

Why use an ACTFL Test?

The American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) assessments were developed, researched and built using the ACTFL proficiency guidelines and scale. The ACTFL scale is one of three globally recognized measures of language proficiency: ACTFL, ILR and CEFR. ACTFL assessments are exclusively distributed by Language Testing International since 1992, and are the most widely recognized, reliable and legally defensible test on the market.

Candidates interested in taking the official, certified ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) should follow these instructions:

- 1. TN OPI Test Schedule
 - Click the link to select a date and time convenient to for scheduling the OPI interview.
 http://www.tncourts.gov/sites/default/files/docs/2019 testing schedule 2.pdf
- 2. Register and pay for an ACTFL OPI
 - Go to: https://tms.languagetesting.com/individualsite/
 - o If a new user, click BUY A TEST
 - If not, enter email address and password (Click "forgot password", if help is needed)
 - Click GET STARTED
 - o Answer "NO" to the question "Are you testing for State Teacher Certification"
 - o Enter Institution Name "Tennessee Court Interpreter Services", click CONTINUE
 - Select the language to be tested, click CONTINUE
 - o Select the Live Speaking Test (OPI) Certified, click CONTINUE
 - Select Proctor Location for testing
 - For the TN Proctor Locations, click the "VIEW CONTACT AND PRICING INFORMATION"
 - Prior to scheduling the OPI at a TN Courts test location, you must contact Ryan Mouser at the Tennessee Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) at 615-741-2687 or ryan.mouser@tncourts.gov to confirm the test date and time
 - Follow the instructions to schedule the OPI test date and time options for your test location time zone
 - o A credit card is required for purchase
- 3. What to expect:
 - Access and review the OPI Examinee Handbook prior to the test date
 - On test day, bring a photo ID (i.e., driver's license, passport, employee ID card)
 - The ACTFL OPI is a 15-20 minutes interview conducted by telephone between the test taker and a live, ACTFL-certified tester
 - The interview will be recorded and sent to an ACTFL-certified rater for review and rating of the assessment
 - The rating result is returned to the TN AOC within 24 business hours.
 - The AOC will communicate results by email within 5 business days

Questions? Contact Ryan Mouser with the Administrative Office of the Courts at (615)741-2687