

2026-2027 Estimated LEA Cost for ACT & ACT WorkKeys Testers Worksheet for Public and Charter Schools Only

In order to estimate the cost for 2026-2027 LEA-funded ACT and ACT WorkKeys testers, the information below must be completed and returned to LDOE with the signed 2026-2027 ACT Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) by September 25, 2026. **Important: For all paper accommodated tests, all three subtests for the paper-based tests will be in the same test booklet. ACT will bill for any subtests that were attempted by students. For example, if a student only attempted to retake one subtest, they will only be billed for one subtest.**

LEA Code: _____ LEA Name: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

(individual completing form)

Contact email: _____

Directions for completing the form and calculating information:

- Enter the expected number of students for which the LEA expects to pay in each category. Enter "0" if there are no testers in a category testing at LEA expense. The other columns will auto calculate and fill.
- Select same payment options as indicated on page 4 of the ACT MOU.
- Sign, print, scan, and email to Patricia.Newman@la.gov with the signed ACT MOU. Checks are payable to LDOE and mailed to: Louisiana Department of Education, Division of Appropriation Control, PO Box 94064, Baton Rouge, LA 70804.

Assessment	Cost	Enter Expected # of Students Testing at LEA Expense	Total Estimated Cost (do not enter an amount: this will auto calculate)	75% of Total Estimated Cost (do not enter an amount: this will auto calculate)
ACT 12th grade repeat testers only	\$40.00 per assessment		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
ACT WorkKeys All initial testers (both paper & online) <u>except</u> <u>11th grade career</u> <u>diploma students</u>	\$40.50		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
ACT WorkKeys All Repeat Tests Only	\$13.50 Applied Math		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	\$13.50 Workplace Documents		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	\$13.50 Graphic Literacy		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Total			\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

75% of the total estimated cost for expected expenses is to be paid to LDOE by the indicated payment option below.

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One time MFP deduction in February: for public and charter schools only

Two pre-payments due by December 15, 2026 and January 15, 2027

LEA Superintendent Printed Name

LEA Superintendent Signature

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2026-2027 Memorandum of
Understanding Public and Charter LEAs**

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU), is entered into by the Louisiana Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "State") and _____,

LEA Code and LEA Name

a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, who is officially domiciled at _____ (hereinafter referred to as the "**LEA**".)

LEA Mailing Address

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the **LEA** desires to cooperate with the State in the implementation of the ACT Assessment Series as hereinafter provided; WHEREAS, the public purpose is described as:

- *To allow all SY2026-2027 Louisiana public and charter **LEAs** 11th grade students an opportunity to participate in ACT testing,*
- *To allow all SY2026-2027 Louisiana public and charter **LEAs** 12th grade students an opportunity to retake the ACT to improve their individual scores on the Official State Administration dates:*
 - **Window 1:** *Online standard time, accommodation online and paper February 23-26, March 1-5*
 - **Window 2:** *Online standard time and accommodated online and paper March 9-12, March 15-19*
- *To allow all SY2026-2027 Louisiana public and charter **LEAs** 11th and 12th grade students an opportunity to participate in WorkKeys testing from September 30, 2026-April 5, 2027*

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Scope of Services

LEAs hereby agrees to the following services:

a. Specific goals and objectives for enrolled Louisiana public and charter students:

- i. To agree to test 12th grade students who have previously taken the **ACT** at a cost of \$40.00 per administered test,*
- ii. To agree to administer ACT **WorkKeys** tests to enrolled 11th grade students not on a career diploma pathway and any 12th grade student at a cost of \$13.50 per subject test*

*b. Deliverables for enrolled Louisiana public and charter **LEA** students:*

- i. To provide 12th grade students who have previously taken the ACT test an opportunity to retake the online ACT on the Official State Administration dates,*
- ii. To provide 11th grade students not on a career diploma pathway an opportunity to take the ACT WorkKeys assessment on the Official State Administration dates,*

