

# 2020 Standardized Testing Options & Instructions

Although testing is not required in the state of Alabama nor does RCS require testing, Ridgecrest Christian School will host standardized testing for all area homeschoolers interested in testing. Bob Jones offers three options for testing using the **IOWA** standardized test. These testing options are as follows:

## **OPTION #1: ON-SITE TESTING** \*Paper and Pencil

This option is what has been offered in previous years. Testing occurs at Ridgecrest Baptist Church on three consecutive test dates (listed below). Parents order tests directly from Bob Jones University Press. This option is the typical standardized test with pencil and paper with “bubble” in answer document. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. each morning of testing. Testing begins promptly at 9 a.m. Please pick up your children promptly at scheduled pick up time.

**Testing Dates:**                      **Testing occurs on all three of the following consecutive days:**

**Tuesday, May 5, 2020 (8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)** Please check in at the Welcome Center desk this first day and pay testing fee for each student testing.

**Wednesday, May 6, 2020 (9:00 a.m. - 12:00p.m.)**

**Thursday, May 7, 2020 (9:00 a.m. - 12:00p.m.)** Note: Most classes finish early this day. Check at the Welcome Center desk at drop off that morning to confirm pick up time. If you have multiple children testing, please arrive at the earliest pick up time to wait with your child until all of your children are finished testing.

**Grade Levels:**                      **Current 3rd graders through high school**

**Testing Fee:**                      **Fee per student is to be determined – Based upon total number of students registered (due first day of testing on May 5<sup>th</sup>).** An email will be sent after registration deadline with amount of testing fee which should be no more than \$10 per student.

**Where to Order Test:** Bob Jones University Press at [bjupresstesting.com](http://bjupresstesting.com) or [1-800-845-5731](tel:1-800-845-5731)

**Let them know you are a homeschool parent and order under the following test administrator:**

Angel Hall  
Account # 1610250  
Ridgecrest Baptist Church  
1231 Fortner Street  
Dothan, Alabama 36301  
[334-791-4875](tel:334-791-4875)

**Deadline for ordering:**                      **Monday, March 30, 2020.**

**BJU test charges:**                      **All tests are \$25.**

**PAYMENT:** Payment will need to be paid via a credit or debit card. **NOTE: If you do not receive an email from Bob Jones shortly after ordering with your order confirmation, your order did not get processed.** Contact Bob Jones immediately to resolve issues with your order. Please note that charges will not go through your account until it is shipped from Bob Jones.

**TEST RESULTS:** Test results will be emailed directly to the parents from Bob Jones to the parent's email address provided to Bob Jones when tests were ordered. Results should be received within 2 to 3 weeks after being shipped. Parents can print a copy of the results if desired from the email link. However, if for some reason the email gets deleted, lost, etc., parents should contact Bob Jones and pay a nominal fee for those test results to be sent to them. The parent is the only one with access to the test results. Results can also be viewed on your personal Bob Jones account.

**When ordering, select Iowa Test - Form E.** In choosing this option, make sure to not choose the online option.

**Test Choices:** 3rd Grade - level 9  
4th Grade - level 10  
5th Grade - level 11  
6th Grade - level 12  
7th Grade - level 13  
8th Grade - level 14  
9th Grade - level 15  
10th Grade - level 16  
11th Grade - level 17

**What to bring:** Sharpened #2 pencils (NO MECHANICAL PENCILS), testing fee, snack and drink (NO CHEETOS, CHEESE PUFFS OR GREASY SNACK), book to read quietly if student finishes test sections early. All students will need to provide their name, address and birthday. If they do not know it, they will need to bring an index card with this information for them to mark on their answer documents. It is vital that this information is accurately provided.

**THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS ARE OPTIONS INDEPENDENT FROM RCS:**

### **OPTION #2: AT HOME / PARENT TESTING** \*Paper and Pencil

**Parents with a four-year college degree can become approved as a test administrator and administer the Iowa test to their own students at home. The parent determines their own schedule and testing dates.** The approval process is very simple and takes only a few days to become approved. This test is the paper and pencil test as offered in Option #1. Contact Bob Jones directly at the above referenced contacts. Parents order the tests directly from Bob Jones and select yourself as the test administrator. This option allows testing for all grade levels (not just 3<sup>rd</sup> through high school as in Option #1). Once testing is completed, parents ship tests back to Bob Jones for grading. This option is totally independent from RCS and the parent is responsible for the entire testing process. Tests are \$25 for 3<sup>rd</sup> through high school and \$35 for younger grades. No testing fee/student is required since not testing on-site.

### **OPTION #3: ONLINE TESTING** \*All online

**Many are transitioning to online testing. You can now proctor your child's standardized tests in the comfort of your own home with this new option of online testing. The entire test is administered online with an adult/parent as the remote proctor. NO COLLEGE DEGREE or additional requirements are needed.** By testing online, you get testing results in 10 days, no shipping costs, year-round testing, and an approved test administrator provided by BJU Testing and Evaluation. Parents choose either morning sessions or afternoon sessions. Morning sessions are from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Afternoon sessions are 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Note: All testing sessions are EASTERN time.** Please keep this in mind when choosing testing sessions. At the time of this posting, there were numerous testing session options from March through August. Testing with this option occurs on two consecutive days instead of three days with the onsite testing option. Tests are \$35 per student with no shipping costs or additional testing fee/student since not onsite. A system compatibility test is required on your device prior to testing. Select your testing dates and order at least three weeks in advance to ensure availability. Online testing software will require you to download and install a separate, secure browser. This browser will prevent the tester from navigating away from the test during the testing session. Only one question is displayed at a time which allows the tester to focus on one problem at a time. This is a huge advantage for students who have test anxiety. Also, this option prepares students for college classes which is trending toward testing online. Visit the following website and watch a short video explaining this option: <https://www.bjupresshomeschool.com/content/online-testing> Contact Bob Jones directly to place order at 800-845-5731.

### **ADDITIONAL TESTING OPTIONS:**

Another option is to go to [www.homeschooltestingservices.com](http://www.homeschooltestingservices.com) for the **Stanford-10** standardized test. This company offers on-site, at-home and online testing for the Stanford-10 test.