



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA  
Department of Education

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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction

**SUBJECT: Approval of an Additional Substitute Test for Verified Credit in Reading**

On February 25, 2016, the Virginia Board of Education approved the *ACT WorkKeys Reading for Information* test as an additional substitute test for verified credit in reading. A list of all tests approved as Standards of Learning (SOL) substitute tests for verified credit is on the Department of Education's Web site at [http://doe.virginia.gov/testing/substitute\\_tests/index.shtml](http://doe.virginia.gov/testing/substitute_tests/index.shtml). The additional test and newly adopted cut scores for pass/proficient and pass/advanced are in bold print.

The *ACT WorkKeys Reading for Information* test is available for use immediately for students who need a verified credit in reading. Scores for the *ACT WorkKeys Reading for Information* test will be used in calculating state accreditation; however, this test is not currently approved for use in federal accountability.

Questions regarding this information should be directed to student assessment staff at [Student\\_Assessment@doe.virginia.gov](mailto:Student_Assessment@doe.virginia.gov) or (804) 225-2102.

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Attachment:

- A. [SOL Substitute Tests for Verified Credit](#) (PDF)