



THE TABE

Candidates applying for the EMT-Basic program must complete the Tests of Adult Basic Education (TABE) 13 Level A Complete Battery, no more than two (2) years prior to the start date of the course they plan to register for.

MINIMUM TABE SCORES FOR ACCEPTANCE

To be eligible for consideration, applicants must meet the following minimum scores:

- **Reading:** 563
- **Math:** 577
- **Language Arts:** 573

Achieving the minimum score does not guarantee admissions. Candidates who fail to meet the minimum score must wait 3 months before retaking the test. The CSRIPS will accept the **highest scores from multiple attempts**, provided they are within 2 years of the course start date.

Results will be uploaded into the candidate's MyCSRIPS account under "Folders/Documents" within 5-7 business days.

TABE EXEMPTIONS

Applicants may be exempt from taking the TABE if they have achieved qualifying scores on approved standardized tests. CSRIPS will accept scores listed on an official high school transcript in addition to official score reports. Scores must be received prior to the start of registration. The assessment must be taken within two years of the intended course start date.

- **ACT (with or without Writing)**
 - Reading: 19
 - English: 17
 - Mathematics: 19
- **SAT – The College Board**
 - Reading Test: 24
 - Writing and Language Test: 25
 - Math Test: 24
- **Digital SAT – The College Board (since June 2023)**
 - Evidence-Based Reading and Writing: 490
 - Math Section: 480
 - Mathematics (subject score): 22
- **GED® (General Educational Development Test)**
 - Reasoning Through Language Arts: 165
 - Mathematical Reasoning: 165
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To submit GED scores, follow the instructions provided on the "[How to send CSRIPS your Transcripts](#)" form. You may also use the following school codes to send your scores: SAT: 47553; ACT: 8297

Applicants requiring accommodations must email csrips@coralsprings.gov along with their IEP/504 documentation prior to registering for the TABE. The following accommodations may be granted:

- Additional time
- Additional Breaks
- Preferential seating
- Small group testing

TABE DESCRIPTION AND TIME ALLOTMENTS

The TABE is used to measure basic academic skills commonly found in adult education curricula. The test consists of three subtests: Reading (parts 1 and 2), Math (parts 1 and 2), and Language. The CSRIPS uses the paper version of the TABE, an examinee may not progress through the subtests at their own pace. Each subject includes approximately 40 questions and time allotments are:

- Check-in – 30 mins (Candidates who are tardy will not be able to enter once the check-in time has closed)
- Reading Part I: 50 Minutes
- Reading Part II: 50 Minutes
- Math Part I: 45 Minutes
- Math Part II: 15 Minutes
- Language: 50 Minutes
- 10-minute water and restroom breaks will be available between select testing sessions.

STANDARD RULES FOR TESTING SITE

Please review and follow these important guidelines:

- A valid, original (not a photocopy) **government-issued photo ID** is required for testing.
- Examinees **may not leave** the testing area during the actual test.
- **Only test takers** are allowed in the testing area. A waiting area is not available for non-test takers.

The following items are **not allowed** in the testing area:

- Electronic devices of any kind (no smart watches)
- Cell phones, pagers, or beepers
- Devices that can scan, record, photograph, copy, or reproduce test content
- Books or papers
- Mechanical pencils, pens (of any kind), or highlighters
- Watches or stopwatches with alarms, flashing lights, or calculator functions
- Headphones or earbuds
- Purses or backpacks
- Food or drinks



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- Loose, bulky clothing, hats and jackets (scarves and headgear worn for religious purposes are permitted)
- Sunglasses worn during testing unless medical necessary (documentation required)

All unauthorized materials must be left at home or secured in your vehicle before entering the testing room.

The following will be provided:

- An approved calculator
- Scrap paper (which will be collected at the end of the exam).
- Two No. 2 pencils

Cheating or possession of unauthorized materials will result in the test being invalidated and/or suspension of future testing opportunities. If an electronic device sounds or vibrates during the exam, the test will be collected immediately, and the examinee will be dismissed from the testing area.

FAQ

Q: I'm a returning student who didn't have to take the TABE previously. Do I have to take it now?

A: Yes. All candidates applying for the EMT-Basic class after Winter 2026 must complete the TABE, regardless of whether they are re-enrolling or new.

Q: Do I need to take the TABE for Firefighter I & II or the Paramedic program?

A: No. The TABE is not required for Firefighter I & II or EMT-Paramedic program applicants.

Q: I took the TABE at another school. Will those scores count?

A: Yes, if the scores were completed within two years of the class start date and the previous school is willing to send them directly to CSRIPS at transcripts@coralsprings.gov. *CSRIPS will not contact your previous testing site on your behalf.* Candidates are responsible for requesting that their scores be sent. Scores must meet the minimum requirements and be received before the start of registration.

Q: Is the TABE registration fee refundable? What if I have an emergency and can't attend?

A: The registration fee is nonrefundable. However, if you are unable to attend due to an emergency, you should email csrips@coralsprings.gov as soon as possible. Depending on the circumstances and supporting documentation, you may be eligible to transfer your seat to another available test date. Seat transfers are not guaranteed and are handled on a case-by-case basis.