

## North Carolina College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessments Brief



### **The College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessments**

The North Carolina College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment (CCRAA) is an assessment designed in response to House Bill 587 passed by the North Carolina General Assembly in the 2013 Session. House Bill 587 requires the administration of an alternate to The ACT® for students who exhibit severe and pervasive delays in all areas of conceptual, linguistic, and academic development as well as in adaptive behaviors, including communication, daily living skills, and self-care, and who are following a course of study that, upon completion of high school, may not lead to admission into a college-level course of study resulting in a college degree. The decision to assess a student on the CCRAA must be made as part of the Individualized Education Program (IEP) process. To determine student participation in the CCRAA, the eligibility requirements are listed below or may be found at <https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/testing-and-school-accountability/state-tests/alternate-assessments>.

Students take the College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessments at grades 10 and 11 during the designated testing windows. The administration time for the CCRAA at grades 10 and 11 is 150 minutes. No administration may exceed 150 minutes (except for students with documented special needs requiring accommodations, such as *Scheduled Extended Time*). The administration time does not include time for general instructions and breaks. The tests must be administered in one school day (except for students with documented special needs requiring accommodations, such as *Multiple Testing Sessions*).

### **Subjects Covered on the Test**

The CCRAA at grade 10 and grade 11 assesses four subject areas in the following order:

- English, mathematics, reading, and science.

### **Number of Test Questions**

CCRAA at Grade 10

- Total of 43 questions
  - 14 multiple-choice English questions
  - 12 multiple-choice mathematics questions
  - 6 multiple-choice reading questions
  - 11 multiple-choice science questions

## CCRAA at Grade 11

- Total of 44 questions
  - 13 multiple-choice English questions
  - 12 multiple-choice mathematics questions
  - 9 multiple-choice reading questions
  - 10 multiple-choice science questions

## Scoring and Reporting

Students at Grades 10 and 11 receive a single score based on how many test questions they answer correctly on the CCRAA. Per G.S. §115C-174.11(c)(4)(b), the “alternate assessment results of students with disabilities shall be included in school accountability reports, including charter and regional schools, provided by the State Board of Education.”

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