

NOCTI Vendor FAQ

Vendor Name: National Occupational Competency Testing Institute (NOCTI)

Product Name: Credential Blueprints

Question	Answers
<p>What grades are covered?</p>	<p>7th through 12th-grade Career and Technical Education Please refer to NOCTI's credential blueprints to review available titles.</p>
<p>Is there a pre/post-test?</p>	<p>Yes, for the purposes of TIA, districts would use Pre-test/Post-test Option 2.</p>
<p>What is NOCTI?</p>	<p>NOCTI is an ISO-17024 accredited non-profit organization with over 55 years of experience in developing and delivering industry credentials and resources for career and technical education (CTE) programs across the nation. NOCTI has expanded its products and services to include classroom materials for credential preparation, tools for data usage, delivery of national partner certification exams, customized reporting, and professional development.</p> <p>NOCTI offers industry credentials in all career clusters and provides specific information related to the 2022-24 IBC List for Public School Accountability on the Texas page at nocti.org.</p>
<p>What was NOCTI designed to do?</p>	<p>In the 1960s, NOCTI was established with a mission to provide occupational teacher assessments. Over the past five decades, NOCTI's products and services have evolved to meet the needs of the CTE community and the increasing demand for skilled workers. Student credentialing programs in states, districts, and schools now make up NOCTI's largest consumer group.</p> <p>NOCTI credentials are developed by teams of subject matter experts to meet industry standards and requirements and result in credentials measuring skills and competencies critical for student success outside the classroom. Students have the opportunity to earn certification and college credit recommendations based on successful completion of a credential.</p>

<p>How can I use NOCTI?</p>	<p>Most NOCTI credentials consist of a knowledge-based and skill-based component and offer students opportunities to earn certification and college credit recommendations. With over 120 titles, CTE programs can review blueprints to determine the title that best aligns with their program. Pre/post testing options allow for use of data to support individual and classroom learning, and remediation plans as well as for overall program improvement. Districts can incorporate NOCTI into their programs by creating a no-cost account with NOCTI.</p> <p>Districts designate an individual to serve as the NOCTI Site Coordinator and complete a testing agreement. The testing agreement can be found in the Contact section of the NOCTI website. Once the agreement is completed and electronically signed, it routes to NOCTI and a school account is created. NOCTI then engages in a personalized onboarding process for new sites, which includes multiple touch points to provide support and guidance. There is no annual membership or subscription fee to be a NOCTI customer.</p> <p>Once an account is created, districts can order credentials and any other support resources needed for the program.</p> <p>NOCTI’s QuadNet™ system is used to manage a NOCTI testing program and for online test administration. Sites place orders, manage testing, access resources, and view and export score reports and data through the account management module. Since sites are purchasing a service, there is no additional set-up or installation required on the client side. Online tests are delivered via web browser, thereby utilizing software technology already resident on the user’s computer which eliminates the need for downloading an entire test to a server or individual workstation.</p>
<p>Does NOCTI provide expected growth targets for students? Yes/No Answer</p>	<p>No, NOCTI does not provide the expected growth targets for students but criterion-referenced cut scores as well as site, state, and national averages for each assessment are provided. NOCTI considers the criterion-referenced cut score to be the NOCTI benchmark for earning a NOCTI credential. The site, state, and national averages can be used for comparative purposes for developing growth targets.</p>
<p>How can districts use NOCTI to determine end-of-year student growth for purposes of TIA?</p>	<p>Incorporating pre- and post-tests into a CTE program can provide essential data to assist in determining student growth. A pre-test can be administered to determine a student’s baseline technical knowledge when used at the beginning of a program or course. Pre-test data is also useful at key points during a program for measuring end-of-year or mid-program growth, as well as for creating learning or remediation plans.</p> <p>When an end-of-program post-test is administered in combination with the pre-test administration, pre/post-test comparison reports provide valuable data to assist in determining growth at the end of the program. Data from post-tests can be used to show individual student improvement and assess overall program effectiveness.</p>

What types of data reporting capabilities are included with NOCTI?

NOCTI provides data in numerous formats that can meet a variety of needs including individual and program improvement. NOCTI's system incorporates export tools that offer data in PDF and Excel formats. The standard scoring package described below is included with all NOCTI credentials.

Comprehensive test results are available to the site within two business days of the processing of the assessment scores on NOCTI's Client Services Center and include the following components.

- Individual Reports: Provided for each test taker and includes scores for each standard as well as a total score. The report includes comparative data for group, site, state, and nation.
- Group Score Report: Displays a summary of the test results for all test takers within a specified testing group. Test takers are listed alphabetically with individual scores for each standard and a total score.
- Analysis of Scores: Provides useful comparative data that can be helpful in making inferences about the observed test results. Group, site, state, and nation averages are displayed for both the total test and each standard. State and national averages are updated in January and July of each year. Group and site averages are updated with every test administration. Note: this report is not available with pre-testing.
- Competency Reports: The competency report provides detailed data to pinpoint both strengths and areas which may need improvement. Analyzing the Competency Report is also beneficial for discussing test taker learning methods and classroom and curricular improvement.

For more information on this resource please refer to the vendor website and reach out to a representative.

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For more information on the Teacher Incentive Allotment, please visit the [Teacher Incentive Allotment website](#).