

OCTOBER 2008 ALS A&E TEST

ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM ACCREDITATION & EQUIVALENCY PROGRAM

What are the legal bases of the Alternative Learning System?

- Constitution of the Philippines 1987, Art. XIV, Sec. 15
- Executive Order No. 117 Sec. 115
- DepEd Order No. 32, 1972
- Proclamation No. 480

What is the ALS Accreditation and Equivalency (A&E) Test?

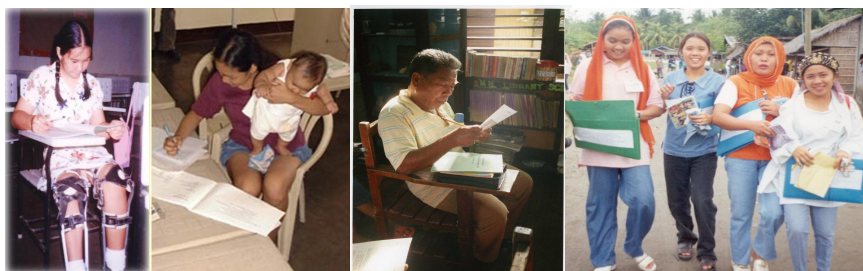
The ALS A&E Test formerly known as the Nonformal Education A&E Test is a multiple choice paper and pencil test. The test is designed to measure the competencies of those who have not finished either the formal elementary or secondary education. Passers of this test are given a certificate/diploma (which bears the seal and the signature of the Department Secretary) certifying their competencies as comparable to graduates of the formal school system. Hence, they are qualified to enroll in high school (for elementary level passers) and to enroll in college (for secondary level passers).

Who are the target clientele of the ALS A&E Test?

- An elementary level dropout at least 11 years old on or before October 5, 2008
- A high school dropout at least 15 years old on or before October 5, 2008
- Non-passers of previous ALS A&E Tests
- Youth and adults although in-school but overaged for Grade 6 (more than 11 years) or for 4th year (more than 15 years)

Others (at least basically literate) who may be:

- unemployed/underemployed OSYs and adults
- elementary and secondary school drop-outs/leavers
- industry-based workers, housewives, maids, factory workers, drivers
- members of cultural minorities/indigenous peoples (IPs)
- persons with disabilities (PWDs)/physically challenged
- inmates, rebel/soldier integrees



Most of these target learners live below the poverty line, predominantly coming from depressed, disadvantaged, underserved communities.

What does a prospective test taker do to prepare for the test?

- may see an ALS Official of the DepEd Division Office nearest to him/her to get basic information on A&E learning program
- may enroll in the ALS A&E learning program designed to help equip the prospective test taker with the necessary competencies to upgrade his/her knowledge and skills acquired from life experience

What does one benefit after passing the ALS A&E Test?

A secondary level test passer is given a chance to mainstream in the formal educational system of the country like:

- enroll in post secondary courses (technical/vocational, two/four/five-year course) of the CHED (for private colleges and universities – DepEd Memo #101 s.2001) and PASUC (for government owned/controlled – DepEd Memo #344 s.2000) member institutions;
- access to MFI (DepEd Memo #533 s.2000) and TESDA (DepEd Order #110 s.1999) skills training programs;

and a chance to acquire eligibility for government employment positions under CSC Resolution No. 499 (DepEd Order #20 s.2000).

An elementary level test passer is qualified to enroll as freshman in the secondary level education.

What is the ALS A&E Test made of?

The test is divided into 2 parts: the Multiple Choice Test and the Composition Writing. The test runs for 4 hours for the Elementary Level and 4 hours and 55 minutes for the Secondary Level.

The test covers the five Learning Strands (subject areas) of the ALS Curriculum:

Elementary Level: 4 hours

Multiple Choice = 3 hours & 30 minutes

Bahagi I	Kasanayang Pangkomunikasyon	50 items	45 minutes
Bahagi II	Matematika at Agham	50 items	70 minutes
Bahagi III	Kabuhayan at Likas na Yaman	50 items	50 minutes
Bahagi IV	Pagpapalawak ng Pananaw	50 items	45 minutes

Composition Writing = 30 minutes

Secondary Level: 4 hours and 55 minutes

Multiple Choice = 4 hours & 25 minutes

Bahagi I	Kasanayang Pangkomunikasyon	60 items	50 minutes
Bahagi II	English Communication Skills	60 items	35 minutes
Bahagi III	Matematika at Agham	60 items	70 minutes
Bahagi IV	Kabuhayan at Likas na Yaman	60 items	50 minutes
Bahagi V	Pagpapalawak ng Pananaw	60 items	50 minutes

Composition Writing = 30 minutes

How does one register for the A&E Test?

