College readiness for applicants to the ALI Program

The Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC) policy is that all new students are required to take a test of academic ability. **All ALI applicants** will need to take the "Accuplacer" **except** those who have:

1. Taken college classes before and will present a transcript when registering.

   or

2. Have taken the SAT and have a score above 500 in Critical Reading, Writing and Math, dated within two years of the date of your application to CCBC.

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3. You have taken the ACT and have scores of 21 or above in Reading, Writing and Math, dated within two years of the date of your application to CCBC.

   or

4. You have taken the Accuplacer placement test within the last three years and can present written verification of the results from another Maryland community college within the last two years.

If none of the above exceptions apply to you, you will need to take the Accuplacer test for English. No Math testing is required for the ALI Program, which is a Certificate program. If you wish to continue your studies and earn an AAS Degree, you will need to take the Math placement test.

It is important that you spend time studying and preparing to do your best on these assessments.

A few hours of preparation can make a huge difference in scores. A small difference in a score can make a huge difference in how much time and money it takes to finish a degree. Therefore, the smart move is to visit the links below. (or cut and paste them into your browser!)

https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/student/practice

Another helpful link with general information:

Testing-Centers/Placement-Tests