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TSI College Readiness Standards
Dual Enrollment Eligibility

A high school student is eligible to enroll in academic dual credit courses if the student: (A) demonstrates college readiness by achieving the minimum passing standards under the provisions of the Texas Success Initiative (TSI), (B) demonstrates that he or she is exempt under the provisions of the TSI, or if student demonstrates TSI college readiness in reading, writing, and/or math under the following conditions:

Test	College Readiness	Testing Section	Required Score
STAAR EOC	Math	Algebra I	Level 2 final recommended score as defined by TEA & a passing grade in Algebra II course
	Math	Algebra II	Level 2 final recommended score as defined by TEA
	Reading and Writing	English II	Level 2 final recommended score as defined by TEA
PSAT/NMSQT	Math	Mathematics	Combined score of 107 with a minimum of 50 on the math test
	Reading and Writing	Reading	Combined score of 107 with a minimum of 50 on the reading test
PLAN	Math	Mathematics	Composite score of 23 with a 19 or higher in Math
	Reading and Writing	English	Composite score of 23 with a 19 or higher in English
ACT-ASPIRE	Math	Mathematics	*Score of 431 or higher*
	Reading and Writing	English	*Score of 435 or higher*
ACT	Math	Mathematics	Composite score of 23 with a minimum of 19 math test
	Reading and Writing	English	Composite score of 23 with a minimum of 19 on English test

SAT

SAT administered prior to March 5, 2016: a combined critical reading (formerly "verbal") and mathematics score of 1070 with a minimum of 500 on the critical reading test shall be exempt for both reading and writing sections of the TSI Assessment; a combined critical reading (formerly "verbal") and mathematics score of 1070 with a minimum of 500 on the mathematics test shall be exempt for the mathematics section of the TSI Assessment.

SAT administered on or after March 5, 2016: a minimum score of 480 on the Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) test shall be exempt for both reading and writing sections of the TSI Assessment; a minimum score of 530 on the mathematics test shall be exempt for the mathematics section of the TSI Assessment. There is no combined score.

Mixing or combining scores from the SAT administered prior to March 5, 2016 and the SAT administered on or after March 5, 2016 is not allowable.

For further information, please see Texas Admin. Code, Title 19: Ch. 4, §4.53 & §4.54

TSI ASSESSMENT (TSIA) College Readiness Standards

Approved phase-in College Readiness Standards

Phase 1 – Freshmen entering higher education **Fall 2013 (first class day)**

- ✓ Mathematics - 350
- ✓ Reading - 351
- ✓ Writing –
  - Placement score of at least 350 and an essay score of at least a 5; OR
  - Placement score of at least 363 and an essay score of 4; OR
  - Placement score of less than 350, and an ABE Diagnostic level of at least a 4, and an essay score of at least a 5

Phase 2 – Freshmen entering higher education **Fall 2017 (first class day)**

- ✓ Mathematics - 356
- ✓ Reading - 355
- ✓ Writing –
  - Placement score of at least 350 and an essay score of at least a 5; OR
  - Placement score of at least 363 and an essay score of 4; OR
  - Placement score of less than 350, and an ABE Diagnostic level of at least a 4, and an essay score of at least a 5

Final – Freshmen entering higher education **Fall 2019 (first class day)**

- ✓ Mathematics - 369
- ✓ Reading - 359
- ✓ Writing –
  - Placement score of at least 350 and an essay score of at least a 5; OR
  - Placement score of at least 363 and an essay score of 4; OR
  - Placement score of less than 350, and an ABE Diagnostic level of at least a 4, and an essay score of at least a 5

Approved Developmental Education standards (no phase-in)

Freshmen entering higher education **Fall 2013 (first class day)**

*Note: **Diagnostic results** must be used in conjunction with **Placement score** when placing students who are not college-ready [Rule §4.55(c)]; these students should NOT be placed based solely on Placement scores.*

- ✓ Mathematics – TSIA Placement score 336 -349; OR TSIA Placement score 310-335 and ABE Diagnostic level of 5/6
- ✓ Reading – TSIA Placement score 342-350; OR TSIA Placement score 310-341 and ABE Diagnostic level of 5/6
- ✓ Writing –
  - TSIA Placement score of 350-362 and an essay score of less than 5; OR
  - TSIA Placement score of at least 363 and an essay score of less than 4; OR
  - TSIA Placement score of less than 350, and ABE Diagnostic level of at least a 4, and an essay score of less than 5