Registration period is held from August 1–31, 2008 in 199 Registration and Testing Centers (RTCs) nationwide. There is no extension period for said registration. However, walk-in test takers may register on the day before the test from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The prospective test taker/registrant shall accomplish the registration form and shall:

- provide any of the following documents as proof of their identity:

➤ copy of birth certificate	➤ TIN card
➤ copy of marriage contract	➤ valid driver's license
➤ form 137	➤ valid passport
➤ voter's ID	➤ postal ID

- provide all the required data and affix their signature on the space provided for it;
- provide two copies of their latest 1" x 1" photo;
- submit accomplished registration form to test registration officer; and
- get the lower portion of the registration form for presentation to the Examiner on the day of the test for proper identification.

Where does one take the A&E Test?

One (1) Registration & Testing Center (RTC) preferably a secondary school is designated for each Division. List of said RTCs are found at the last page. Qualified test takers shall report to the same venue to take the A&E Test on the following dates:

Area Covered	Date of Test
Regions IX, X, XI, XII, XIII (Caraga) & ARMM	October 5, 2008
Regions V, VI, VII & VIII	October 12, 2008
Regions I, II, III & CAR	October 19, 2008
Regions IV-A, IV-B & NCR	October 26, 2008

What does an A&E test passer do after results are released?

An A&E Test passer gets the following documents:

What	Where	When
Certification (upon request) – a whole single page document signed by the Director IV (BALS) or by the Regional Director and/or Schools Division Superintendent certifying that he/she passed the test.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bureau of Alternative Learning System (BALS) DepEd Central Office, Meralco Ave., Pasig City; - Office of the Regional Director; - Office of the Schools Division Superintendent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Office hours, Monday to Friday, released during or the next working day
Examinee Report Form/ Individual Test Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DepEd Division Office which supervises a particular testing center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - March 2009
Certificate / Diploma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DepEd Division Office which supervises a particular testing center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - April 2009

For more information, you may:

- Call** Tel. No. (02)635-5188, 635-5193 and 632-1361 loc.2083
- Fax** message to No.(02)635-5189
- Text** at our DETxt Action Center at 0919-4560027
- Email** to cedbals@gmail.com
- Write** The Director IV – Bureau of Alternative Learning System (BALS), 3rd Floor Mabini Bldg., DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City 1600

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October 2008 ALS A&E Testing Centers

214 testing centers in 199 Divisions nationwide

REGION	DIVISION	REGISTRATION / TESTING CENTER	
I	Ilocos Norte	Filipinas NHS (Bingao Annex)	
	Ilocos Sur	Narvacan NCHS	
	La Union	Don Eulogio De Guzman Mem'l. NHS	
	Pangasinan I	Pangasinan NHS	
	Pangasinan II	Juan G. Macaraeg NHS	
	Dagupan City	Dagupan West CES	
	Laoag City	Ilocos Norte National High School	
	San Carlos City	Speaker Eugenio Perez NHS	
	Urdaneta City	Urdaneta City National High School	
	Alaminos City	Alaminos NHS	
	Candon City	Candon City Information Technology NHS	
	Vigan City	Ilocos Sur National High School	
	San Fernando City	La Union National High School	
	II	Batanes	Batanes National H.S.
		Cagayan	Lal-lo National High School
		Isabela	Isabela National High School
		Santiago City	Santiago North Central School
Nueva Vizcaya		Solano National H.S.	
Quirino		Quirino Comprehensive Gen. H.S.	
Cauayan City		Cauayan National H.S.	
Tuguegarao City		Tuguegarao North Central School	
III		Aurora	A.V. Mijares Elementary School
		Bataan	Tomas Pinpin Memorial ES
	Bulacan	Mariano Ponce High School	
	Nueva Ecija	Nueva Ecija National High School	
	Pampanga	San Matias Elementary School	
	Tarlac Province	Capas East Central School	
	Zambales	Zambales NHS	
	Angeles City	Sto. Rosario Elementary School	
	Balanga City	Balanga Integrated School	
	Cabanatuan City	Honorato C. Perez Mem'l Science HS	

