

Pre-Test and Post-Test Timeline

The testing timeline below may be used as a guide for administering the TABE assessment with appropriate time intervals that support skill retention and maximize positive outcomes:

It is allowable to use youth TABE assessment outcomes attained prior to WIA Youth program participation. Previous TABE assessment scores administered up to 6 months prior to registration may be used to establish pre- test scores at registration. If a pre-test was not administered before the youth was referred to the WIA youth program, a pre-TABE test must be administered and scores entered into the case management system within 60 days following the date of the first youth program service received by the youth.

Pre and Post-test scores must be administered and entered into the case management system within one year from the date of first youth program service. For example, a youth who became a participant on July 1, 2008 must have a pre and post-test score entered into the case management system on or before June 30, 2009.

Testing Timelines:

- Pre-TABE test Youth within 60 days of Registration (includes administration of the locator).
- If pre-TABE results are less than or equal to 8.9, begin basic skills instruction within 15 days of completion of the pre-TABE test. It is recommended 60 hours of basic skills instruction be provided to participants. This basic skill instruction service must be included in the participants' individual service strategy.
- Administer a post-test to capture gains within seven days of completion of the basic skills training.
- If the participant reaches an educational functioning grade level score of 9.0 or above on the post-test; they have reached the standard and require no further assessment of academic skill levels.
- If the participant scores 8.9 or below on the post test, and remains in the youth program, the participant must continue to receive training in literacy numeracy skills and post tested for gains within the required time frame, based on the anniversary date of the first service received by the youth.

Note:

As the Literacy/Numeracy gains measure is not exit-based, post-testing that occurs after an exit does not count toward the literacy/numeracy gains measure. Ensure that youth are post-tested prior to exit from the WIA Youth program.