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Standardized Test Score

Score	Test
17	ACT math subtest
43	COMPASS Pre-Algebra
1	COMPASS Algebra

ACT Math/High School GPA Scale

ACT Math Score		High School GPA
17	and	2.5 or greater
16	and	2.8 or greater
15	and	3.0 or greater

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The standardized test scores are the same scores established for the 2015 and 2016 seniors. This alternative accommodates the 2017 seniors who have already taken the COMPASS exam or will have the opportunity to take the exam before it is phased out in November 2016.

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very small number of students would benefit. As a result, the score of 15 was retained as the floor.

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