



## Commonly-Asked TestPoint™ Questions

### AACS National Competition

- 1. What are the system requirements for TestPoint™ testing products (Academic Testing Competition Program)?**
  - It is imperative that you have a high speed Internet connection if you wish to use TestPoint™.
  - You may use either the Windows or Macintosh operating system. We suggest the following web browsers:
    - Microsoft Internet Explorer 7.0+
    - Firefox 3.0+
    - Google Chrome 4.0+
    - Safari 3.0+
  - Minimum Processor Requirements: 1 gigahertz (GHz) or faster
  - Minimum RAM Requirements: 1 gigabyte (GB) RAM (32-bit) or 2 GB RAM (64-bit)
- 2. If a student assigns himself the wrong test by mistake, what happens?**
  - For all (testing completed at the school, the school will need to contact High Ground Solutions (888.988.5884 ext. 3) during regular business hours—8:00 AM to 5:00 PM **Central**—at to have the proper test credit restored and have the student record deleted from the account.
  - For all on-campus testing, the student will let the test proctor know the error made and the correction will be made.
- 3. What is the time limit for ATCP tests?**
  - Each test has a 75-minute time limit. (Tie-breaker tests have a 20-minute time limit.)
- 4. What happens if a student does not complete a test before the time runs out?**
  - When a student timer runs out, the student is automatically logged out of the test and not allowed back in. The test will automatically be scored at this time.
- 5. If an unforeseen event causes a student to be removed from the test-taking experience (causing the timer to run out), is there any way to allow the student to re-enter the test and complete it?**
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**6. Are calculators allowed?**

- **Please note** the AACS calculator use policy, which may vary from your state competition policy.
- In categories requiring math computation (except for Algebra/Geometry and Advanced Math), non-programmable scientific calculators will be permitted.
  - The following will not be permitted: (1) calculators with graphing capabilities (except for Algebra/Geometry and Advanced Math), (2) calculators which use paper tape or printers, (3) hand-held computers, pocket organizers, or laptop computers, and (4) programmable calculators.
  - Any necessary tables or charts will be provided.
- Graphing calculators are permitted for Algebra/Geometry and Advanced Math.

**7. When and how do I receive information about the AACS National Competition Testing?**

- In addition to the information posted on the AACS website, information will be emailed to the school's test coordinator indicated on the school's registration form for AACS National Competition.

**8. Are students allowed to use scratch paper?**

- Scratch paper is allowed for all math and science tests but should be collected and destroyed upon the completion of each test.

**9. Are ties broken?**

- Ties will be broken online. The first tiebreaker will be incorporated in each initial test. The tiebreaker questions will be graded only if the student ties for 1st-3rd place. If additional tiebreakers are needed, the testing coordinator will be sent an email that details the instructions and names of students who need to be tested.

**10. When will student results be available?**

- Winners will be announced and awards presented at the AACS National Competition Awards Ceremony on Thursday evening.
- Awards will be mailed to the school for presentation to winners who do not attend the on-campus event.
- Results will be posted on the AACS website during the week following National Competition.

**11. Testing Security**

- While the program is designed for PC's or Mac's (desktop or laptop) in a computer lab, if a school can maintain secure testing procedures, students may test with iPads or Android tablets.

**12. Is there any sort of training tutorial available online?**

- Yes, one short informational training video is available for test coordinators (proctors) on the AACS website; under the Competition tab, choose "Proctor Training Video" and use your school log-in to view. We urge all test coordinators to view this video before students begin testing.