

Your Question:

You asked how many states use end-of-course assessments:

- As part of a student final course grade.
- On a pass/fail basis for high school graduation (exit exam).

Our Response:

In the 2017-18 school year, 25 states are administering end-of-course assessments in one or more subject areas. Of these states:

- **Exit exams:** Eleven states are using one or more end-of-course assessments as exit exams. In addition, Ohio allows students to use end-of-course assessments as one of three options to complete an exit exam requirement. Three states are scheduled to discontinue using end-of-course exams as exit exams after the Class of 2019, while two states are scheduled to begin using end-of-course exams as exit exams with the Class of 2019.
- **Factoring into final course grade:** Six states currently require that end-of-course exam scores be factored into a student's final course grade, with two more states adding this requirement in the 2018-19 school year.

The table below indicates which states currently administer end-of-course assessments in which subjects, and for which purposes.

State	End-of-course exam subjects	Exit exam?	% of exam score factored into student final course grade?	Sources
Arizona	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English 9 • English 10 • English 11 • Algebra I • Geometry • Algebra II 	No	No	Arizona Department of Education AzMERIT brochure
Florida	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra 1 • Geometry • Biology 1 • Civics¹ • U.S. History 	Yes, for Algebra 1 No for other EOCs	Yes – 30% for all EOCs.	West's F.S.A. § 1003.4282 (3)(b), (c), (d), § 1003.4156(1)(c)
Georgia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ninth Grade Literature and Composition • American Literature and Composition 	No	Yes – 20% for all EOCs.	Ga Comp. R. & Regs. 160-4-2-.13(2)(f); Georgia Dept. of Ed. webpage

¹ Must be taken in grades six to eight for a student to be promoted to high school (West's F.S.A. § 1003.4156(1)(c))

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebra I or Coordinate Algebra Geometry or Analytic Geometry Biology Physical Science U.S. History Economics/Business/Free Enterprise 			
Hawaii	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebra I Algebra II Biology I U.S. History 	No	No	Hawaii Dept. of Ed. webpage
Idaho	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biology Chemistry 	No	No	Idaho Dept. of Ed. webpage
Indiana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English 10 Algebra I 	Yes, through Class of 2018	No	Indiana Dept. of Ed. webpage
Kentucky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English 10 Algebra II Biology U.S. History 	No	Determined by district or school council policy. ²	703 Ky. Admin. Regs. 5:200, Section 4, (d)(1); Kentucky Dept. of Ed. webpage
Louisiana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English II English III Algebra I Geometry Biology American History 	Yes – students must pass three end-of-course exams: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English II or III Algebra I or Geometry Biology or American History 	Yes – percentage must be 15-30% of final course grade, to be determined by LEA.	La. Admin Code. tit. 28, Pt XI, § 6803(B), La. Admin Code. tit. 28, Pt CXV, § 2319 (B)(2)(a), Pt CXV, § 2318 (B)(2)(a)
Maryland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biology Government 	Yes, for Government.	No	COMAR 13A.03.02.06; Maryland State Dept. of Ed. Graduation Requirements FAQs
Massachusetts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biology Chemistry Introductory Physics 	Yes – students must earn minimum score	No	Massachusetts Dept. of Ed. webpage

² If the district or school council's policies do not include end-of-course exam grades in the grading policy or if the end-of-course examination grade percentage is under 20 percent, the district must submit an annual report to the Commissioner of Education that provides justification for not using end-of-course examinations for at least 20 percent of a student's final course grade. (703 Ky. Admin. Regs. 5:200, Section 4, (d)(3))

