



The Roger Bacon Academy

Classic Learning Test 8 (CLT8), What is it? How did we do?

Classical Learning Test is a company in Maryland that publishes tests for schools with classically based curricula. Tests are published for each grade 3-12, and each grade's test consists of three types of 120-question sections: Verbal Reasoning, Grammar and Writing, and Quantitative Reasoning.

The CLT8 is a diagnostic and summative assessment for grades 7 and 8 and is designed to take between two and three hours for determining high school readiness. CLT8 is given nationally to hundreds of schools nationwide, and the table below shows the 2024 ranking for the Top Twenty schools. Both Classical Charter Schools of Leland and Classical Charter Schools of Whiteville are at the top of the list.

Top Twenty Schools Ranked Nationally by Scores of CLT8			
Classic Learning Test, Grade 8 – 2023-2024 Academic Year			
Rank	School Location	School Type	School Tuition
1	Leland, NC	Charter: CCS-Leland	\$0
1	Mason, OH	Private	\$15,555.00
2	Ridgefield, WA	Private	Yes
3	Whiteville, NC	Charter: CCS-Whiteville	\$0
3	Naperville, IL	Private	\$11,215.00
4	Hillsdale, MI	Private	\$7,890.00
5	Houston, TX	Private	\$11,336.00
6	Bloomfield Hills, MI	Private	\$14,585.00
7	New Castle, DE	Private	\$11,752.00
8	Coeur d'Alene, ID	Private	\$7,490.00
9	Mercer Island, WA	Private	\$15,700.00
10	Apex, NC	Private	\$6,900.00
11	San Marcos, CA	Private	\$9,088.00
12	New York, NY	Private	\$36,000.00
13	Ridgeland, MS	Private	\$6,200.00
14	Spokane, WA	Private	\$10,100.00
15	Holly Springs, NC	Private	\$6,900.00
16	Omaha, NE	Private	\$4,990.00
17	Clayton, NC	Private	\$6,900.00
18	Wentzville, MO	Private	\$10,995.00
19	Madison, WI	Private	\$10,500.00
20	Falls Church, VA	Private	\$20,750.00

The Verbal Reasoning sections measure a student's ability to comprehend and analyze texts sourced from classic children's literature including poetry, fairy tales, fables, and historical fiction, as well as from non-fiction sources representing history, civics, and the arts.

The Quantitative Reasoning sections measure a student's ability to perform arithmetic and mathematical computations and to reason geometrically and mathematically.

The CLT10 is for 10th grade and can replace the PSAT. CLT12 is for 11th and 12th grades and is designed to replace the SAT or ACT tests for college admission. Over 250 colleges accept the CLT for their admissions standards.

A CLT8 practice test may be viewed here:

<https://info.cltexam.com/hubfs/Ops%20and%20CS/CLT8%20Practice%20Exam%20with%20Answer%20Key.pdf>

CLT states the following on page 37 of the CLT8 test booklet.

"Re-Introducing Truth, Beauty, and Goodness To Modern Education

At Classic Learning Test, we strive to provide assessments steeped in content that is intellectually richer and more rigorous than other standardized tests and college entrance exams. Our author bank—from which we draw our exam material—is composed of men and women who have made invaluable contributions to culture and history. Ultimately, CLT seeks to serve you in your mission to provide a richer, more meaningful education to those who matter most."

CCS-Leland and CCS-Whiteville's high scoring in the elite Top Twenty is due to the twenty-five years of continual development by RBA's Curriculum Department under Jessica Lopez, Dean of Classical Humanities, and Ali Cause-Nance, Dean of Math/Science, along with the coaches and teaching teams dedicated to educating the children of North Carolina.

