



**COMPASS ASSESSMENT TEST—WALK IN DATES**  
Room 2505, Second Floor

SUMMER SESSION I CLASSES BEGIN MAY 26, 2009  
SUMMER SESSION II CLASSES BEGIN JUNE 8, 2009

February 2009		March 2009		April 2009		May 2009		June 2009	
Mon	2 12 pm - 7 pm	Mon	2 9 am - 2 pm	Mon	6 9 am - 2 pm	Mon	4 9 am - 3 pm	Mon	1 12 - 7 pm
Tue	3 9 am - 2 pm	Tue	3 9 am - 3 pm	Tue	7 9 am - 2 pm	Tue	5 11 am-6 pm	Tue	2 12 - 7 pm
Mon	9 12 pm - 7 pm	Mon	9 9 am - 2 pm	Mon	13 9 am - 2 pm	Mon	11 9 am - 3 pm	Wed	3 9 am - 4 pm
Tue	10 9 am - 5 pm	Tue	10 12 - 7 pm	Tue	14 9 am - 3 pm	Wed	13 9 am - 3 pm	Thur	4 9 am - 2 pm
Wed	11 9 am - 2 pm	Mon	16 9 am - 2 pm	Mon	20 9 am - 2 pm	Mon	18 12 - 7 pm	Mon	8 12 - 7 pm
Mon	16 9 am - 2 pm	Tue	17 9 am - 3 pm	Tue	21 12 - 7 pm	Tue	19 12 - 7 pm	Tue	9 9 am - 3 pm
Tue	17 9 am - 3 pm	Mon	23 9 am - 3 pm	Mon	27 9 am - 2 pm	Wed	20 9 am - 3 pm	Mon	15 12 - 7 pm
Mon	23 9 am - 2 pm	Mon	30 9 am - 2 pm	Tue	28 9 am - 3 pm	Thu	21 9 am - 2 pm	Tue	16 10 am - 4 pm
Tue	24 9 am - 3 pm	Tue	31 9 am - 3 pm			Tue	26 12 - 7 pm	Wed	17 9 am - 4 pm
						Wed	27 9 am - 3 pm	Mon	22 12 - 7 pm
						Thu	28 9 am - 2 pm	Tue	23 10 am - 4 pm
								Wed	24 9 am - 4 pm
								Mon	29 12 - 7 pm
								Tue	30 10 am - 4 pm

- ✓ COMPASS is a placement test and should be taken seriously.
- ✓ COMPASS is comprised of three sections: Math, English and Reading.
- ✓ COMPASS scores will determine if a student is ready to enroll in college-level courses at Prairie State College.
- ✓ Placement testing requires approximately 3 hours to complete.
- ✓ A calculator is permitted (but optional) for the math portion.
- ✓ A photo ID and a PSC student ID number are REQUIRED to take the test.
- ✓ Students are asked to write a short essay in addition to completing the standardized portion of the test.
- ✓ Children and guests are NOT allowed in the Compass Testing Center.

Commonly asked questions:

Can I study for the COMPASS test?

American College Testing (ACT) program posts sample questions on its Web site, [www.act.org/compass](http://www.act.org/compass). (Click on "Sample Questions" in blue box) See additional information located on the back page.

How soon should I take the COMPASS test?

Take the test as soon as you can. Courses fill up quickly. You are more likely to get your first choice of classes if you complete testing well before the beginning of the term. Seating for COMPASS is limited. Students attending the College for the first time should take advantage of early test dates.

No appointment necessary.

QUESTIONS ABOUT ENROLLING? Call the Enrollment Advisors:

Wallace Bailey, Jr. at (708) 709-3641  
Beth Wyack at (708) 709-7776

## Recommended Study Material for COMPASS testing

- ! COMPASS Sample Test, <http://www.act.org/compass/sample/index.html>
- ! GED, Act, or SAT Study Guides can be found in most local libraries
- ! Mathematics [www.aaamath.com](http://www.aaamath.com) and [www.Mathpower.com](http://www.Mathpower.com)

Pre-Algebra  
Fractions  
Percentages  
Decimals Averages  
Ration & Proportion

Algebra  
Exponents  
Factoring  
Graphing  
Polynomials  
Linear Equation

- ! Reading [www.cerritos.edu/reading/tutorials.htm](http://www.cerritos.edu/reading/tutorials.htm)

- " Main ideas, general versus specific
- " Implied ideas, vocabulary in context
- " Topic sentences

- ! Writing <http://webster.commnet.edu/grammar> and [www.chompchomp.com](http://www.chompchomp.com)

- " Grammar and punctuation including the use of periods, commas, semi-colons, etc.
- " Verb tense and usage, vocabulary usage including repetition