ACCUPLACER™ Test Tips

- Relax! ACCUPLACER™ is designed to help you succeed in school. Your score helps you and your advisor determine which courses are most appropriate for your current level of knowledge and skills. Once you identify your academic strengths and needs, you can get the help you need to improve underdeveloped skills before they can interfere with your learning.

- You'll be able to concentrate better if you get plenty of rest and eat properly prior to completing the tests. You should also arrive a few minutes early so you can find the testing area, bathrooms, phones, etc., and gather your thoughts before the beginning. (And if you wear glasses, remember to bring them with you!)

- Pay careful attention to test directions, and be sure you understand them before you begin each test.

- This is an adaptive test. Questions are chosen for you on the basis of your answers to previous questions. Because the test works this way, you must answer every question when it's first given. You cannot omit any question or come back to change an answer. You may change your answer on a particular question, but you must do so before continuing on to the next question. If you don't, the answer is accepted, and you cannot return to the question.

- If you don't know the answer to a question, try to eliminate one or more of the choices. Then pick one of the remaining choices.

- You're not allowed to use dictionaries, calculators, notebooks, or textbooks of any kind on the tests. Scratch paper for solving math problems will be provided by the test administrator. Any student who gives or receives help during the test, or uses notes or books of any kind, won't be allowed to continue with the test. Following the test period, no test materials or notes may be removed from the room.

- Remember to bring a current official picture I.D. with you to the testing session.