



Commonly-Asked TestPoint™ Questions

AACS National Competition

1. What are the system requirements for TestPoint™ testing products (Academic Testing Competition Program)?

- It is imperative that you have a high speed Internet connection if you wish to use TestPoint™.
- You may use either the Windows or Macintosh operating system. We suggest the following web browsers:
 - Microsoft Internet Explorer 7.0+
 - Firefox 3.0+
 - o Google Chrome 4.0+
 - o Safari 3.0+
- Minimum Processor Requirements: 1 gigahertz (GHz) or faster
- Minimum RAM Requirements: 1 gigabyte (GB) RAM (32-bit) or 2 GB RAM (64-bit)

2. If a student assigns himself the wrong test by mistake, what happens?

- For all off-site testing (testing completed at the school), the school will need to contact High Ground Solutions (888.988.5884 ext. 4) to have the proper test credit restored and have the student record deleted from the account.
- For all on-campus testing, the student will let the test proctor know the error made and the correction will be made.

3. What is the time limit for ATCP tests?

Each test has a 75-minute time limit. (Tie-breaker tests have a 20-minute time limit.)

4. What happens if a student does not complete a test before the time runs out?

When a student timer runs out, the student is automatically logged out of the test and not allowed back in.
 The test will automatically be scored at this time.

5. If an unforeseen event causes a student to be removed from the test-taking experience (causing the timer to run out), is there any way to allow the student to re-enter the test and complete it?

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6. Are calculators allowed?

- Please note the AACS calculator use policy, which may vary from your state competition policy.
- In categories requiring math computation (except for Algebra/Geometry and Advanced Math), non-programmable scientific calculators will be permitted.
 - The following will not be permitted: (1) calculators with graphing capabilities (except for Algebra/Geometry and Advanced Math), (2) calculators which use paper tape or printers, (3) hand-held computers, pocket organizers, or laptop computers, and (4) programmable calculators.
 - o Any necessary tables or charts will be provided.
- Graphing calculators are permitted for Algebra/Geometry and Advanced Math.

7. When and how do I receive information about the AACS National Competition Testing?

• In addition to the information posted on the AACS website, information will be emailed to the school's test coordinator indicated on the school's registration form for AACS Nationals.

8. Are students allowed to use scratch paper?

 Scratch paper is allowed for all math and science tests but should be collected and destroyed upon the completion of each test.

9. Are ties broken?

Ties will be broken online. The first tiebreaker will be incorporated in each initial test. The tiebreaker
questions will be graded only if the student ties for 1st-3rd place. If additional tiebreakers are needed, the
testing coordinator will be sent an email that details the instructions and names of students who need to be
tested.

10. When will student results be available?

- Winners will be announced and awards presented at the AACS Nationals Awards Ceremony on Thursday evening.
- Awards will be mailed to the school for presentation to winners who do not attend the on-campus event.
- Results will be posted on the AACS website during the week following Nationals.

11. Testing Security

 While the program is designed for PCs or Macs (desktop or laptop) in a computer lab, if a school can maintain secure testing procedures, students may test with iPads or Android tablets.

12. Is there any sort of training tutorial available online?

 Yes, one short informational training video is available for test coordinators (proctors) on the AACS website; under the Competition tab, choose "Proctor Training Video" and use your school log-in to view. We urge all test coordinators to view this video before students begin testing.