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 ADDITIONAL OPTIONS IN LIEU OF PASSING THE END-OF-COURSE ASSESSMENT
 MISS. ADMIN. CODE 7-3: 36.5, STATE BOARD POLICY CHAPTER 36, RULE, 36.5
 (EFFECTIVE 2013- 2014 SCHOOL YEAR AND THEREAFTER)**

Mississippi Admin. Code 7-3: 36.5, State Board Policy Chapter 36, Rule 36.5 provides approved options for students to meet high school end-of-course (EOC) assessment requirements for graduation through approved alternate measures. Mississippi Admin. Code 7-3: 36.5, State Board Policy Chapter 36, Rule 36.5, applies to past, current, and future graduates and allows a student to meet the graduation requirements once he or she has failed to pass any required end-of-course (EOC) assessment one (1) time.

The following graduation options provide opportunities for students to obtain a certain score or level on the ACT, ASVAB, ACT WorkKeys, MS-CPAS, or other state-approved industry certifications. Students also may obtain a grade of “C” or higher in a dual credit/dual enrollment course, corresponding to the EOC assessment that was not passed.

Notes:

- ACT sub-scores resulting from non-college reportable accommodations **can** be used for graduation options, but the scores are non-college reportable.
- ACT sub-scores resulting from Residual ACT Testing **cannot** be used for graduation options.
- This option is available regardless of when the student took the SATP2, PARCC, or MAP/MAAP assessments.
- The college credit option is only applicable if the student is enrolled in high school and college at the same time. Student must meet the dual enrollment/dual credit admissions requirements of the community college partnering with the school district.
- The Graduation Options listed below are applicable to any EOC assessment.

Assessment Options	Math	Science	English	Social Studies
ACT	17	17	17	17
Dual Credit/ Enrollment	C or higher in College Algebra	C or higher in College Biology & corresponding lab	C or higher in College English Comp I	C or higher in College American History II
ASVAB + MS-CPAS OR Industry Certification	ASVAB (PICAT prescreen scores are not allowable) score of 36 plus one (1) of the following: 1. *CPAS score that meets the attainment level assigned by Federal Perkins requirements OR 2. Earn approved Industry Certification specified in the Career Pathway’s Assessment Blueprint.			
ACT Work Keys + MS-CPAS OR Industry Certification	WorkKeys Silver Level plus one (1) of the following: 1. *CPAS score that meets the attainment level assigned by Federal Perkins requirements OR 2. Earn approved Industry Certification specified in the Career Pathway’s Assessment Blueprint. * Beginning in School Year 2022-2023, the MS-CPAS will no longer be administered.			

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Universal Concordance Table Effective 2021-2022 School Year

Concordance tables, effective beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, provide opportunities for students who do not obtain a passing score on an EOC assessment to utilize a different graduation option, using a combination of the assessment scores with the final course grade. The tables provide the final course grade required to use with the scale score obtained on the EOC assessment. Students shall be enrolled in school to utilize the concordance table option.

The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) and the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) developed one universal concordance table that shall be used for each of the four EOC assessments. The concordance tables were developed during each of the EOC test administrations, and the universal concordance table concept will alleviate confusion in determining which concordance table to apply for each test administration.

Universal Concordance Table

Concordance Table	Scale Score			
	1049-1048	1047-1046	1045-1044	1043-1042
Grade in Course				
A	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
B	Pass	Pass	Pass	Fail
C	Pass	Pass	Fail	Fail
D	Pass	Fail	Fail	Fail

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Composite (Combined) Score
MISS. ADMIN. CODE 7-3: 36.4(3) State Board Policy Chapter 36, Rule 36.4(3)
(EFFECTIVE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR)

Composite (Combined) Score Calculations provide opportunities for students who do not obtain a passing score on one or more EOC assessments. Students may utilize an additional graduation option by taking the average of all EOC assessments and achieving a minimal combined score of 1050. The student must have four scores (Algebra I, English II, Biology, and U.S. History). These four scores are added together and divided by 4. The student must have a 1049.5 or above. If a student has a COVID-related waiver from the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 school year(s) for any required EOC assessment, the student is not eligible to use this option. Students shall be enrolled in school to utilize the composite score option.

Example

Calculate the student's composite (combined) score by determining the average score across all four assessments.

Assessment	Scale
Algebra (EOC)	1039
English II (EOC)	1048
Biology (EOC)	1055
U.S. History (EOC)	1056

$$\text{Average Composite (Combined) Score} = \frac{1039 + 1048 + 1055 + 1056}{4} = \frac{4,198}{4} = 1049.5 = 1050$$

In the example above, the student can use the Composite Combined Score for Algebra I and English II.