Barton Community College Placement Testing Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Do I have to test?

A: If you meet any of the following criteria you must test:

- Don't have a Compass, SAT, ACT, Accuplacer or ASSET score on file with Barton Community College
- You are pursuing a certificate
- You are pursuing an associate's degree
- You are enrolling in general education classes that require specific test scores

Q: Can I use my transfer coursework instead of testing?

A: Some college level classes may be transferred in to clear pre-requisite and assessment requirements. These classes must be college level and passed with a C grade or higher. Determination will be made upon review of an official college transcript by the office of Enrollment Services.

Q: Is the test really that important?

A: Students taking these tests should understand the high-stakes nature of these tests in determining their placement in college classes. These test scores will be used to place you into appropriate English, Reading and Math courses.

Q: What do I need on testing day?

A: Please be prepared with the following:

- Complete an application for admission http://bartonccc.edu/admission/apply
- Allow sufficient time for testing- 1 to 2 hours
- Personal Calculators are not allowed
- No electronic devices (ipads, ipods, cell phones, etc.) may be accessed during testing

Q: Can I use my placement scores from another college instead of testing?

A.: We will accept Accuplacer and Asset scores from other colleges as long as they are sent from an official from the previous institution and the scores are no more than 3 years old.

Q: How much does Placement Testing Cost?

A: Accuplacer, Asset and ESL testing are administered at no cost to prospective students of Barton Community College.

Q: How can I prepare for placement testing?

A: Students are strongly advised to thoroughly prepare before taking any placement tests. Practice guides and tests may be found on our placement testing homepage. <u>http://bartonccc.edu/academicadvising/testing</u>