

The ACT 2017-18 Allowable Accessibility Supports: State and District (SD) Testing

Presentation Supports								Applies to:
Description	Support Level		Content Area					State & District
	Paper	Online	Reading	English	Writing	Math	Science	
Audio-Recording, Full Test	A	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Reader Script, Full Test	A	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Screen Reader	A	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Text to Speech (available Spring 2018)	—	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Translated Written Directions – 12 Languages Provided (ELs) ⁶	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Translated Audio, Full Test (see note below) ¹	A ¹	A ¹	No	No	1	1	1	SD
Word-to-Word Dictionary (ELs) ⁶	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
American Sign Language (ASL), Directions Only ⁷	E ⁷	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Signed Exact English (SEE), Directions Only	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Signed Exact English (SEE), Full Test	A	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Cued Speech	A	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
English Braille American Edition (EBAE/Nemeth), available with Tactile Graphics and Nemeth code for Math and Science (Contracted) Online support refers to required paper form companion to online test - see note ² .	A ²	A ²	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Unified English Braille (UEB), available with Tactile Graphics and Nemeth code for Math and Science (Contracted) ²	A	A ²	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Tactile Graphics (stand-alone) with EBAE/Nemeth ²	A ²	A ²	—	—	—	✓	✓	SD
Tactile Graphics (stand-alone) with UEB/Nemeth ²	A ²	A ²	—	—	—	✓	✓	SD
Large Print	A	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Browser Zoom Magnification	—	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Magnification	A	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Line Reader (Straight-edge Tool, locally provided) ⁷ (Online tool, or Locally provided paper straight edge)	E ⁷	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Color Contrast (Online ³) or Color Overlay (Locally Provided) ⁷	E ⁷	3	3	3	3	3	3	SD

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Interaction & Navigation Supports								Applies to:
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Abacus	A	A	—	—	—	✓	—	SD
Answer Masking Tool	E	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Answer Eliminator Tool	E	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Highlighter Tool ³	A	3	3	3	3	3	3	SD
Keyboard Navigation	—	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Use Test Booklet for Scratch Paper	E	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Sheet of Paper to Use as Scratch Paper	A	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Calculator, Including Accessible Calculator, <u>all personally provided</u> (headphones required for talking calculator) ⁴	E	E	—	—	—	✓	—	SD

Response Supports								Applies to:
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	Paper	Online	Reading	English	Writing	Math	Science	
Respond in Test Booklet or on Separate Paper	A	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Large Block Answer Sheet	A	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Dictate Responses	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Computer for Writing Essays and Constructed Responses	A	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Speech to Text	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Mark Item for Review Tool	E	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Word Prediction External Device ⁵	—	—	na	na	No ⁵	na	na	SD

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General Test Conditions Supports								Applies to:
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Extra Time (ELs) ⁶	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Breaks	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Multiple Days	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Food or Medication for Individuals with Medical Need ⁷	E ⁷	E ⁷	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Special Seating/Grouping ⁷	E ⁷	E ⁷	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Location for Movement ⁷	E ⁷	E ⁷	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Individual Administration ⁷	E ⁷	E ⁷	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Administration at Optimum Time of Day ⁷	E ⁷	E ⁷	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Administration from Home or Care Facility ⁷	E ⁷	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Separate Setting or Location (Familiar Setting and/or Small Group) (ELs) ^{6, 7}	E ⁷	E ⁷	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Audio Amplification	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Special Lighting ⁷	E ⁷	E ⁷	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Adaptive Equipment or Furniture ⁷	E ⁷	E ⁷	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Wheelchair Accessible Room	E ⁷	E ⁷	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Personalized Auditory/Visual Notification of Remaining Time	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD
Other Accommodations: Request Using TAA System	Yes	Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	SD

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Footnotes from Tables Above:

- ¹ Provided ONLY as part of State & District negotiated contract for non-reportable score only
- ² All users with blindness will need to use companion paper form braille/tactile graphics on math and science tests as critical interpretive information within math and science graphics will not be read aloud. This is required for both paper and online test forms.
- ³ The online version of this support will be provided on all online tests when technology becomes available.
- ⁴ Calculator use is not permitted for Science test. Science test questions requiring calculations are designed so that answering the questions involves only minimal, rudimentary calculations. Some math oriented science constructs that are assessed (e.g., recognizing relationships in scientific data, translation of data) are intended to be performed without use of graphing functionalities often present on calculators.
- ⁵ The Writing Test domain of Language Use and Conventions (including grammar, syntax and word usage) can be compromised by device usage. Reading, English, Math and Science are currently in MC format, making Word Prediction non applicable (na) at this time.
- ⁶ **English Learners (ELs):** Four Accommodation-level (“A”) supports now available to qualified English Learners (verified by ACT per ESSA criteria) are indicated in the chart above.
- ⁷ Embedded Supports (E), sometimes called “Local Arrangements,” require prior planning and resource coordination at the local level prior to ensure proper, secure test administration.

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