Expiration of Assessment Results

Assessment results do not expire. However, a student may choose to retest two (2) years from the last recorded placement test date if the student has not earned a D, F, NP or I grade in the subject/course sequence in which they are seeking a new placement.

Challenges/Appeals

Challenges to placements should be directed to the appropriate Division Office.

Exceptions

Students participating in Math and English Summer Bridge programs are allowed an additional retest during the program.