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technology/Engineering 	on one of the science EOCs.		
Mississippi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English II Algebra I Biology I U.S. History 	Yes, through Class of 2018	Yes, beginning school year 2018-19—25% for all EOCs	Mississippi State Board Agenda Item April 21, 2016
Missouri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English II Algebra I Biology Government <p>Administered at district option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English I Algebra II Geometry Physical Science American History 	No	No	Missouri Dept. of Elementary and Secondary Ed. webpage
Nevada	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ELA Math I Emphasis on Algebra I Math II Emphasis on Geometry Integrated Mathematics 1 Integrated Mathematics 2 	<p>Yes, eff. Class of 2019, students must pass ELA I and II and Math I and II.</p> <p>Eff. Class of 2020: students must pass EOC in science.</p>	<p>Yes, phased in:</p> <p>2017-18: District option</p> <p>2018-19: 10% of course grade</p> <p>2019-20: 15% of course grade</p> <p>2020-21: 20% of course grade</p>	NAC 389.6552; Nevada Dept. of Ed. webpage
New Jersey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biology 	No	No	New Jersey Dept. of Ed. webpage
New Mexico	25 EOCs available across five subject areas: Reading, writing, math, science, social studies.	Yes, for social studies EOC	No	New Mexico Public Ed. Dept. 2018 grad. asst. reqts.
New York	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Language Arts Algebra I Algebra II Geometry Living Environment Physical Setting/Earth Science Physical Setting/Chemistry Physical Setting/Physics 	<p>Yes. Students must pass a Regents exam in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English language arts Math Science Social Studies Pathways (or meet all the requirements of 	No	8 NYCRR 100.5; New York State Ed. Dept. Diploma/Credential Reqts.; June 2018 testing schedule

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> U.S. History and Government Global Studies Global History & Geography 	the CDOS Commencement Credential)		
North Carolina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English II NC Math 1 Biology 	No	Yes. Per LEA policy, at least 25% of final course grade.	16 NCAC 6D.0305; North Carolina Dept. of Public Instruction webpage
Ohio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English I English II Algebra I Geometry OR Integrated Math I Integrated Math II Biology (or Physical Science for Class of 2018 only) American History American Government 	Eff. Class of 2018, one of three options for students to fulfill graduation requirements beyond Carnegie units.	No	R.C. § 3301.0712; Ohio Dept. of Ed. webpage
Pennsylvania	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Literature Algebra I Biology 	Yes, eff. Class of 2019	No	22 Pa. Code § 4.51b; Pennsylvania Dept. of Ed. webpage
South Carolina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English 1 Algebra 1 Biology 1 U.S. History and the Constitution 	No	Yes – 20% for all EOCs.	S.C. Code of Regulations R. 43-262(I)(H); South Carolina Dept. of Ed. webpage
Tennessee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English I English II English III Integrated Math I Integrated Math II Integrated Math III Algebra I Algebra II Geometry Biology Chemistry U.S. History/Geography 	No	Yes – 25% for all EOCs.	Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0520-01-03-.06(1)(d); Tennessee Dept. of Ed. webpage

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Texas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English I English II Algebra I Biology U.S. History <p>Administered at district option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English III Algebra II 	Yes	No	V.T.C.A., Education Code § 39.023(c); Texas Education Agency webpage
Utah	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Language Arts 9 Language Arts 10 Language Arts 11 Secondary Mathematics I Secondary Mathematics II Secondary Mathematics III Earth Science Biology Chemistry Physics 	No	No	Utah State Board of Education webpage
Virginia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading Writing Algebra I Geometry Algebra II Earth Science Biology Chemistry World History & Geography to 1500 World History & Geography 1500-Present World Geography Virginia & U.S. History Virginia & U.S. Government 	<p>Yes – students must pass two EOCs in English, and one each in math, lab science, and history & social sciences, plus one student-selected subject (total of six EOCs).</p> <p>This will reduce to five EOCs (no student-selected subject) eff. Class of 2022.</p>	No	Virginia Dept. of Ed. webpages on English , math , science , social studies ; regulations revision approved fall 2017
Washington	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebra 1/Integrated Math 1 Geometry/Integrated Math 2 	Yes, through Class of 2018. Students must pass either Algebra 1/Integrated Math 1 or Geometry/Integrated Math 2.	No	Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction webpage