Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What will the test schedule be? (ending times approximate)

April 24 (Wednesday) Third Grade Only 9am – 10:30am April 25 (Thursday) Third – Eighth 9am-12:30

April 26 (Friday Third – Twelfth 3-8 Grade 9am – 1:30; HS 9am-3:00

Core only students leave at 10:30 for 3-8 grade; HS at 12:30

Q: Where will the testing occur?

First Baptist Church of Lexington on Barr Road has agreed to host testing again this year.

Q: Will I be able to have my special needs child tested?

Due to limitations in testers, we regret that we will NOT be able to make any special concessions for special needs students. If your child can take the test under the same conditions as the other students (including the time limitations), they are welcome to be tested.

Q: Will you test my child if I'm not a member of SHIELD?

No. This is a service by SHIELD members for SHIELD members only.

Q: What is the difference between the Core Battery and the Complete Battery?

The Core Battery consists of the math, reading, and language subtests. The Complete Battery includes all the Core Battery tests *as well as* sources of information, science, and social studies. These subtests are optional. They will be given on Friday after the core battery is completed.

Q: Can my child use a calculator?

Students are permitted to use a calculator on some (not all) of the math subtests. A calculator is not necessary to complete the work and it is optional. If your child normally does not use one, I would not recommend them using one for this test. We will not provide calculators. If you want your child to use one, they must bring it themselves and you should indicate your permission on the Shield Application form..

Q: Will my child only be tested with other children of the same grade?

The high school will be a separate group. The lower grades (3-8) will be divided based upon the numbers in each age group. Usually this ends up being 3rd and 4th, 5th and 6th, 7th and 8th.

Q: Will my child receive any breaks and snacks?

We have breaks scheduled at intervals during the testing agenda. We will **not** provide a snack, but we do recommend that you send a snack with your child to eat during the break. Students may bring water into the testing area, but no other open snacks or drinks will be allowed in the testing room. On Friday, all high school students, and all younger students (grades 3-8) who plan to take the complete battery, need to **bring a lunch** with them.

Q: Where can I get practice tests for my child?

You may order practice tests from Bob Jones Testing and Evaluation. We do not order or administer practice tests.

Q: Why can't I send in the order directly to BJU myself?

We place the order as a group both to ensure that proper testing procedures are followed and so that we know how many students will be testing and that we are adequately staffed.

Q: When will I get the results of the test?

The results will available 6-8 weeks (maybe less). BJU has a system that will require you to visit their web site with your account number to access your scores rather than sending out paper copies. We will have all the information you need to do that compiled by the week of testing.

To register a child for the SHIELD lowa Testing:

1. Complete BJUP Order Form

- Print order form from attached file (or if you received an order form in the mail, you can use that)
 Make sure to print out the **HOMESCHOOL form
 - Because of a change in BJU procedure, make sure the email address you list is an active account.
- First page of the order form
 - o Complete entire "Customer Information" section on left side of first page of form
 - Sign and date the section in the box on the left side.
 - o Do **NOT** complete the "Tester Information" section on right side of first page.
- Second page Top Section
 - o Indicate quantity of each grade level test you are order under the top section (it does not matter if you are choosing core or complete battery) and total price for that section.
- Last page
 - Complete the last page as follows: (all other pages can be discarded if printing from the BJU link)

Α	Total from page 8			
В	-0-			
С	same as line A			
D	-0-			
E	-0-			
F	same as line A			
G	tax according to chart			
H- Rush	-0-			
H- Foreign	-0-			
I	total lines H & I			

# of tests	Test Cost		Tax (7%)	Total
1	\$	29.00	2.03	31.03
2	\$	58.00	4.06	62.06
3	\$	87.00	6.09	93.09
4	\$	116.00	8.12	124.12

- 2. Complete the SHIELD lowa Testing Application form.
- 3. Send application, order form, and check (unless you are including your credit card information) made payable to BJU Testing and Evaluation to:

Elizabeth Collins 292 Cannon Trail Road. Lexington, SC 29073

If you have any questions, contact Elizabeth at 356-5858 or at aikosmom@sc.rr.com

^{*}You may also pay by credit by completing info on order form

^{**}DO NOT send the application directly to BJU. We will only test those who apply through SHIELD.

^{**}This must be received on or before February 22th. After this date, we will not be able to make any changes to the testing. Those orders placed will be nonrefundable and new students will not be able to be added after February 22th.