

# MATH PLACEMENT FACT SHEET



## WHAT IS THE MATH PLACEMENT & WHY DO I HAVE TO TAKE IT?

- Math Placement is an online assessment that helps to determine which math course is appropriate for you to start with in your first semester.
- Academic advisers use your placement score to ensure you have a complete schedule when you attend your New Student Orientation.
- Correct placement is important as it is used to identify the point that meets you where your *current* math knowledge & skills are and aims to build from that point throughout your academic journey.

## WHAT TO EXPECT:

- The assessment is monitored online and requires both a webcam & microphone.
- It is comprised of 25-30 questions that covers a broad spectrum of pre-calculus material from first year high school through precalculus.
- Usually takes 60-90 minutes to complete, but you have up to 3 hours. It must be completed in one sitting.
- You can use an approved calculator, blank scratch paper, and a writing utensil.
- Recommended calculators are - TI-83 or 84. For a full list of approved calculators, click [here](#).
- You can take the math placement two times with no additional charge.

## BENEFITS OF PRIORITIZING YOUR MATH PLACEMENT:

- Placement completion before your scheduled orientation will provide you with more certainty of your Fall schedule.
- Early completion gives you more opportunity to boost your placement if you feel that your initial assessment results can be improved.
- As a STEM major, your math placement can also help determine what other courses you will be taking.

## HOW DO I COMPLETE MY MATH PLACEMENT?

1. Go to your [Next Steps Center](#)
2. Select tile that says "Placements"
3. On lefthand side of your screen, select "Math Placement"
4. Read ENTIRE page!
5. When you're ready, click "Take PPL Assessment"

## OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPROVE YOUR MATH CONFIDENCE:

- Get ahead by taking a math class over the summer through [New Start](#)
- Get assistance reviewing through [Wildcat LEAP](#), a free non-credit Math Workshop.

## HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

Use [this form](#) to contact the Math Placement Office directly

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