	Gapan City	Gapan South Central School
	Malolos City	Sta. Isabel Elementary School
	Muñoz City	Muñoz Central School (Pob. South)
	Olongapo City	Olongapo City Elementary School
	San Fernando City	Sindalan Elementary School
	Tarlac City	Sto. Cristo Elementary School
	SJ Del Monte City	Sapang Palay National High School
IV-A	Batangas Prov.	San Pascual NHS
	Cavite Province	Dasmariñas National High School
	Laguna	Calamba Bayside NHS
	Quezon	Quezon National HS
		Quezon Provincial Jail
	Rizal	Cainta Elementary School
	Antipolo City	Juan Sumulong Elementary School
	Batangas City	Julian A. Pastor Memorial E.S.
	Calamba City	Calamba Elementary School
	Cavite City	Cavite National High School
Lipa City	Padre Valeriano Malabanan E.S.	
Lucena City	Lucena West I Elementary School	
San Pablo City	San Pablo Central School	
Santa Rosa City	Santa Rosa Elementary School	
Tanauan City	Tanauan South Central School	
IV-B	Marinduque	Mog-pog Central Elementary School
	Occidental Mind.	Sablayan National High School
		San Jose Pilot Elem. School
	Oriental Mindoro	Socorro Central School
	Palawan	Claudio Sandoval Elementary School
		Rio Tuba National High School
		Narra Pilot School
	Romblon	San Agustin Central Elementary School
		Romblon Central School
		Magdiwang Central School
Calapan City	Adriatico Memorial School	
	Provincial Jail	
	P. Princesa City	Puerto Princesa City Central School
V	Albay	Malabog High School

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	Camarines Norte	Labo Elementary School
	Camarines Sur	Rodriguez High School
	Catanduanes	Virac Pilot Elementary School
	Masbate	Cataingan NHS
	Sorsogon	Gubat North Central School
	Iriga City	Iriga Central School
	Legazpi city	Bagumbayan Central School
	Ligao City	Ligao West Central Elementary School
	Masbate City	Jose Zurbito Sr. Elementary School
	Naga City	Naga Central School II
	Sorsogon City	Sorsogon National High School
	Tabaco City	Tabaco City National High School
VI	Aklan	Kalibo Elementary School I
	Antique	Del Angel Salazar Elementary School
	Capiz	Capiz National High School
	Guimaras	Sta. Teresa NHS
	Iloilo	Iloilo National High School
	Negros Occidental	Negros Occidental National High School
	Bacolod City	Rizal Elementary School
	Bago City	Bago City Elementary School
	Cadiz City	Dr. Vicente F. Gustilo Memorial NHS
	Iloilo City	A. Mabini Elementary School
		BJMP
	Kabankalan City	Erams West Central Elementary School
	La Carlota City	La Carlota South Central School I
	Passi City	Passi National High School
	Sagay City	Sagay National HighSchool
	San Carlos City	Cong. Vicente Gustilo Sr. Memorial School
	Silay City	Dona Montserrat Lopez Mem'I. H.S.
	Roxas City	Pres. Manuel Roxas Memorial School
VII	Bohol	Sierra Bullones NHS
	Cebu Province	Dalaguete NHS
	Negros Oriental	Sibulan NHS

	Siquijor	Tambisan NHS
	Bais City	Bais City HS
	Bayawan City	Bayawan NHS
	Cebu City	Abellano National School
	Danao City	Beatriz D. Duranao Mem'I. NHS
	Dumaguete City	Dumaguete City NHS
	Lapu-Lapu City	Marigondon NHS
	Mandaue City	Mandaue City Comprehensive NHS
	Tagbilaran City	Dr. Cecilio Putong National High School
	TalisayCity	Cansojong NHS
	Tanjay City	Tanjay City Science HS
	Toledo City	Luray II NHS
	Bogo City	Binabag NHS
	Carcar City	Carcar City NHS
	Guihulngan City	Guihulngan NHS
	Naga City	Naga NHS
VIII	Biliran	Naval Central School
	Eastern Samar	Eugenio S. Daza Pilot Elementary School
	Leyte	Baybay North Central School
	Calbayog City	Division Office Central
	Catbalogan City	Samar NHS
		Samar Provincial Jail
	Northern Samar	Bobon School for Philippine Craftsmen
	Southern Leyte	Sogod Central School
	Western Samar	Samar National High School
	Ormoc City	Cogon Central School
	Maasin City	Maasin Central School
	Tacloban City	Rizal Central School
		City Jail
IX	Zambo Norte	Sindangan National Agricultural School
	Zambo Sibugay	Kabalasan National HS
	Zamboanga Sur	Guipos NHS
	Dapitan City	Sulangon NHS
	Dipolog City	Zamboanga del Norte NHS
	Isabela City	Basilan NHS

