

EXAM FOR ACCELERATION (EFA)

Exams for Acceleration will be offered **online** to students enrolled in grades **3-12** in the 2022-23 school year who request to demonstrate proficiency in a grade level or course in which they have not previously been enrolled.

Online proctoring is not available for K-2 subjects.

Students in these grades are required to test in person and on paper (face-to-face) at a Killeen ISD site.

These exams are for students with **NO PRIOR INSTRUCTION.**

It is recommended that students requesting to take the EFA have an overall average of 90% or higher in their core courses, a 90% or higher average in the prerequisite course in which the student wishes to accelerate, and campus recommendation.

For grades 1-5, the campus principal must recommend that the student be accelerated. Campus recommendation criteria is available in the district admin procedures.

For grades 1-8, 4 exams (language arts, math, science and social studies) must be taken. Students in grades 1-8 may only accelerate one grade level per academic year.

For grades 9-12, each exam is worth 1/2 credit. In order to receive one full credit, 2 exams must be taken.

*In order to accelerate a grade level, the student must take and pass **each exam with an 80% or higher before the start of the school year for which acceleration is desired.***

AVANT LOTE ASSESSMENT

The district will provide the opportunity for students to take a Language Other than English exam if the student is proficient in a language in 2 or more language domains: speaking, listening, reading, and writing. An application for AVANT LOTE testing is available in the counseling office. AVANT testing will take place at the beginning and end of each year.

Available languages: Arabic, Cantonese, Filipino, French, German, Hebrew, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Samoan, Spanish, Swahili, Urdu, Vietnamese, and many more.

CREDIT BY EXAM (CBE)

CREDIT RECOVERY

Credit by Examinations will be offered to students in grades 6-12 who have failed to satisfactorily complete a course or grade level in which they were previously enrolled. The following criteria **must** be met:

- Previous grade for subject to be tested must be no lower than 60.
- Courses for which tests are to be taken must have been attempted within the school year immediately preceding the test date.

The application must have a copy of the student's transcript attached to verify the failed course(s).
(High School Only)

For grades 6-8, to receive credit for an entire grade level that was previously failed, the student must score 70% or higher on each of four tests in language arts, math, science and social studies.

For grades 9-12, students only take the semester (1/2 credit) of the course they failed.

To receive credit for a course/grade that was failed, the student must score **at least a 70%** on the test(s) taken.

How to Apply for EFA/CBE

Speak with your school counselor to identify the exam(s) needed and obtain information about the application and study guides. There is no charge for a student to take an EFA or CBE, as long as the test is ordered before the registration deadline and you have a campus recommendation.

After the campus and parent have completed the application, the student's counselor will submit the application and student transcript to the Assessment & Accountability Department.

DEADLINES

Registration Deadline	Deadline to Complete Exam	
*Oct. 28, 2022	Dec. 31, 2022	*Only high school courses are available in Oct. & Jan. for acceleration
*Jan. 20, 2023	Mar. 11, 2023	
May 24, 2023	July 14, 2023	*Grade acceleration is only available in the summer.
June 14, 2023	Aug. 4, 2023	

Approximately **2-3 weeks** after each registration deadline listed above, students who registered for an exam will receive an email with instructions for completing their online exam(s).

Students must complete their exams before the above deadline. Campuses must be given the opportunity to process exam score reports prior to the grading period or 1st day of school.
EFAs and CBEs will not be ordered at any times other than those listed above.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Proctorio is an online proctoring system coordinated through the University of Texas that allows students to take their CBEs at home without a proctor physically present in the room. The online proctoring system integrates an identification process, lockdown browser, and video recording as students complete their exams on their own computer at home, or anywhere.
- All credit by exams, for students enrolled in grades 3-12 during the 2022-23 school year, will be required to be taken online with Proctorio services.
- Technical requirements:
 - * Google Chrome (required)
 - * Webcam (required)
 - * Microphone (required) Devices allowed: Chromebooks with the Proctorio plug-in; desktops and laptops with a Chrome Browser and the Proctorio plug-in Devices not allowed: Phones, iPads, and mobile devices
- Student will be required to show a photo ID to take exam
- See *Proctorio Guide for Students and Families* for important additional information

ALTERNATIVE METHODS TO REGAIN CREDIT

This brochure is intended to provide specific information on the various ways in which students can receive credit by exam in Killeen ISD. There are other ways to earn credit such as: summer school, Evening Academy, correspondence courses, concurrent credit, Edgenuity, and Pathways.

The process for regaining credit begins with the student and parent speaking with the school counselor. This will ensure that the test to be ordered is the one needed by the student. KISD cannot accept enrollment applications without a KISD counselor's signature. KISD does not allow changes to be made to the exams ordered. If the wrong test is ordered, the correct test must be reordered and the entire process is repeated.

For further information, please contact your child's guidance counselor. Additional information may be obtained from:

University of Texas at Austin
K-16 Education Center

http://highschool.utexas.edu/credit_by_exam
1-888-232-4723

Texas Tech University — TTU ISD
<https://enroll.ttuisd.ttu.edu/catalog/heading.asp>
1-800-692-6877

Study guides are available at
https://highschool.utexas.edu/cbe_study_guides

or

<https://www.depts.ttu.edu/k12/current-students/forms/cbe-review-sheets/>

To find out about all options to earn credit or to test outside the district administrations, see your school guidance counselor for details.

AVAILABLE EXAMS

Exams for Grades 1—8

Language Arts

Mathematics

Science

Social Studies

Exams for High School

English Language Arts - **English I, *English II*, English III, and English IV

Mathematics - **Algebra I*, Geometry, Math Models, Algebra II, and Pre-Calculus

Science - Astronomy, **Biology*, Chemistry, Environmental Systems, IPC, and Physics

Social Studies - World Geography, World History, **U.S. History*, U.S. Government, and Economics

P.E. - Foundations of Physical Fitness, Individual Sports

Fine Arts - Art I

Electives - BIM I, Communication Applications, Child Development, Digital and Interactive Media, Dollars and Sense, Health, Interpersonal Studies, Money Matters, Lifetime Nutrition & Wellness, Principles of Information Technology, Psychology, Sociology, and Web Design

Exams are available for first and second semesters and are worth 1/2 credit each.

** English I, English II, Algebra I, Biology, and U.S. History exams now qualify for EFAs—if students are successful (80 or better) on both semester EFAs for an EOC course, they will be exempt from EOC testing for that subject.*

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2022-2023



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