

PREPARING FOR A BLACKBOARD TEST



Cover the following steps before taking a test in a Blackboard course.

1. REVIEW TEST DETAILS

Before taking a test, find the link to the test and then review the details such as the **time limit**, **availability**, and **attempts allowed**.

Test details may be available from the announcements section of a course. Check with your course instructor, or syllabus, for more information.

TEST SETTINGS CAN VARY FROM COURSE TO COURSE.

2. SCHEDULE A TIME FOR THE TEST

Schedule a time to take the test. Timed tests continue to run until the time expires. **Exiting a test midway for a break does not pause the timer.**



3. CHECK COMPUTER

Take the test on a desktop or a laptop. Using a laptop? Connect it to power to ensure that it does not go to sleep if the battery is low.



4. CHECK INTERNET CONNECTION

Using a wired connection is recommended. Using a wireless connection? Make sure the wireless access point is visible to ensure a strong wireless signal. Access points at CSUDH are usually mounted on ceilings.

DO NOT TAKE A TEST ON A MOBILE DEVICE.



5. CHECK WEB BROWSER

Use a [Blackboard supported web browser](#) such as [Mozilla Firefox](#) and [Google Chrome](#). Before taking a test on Blackboard, close and restart the browser.