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SUBJECT: Changes to the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) Cut Scores

Beginning in the 2014-2015 school year, upon successful completion of a Military Science program (JROTC I, II, and/or III), students taking the ASVAB examination must meet the branch-specific cut score as identified in the chart below. ASVAB scores are used primarily to determine [enlistment eligibility](#), assign applicants to [military jobs](#), and to aid students in [career exploration](#). Additionally, students who earn a passing score may use this certification towards graduation requirements for certain verified credits. Pass/Fail scores are submitted in the Career and Technical Education Credential Collection (CTECC), due by July 31, 2015.

The [ASVAB](#) is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. The "Overall" ASVAB Score is known as the Armed Forces Qualification Test Score (AFQT). Scores are computed using the standard scores from four ASVAB subtests: Arithmetic Reasoning (AR), Mathematics Knowledge (MK), Paragraph Comprehension (PC), and Word Knowledge (WK).

ASVAB Cut Scores for 2014-1015	
Military Branch	AFQT Cut Score
Air Force	36
Army	31
Coast Guard	40
Marine Corps	32
Navy	35

AFQT= Armed Forces Qualification Test Score

If you have any questions, please contact Joseph Wharff, industry credentialing specialist, at cte@doe.virginia.gov or by telephone at 804-225-2052.

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