

## 2024 Nevada Assessment for Accountability ACT State Testing Achievement Level Descriptors & Proficiency Cut Scores

To fulfill federal requirements, all public-school students must participate in assessments of English language arts and mathematics once during high school. Nevada students in 11th grade participate in the ACT with Writing which provides the required ELA score (representing overall performance on the ACT English, reading, and writing tests) and mathematics score. State administration of the ACT with Writing is scheduled during the school day in the spring. ACT state testing is administered at schools online and/or by paper.

### ACT Achievement Level Descriptors

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Student demonstrates minimal understanding of and the ability to apply knowledge and skills associated with college and career readiness.	Student demonstrates partial understanding of and the ability to apply knowledge and skills associated with college and career readiness.	Student demonstrates adequate understanding of and the ability to apply knowledge and skills associated with college and career readiness.	Student demonstrates advanced understanding of and the ability to apply knowledge and skills associated with college and career readiness.
Student needs substantial support to meet the Nevada college and career readiness standard.	Student needs additional support to meet the Nevada college and career readiness standard.	Student meets the Nevada college and career readiness standard.	Student exceeds the Nevada college and career readiness standard.

### ACT Achievement Level Cut Scores

Test	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
<b>ELA*</b>	2-11	12-16	17-23	24-36
<b>Math</b>	1-14	15-19	20-25	26-36
	Non-Proficient	Non-Proficient	Proficient	Proficient

*\*The ACT® English language arts (ELA) score measures overall performance on the ACT English, reading, and writing tests. The ELA score weights the English, reading, and writing scores approximately equally and is therefore reported only for students who take all three tests.*

[ACT Research-Data Byte, February 2024, Understanding ACT ELA Scores](#)

Reference: Nevada School Performance Framework Manual 2023-24 School Year

Location: Nevada Accountability Portal > Help & Resources > Resources > NSPF/APF: Manuals & Guidance

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