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	Pagadian City	Zamboanga del Sur NHS
	Zamboanga City	Zamboanga City High School (Main)
X	Bukidnon	Malaybalay City Central School
	Camiguin	Mahinog Central School
	Lanao del Norte	Kolambugan Central School
	Mis. Occidental	St. John the Baptist High School
	Mis. Oriental	Misamis Oriental General Comp. H.S.
	CDO City	City Central School
	Gingoog City	Don Restituto Baul Central School
	Iligan City	Iligan City NHS
	Tangub	Tangub City National High School
	Oroqueta City	Misamis Occidental National High School
	Valencia City	Valencia City National High School
	Ozamiz City	Ozamiz City Central School
XI	Com. Valley	Nabunturan National Comprehensive H.S.
	Davao del Norte	Carmen National High School
		Davao del Norte Provincial Jail
	Mati City	Mati National Comprehensive HS
	Davao Sur	Davao del Sur School of Fisheries
	Davao City	Daniel R. Aguinaldo National High School
		RRCY
		BJMP
	Digos City	Digos NHS
	Panabo City	Panabo NHS
	Samal City	Nieves Villarica NHS
	Tagum City	Tagum City NHS
		Tagum Jail
XII	North Cotabato	Kabacan Pilot Elementary School
	Saranggani	Malapatan National High School
	South Cotabato	Surallah Central Elementary School
	Sultan Kudarat	Isulan Central School
	Cotabato City	Notre Dame Village Elementary School
	Gen. Santos City	Irineo Santiago National High

		School
	Kidapawan City	Kidapawan City Pilot Center
	Koronadal City	Koronadal Central Elementary School I
	Tacurong City	Tacurong Pilot Elementary School
Caraga	Agusan del Norte	Buenavista Special Educ. Integrated School
	Agusan del Sur	Agusan del Sur National High School
	Siargao	Dapa National High School
	Surigao del Norte	Amando Fabio Memorial NHS
	Surigao del Sur	Tandag SPED Center
	Butuan City	Agusan National High School
	Bislig City	Bislig NHS
	Surigao City	Caraga Science HS
	Dinagat Islands	Don Ruben Ecleo HS (DREHS)
ARMM	Basilan	Concepcion Central Elementary School
	Lamitan	Lamitan Central School
	Lanao del Sur I-A	Tamparan Central Elementary School
	Lanao del Sur I-B	
	Lanao del Sur II-A	Malabang Central Pilot School
	Lanao del Sur II-B	
	Maguindanao	Shariff Aguak Central Elementary School
	Sulu	Mohammad Tulawie Central Elem. School
	Tawi-Tawi	Bongao School of Arts and Trades
	Marawi City	A.P.C.E.S.
CAR	Abra	Abra HS
	Apayao	Sipa Imelda NHS
		Conner Central School
	Benguet	Benguet National High School
	Kalinga	Bulanao Central School
	Ifugao	Lagaue Central School
	Mt. Province	Mt. Province General Comp. High School
	Baguio City	Quezon ES

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NCR	Caloocan City	Caloocan High School
	Las Piñas	Las Pinas East NHS
	Makati City	Makati HS
	Malabon/Navotas	Malabon NHS
	Mandaluyong	Mandaluyong HS
	Manila	Padre Gomez Elementary School
	Marikina City	Marikina Elementary School
	Muntinlupa	Pedro E. Diaz High School
	Pasig/San Juan	Rizal HS
	Parañaque	Parañaque Central Elementary School
	Pasay City	Pasay City East High School
	Quezon City	Don Alejandro Roces Sr. Science Tech. H.S.
		QC Jail
	Taguig/Pateros	Upper Bicutan NHS
		Camp Bagong Diwa
	Valenzuela City	Dalandanan NHS

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