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- iii. To provide 11th grade students on a career diploma pathway additional opportunities to take the ACT WorkKeys assessment on the Official State Administration dates,*
- iv. To provide 12th grade students an opportunity to take the ACT WorkKeys assessment on the Official State Administration dates.*
- c. Performance Measures for enrolled Louisiana public and charter **LEA** students:*
 - i. After the administration of the test and scoring is completed, ACT will provide the Department a file containing assessment results for the students tested,*
- d. Monitoring Plan for Louisiana public and charter **LEA** students:*
 - i. The State will use students' LA secure identification numbers (LASID) and other de-identified data to create a list of 12th grade students who have previously taken the ACT (Match List) and a list of 12th grade students being administered the ACT for the first time (No Match List) on the 2026-2027 testing date,*
 - ii. The state will use students' LASID numbers and other de-identified data to identify the 11th grade students not on a career diploma pathway and 11th and 12th grade students who have previously taken ACT WorkKeys,*
 - iii. The State will use these lists to determine the number of students tested at the **LEA's** expense and provide reconciliation invoices to the **LEAs** after the administration of the assessments.*

2. Liaison Officer

The primary point of contact that shall function as the State's lead liaison for all implementation of services described in this Agreement is:

Trish Newman, Education Program Consultant
Office of Assessments, Accountability, and Analytics
Louisiana Department of Education
1201 North Third St.
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

The primary point of contact that shall function as the **LEA's** lead liaison for implementation of services described in this Agreement is the **LEA** Superintendent.

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3. LEA Responsibilities

The **LEA** will:

- a. *Supply the Department with the following data:*
 - *The estimated number of 12th grade public and charter **LEA** students who have previously taken the ACT test (ACT Match List), and plan to retake the ACT on the initial or the makeup dates. This information must be provided by **September 25, 2026**,*
 - *The estimated number of 11th grade public and charter **LEA** students not on a career diploma pathway, 12th grade students who plan to take the ACT WorkKeys assessment. This information must be provided by **September 25, 2026**.*
- b. *By submitting these lists, the **LEA** is providing estimates for:*
 - *the potential number of 12th grade public and charter **LEA** students retaking the ACT test (Match List) at the expense of the **LEA**,*
 - *the potential number of 11th grade public and charter **LEA** students who are not on a career diploma pathway taking the ACT Workkeys assessment at the expense of the **LEA**,*
 - *the potential number of 12th grade public and charter school students taking the ACT WorkKeys assessment at the expense of the **LEA**,*
- c. *Provide payment for SY2026–2027 Louisiana public and charter **LEAs**:*
 - *12th grade students who take the ACT assessment and have an ACT score from a previous ACT test administration (Match List),*
 - *11th grade students not on a career diploma pathway who take the ACT WorkKeys assessment during the state administration testing window,*
 - *11th grade students on a career diploma pathway who retake any subtest of the ACT WorkKeys assessment,*
 - *12th grade students who take the ACT WorkKeys assessment during the state administration testing window.*

4. Payment Terms

In consideration of the services described above, the **LEA** hereby agrees to pay for testing the following enrolled Louisiana public and charter school students:

- a. *\$40.00 per ACT test administered to:*
 - *12th grade students having an ACT score from a previous ACT administration*
- \$13.50 per repeat WorkKeys subtest administered to:*
 - *11th grade students not on the career diploma pathway*
 - *11th grade students on the career diploma pathway who retake any subtest of the WorkKeys assessment during the current school year*
 - *12th grade students*

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The **LEA** will indicate a payment method by **checking the box** in front of one of the following payment options. This option must match the option chosen on the Tester Estimation Worksheet.

- ☐ ***the State will withhold a one-time deduction from the February Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) payment using the following method:***
- *Utilizing the estimated testing numbers submitted by the **LEA** to the State in September, the **LEA** will calculate the estimated total cost of the ACT and WorkKeys assessments and the State will withhold 75 percent of the estimated total cost from the February MFP payment.*
- ☐ ***the LEA will make two pre-payments using the following method:***
- *Utilizing the estimated testing numbers submitted by the **LEA** to the State in September, the **LEA** will calculate the estimated total cost of the ACT and WorkKeys assessments and the **LEA** will pay the State 75 percent of the total estimated cost in two pre-payments by the **15th day of December 2026 and the 15th day of January 2027.***

Following the administration of all assessments contemplated under this MOU,

- a. The Department will receive the total invoice from ACT by June 21, 2027 and reconcile the costs versus the prepayment,
- b. The **LEA** will receive a reconciliation invoice dated no later than June 30, 2027 indicating a refund for the overpayment or required payment for the remaining balance,
- c. The **LEA** will remit the payment for the remaining balance to the State by July 10, 2027,
- d. The State will refund the overpayment to the **LEA** by July 30, 2027.

5. Termination for Cause

Either party may terminate this agreement for cause based upon the failure of the other party (the “breaching party”) to comply with the terms and/or conditions of the agreement, provided that the non-breaching party shall give the breaching party written notice specifying the failure. If within thirty (30) days after receipt such of notice, the breaching party has not both corrected such failure and thereafter proceeded diligently to complete such correction, then the non-breaching party may, at its option, place the breaching party in default and the agreement shall terminate on the date specified in such notice.

6. Termination for Convenience

Either Party may terminate the agreement at any time by giving thirty (30) days’ written notice to the other party. In the event the **LEA** terminates this Agreement pursuant to this Section, the **LEA** shall remain responsible for any completed assessments occurring prior to the date of termination.

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- 7. Remedies for Default** Any claim or controversy arising out of this contract shall be resolved pursuant to Louisiana law. Jurisdiction and venue for any and all litigation arising out of this MOU shall be in East Baton Rouge Parish in the 19th Judicial District Court for the State of Louisiana.

8. Ownership

All records, reports, documents and other material related to this Agreement and/or prepared by the State in connection with the performance of services agreed to herein shall remain the property of the State, and upon termination or expiration of this MOU, shall be returned to the state.

9. Auditors Clause

It is hereby agreed that the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana and/or the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration auditors and/or Louisiana Department of Education auditors shall have the option of auditing all accounts of which relate to this Agreement.

10. Discrimination Clause

The contractor agrees to abide by the requirement of the following as applicable: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal employment Opportunity Act of 1972, federal Executive Order 11246 as amended, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Fair Housing Act of 1968 as amended, of 1990. Contractor agrees not to discriminate in its employment practices, and will and contractor agrees to abide by the requirement of the Americans with Disabilities Act render services under this contract without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran status, political affiliation, disability, or age in any matter relating to employment. Any act of discrimination committed by Contractor, or failure to comply with these statutory obligations when applicable shall be grounds for termination of the contract.

11. Compliance Statement

The States designated agreement monitor has reviewed this contractual and/fiscal and state laws and regulations and the BESE's policies. The designated monitor is aware that he/she is subject to disciplinary or appropriate legal action if their assurance is knowingly in violation of public laws or the BESE's policies.

12. Debarment and Suspension Clause

Participant receiving individual awards hereby certifies that the organization and its principals are not suspended or debarred from any federal or state program.

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13. Nonassignability

Neither Party shall not assign any interest in this Agreement by assignment, transfer, or novation without prior written consent of the other party.

14. Severability

The provisions of this Agreement are severable. Any terms and/or conditions that are deemed illegal or invalid shall not have any effect on any other terms or condition of this Agreement.

15. Entire Agreement

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter. Any amendments to this Agreement must be reduced to writing and signed by both parties.

16. Term of Agreement

Upon signature of both Parties, this agreement shall be effective on November 1, 2026 and shall terminate on August 12, 2027. THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Baton Rouge, Louisiana on the day, month and year first written below. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of this 1st day of November, 2026. Shall terminate on August 12, 2027.

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LEA Participant Signatures

Print LEA Superintendent Name

LEA Superintendent Signature

Date

Print LEA Superintendent Email Address

Print Fiscal Contact Name

Fiscal Contact Signature

Date

Print Fiscal Contact Email Address

Print District Test Coordinator

District Test Coordinator Signature

Date

District Test Coordinator email address

The following to be completed by the State Agency.

State Agency Signatures

Assistant Superintendent Signature

Date

State Superintendent Signature

Date

Contracts exceeding \$50,000 requires the following additional signature of the President, State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.