

## Semester Exam Exemption Criteria for Spring 2010

### Fort Bend ISD Student/Parent Handbook for Secondary Schools (pg. 27)

***Ninth grade exemptions*** – English and math exams only: Students must meet the minimum standard (2100 scale score) on the English and math TAKS test and have a minimum grade of 80 or above in the applicable courses. For semester exemption purposes only, three (3) tardies will equal one (1) absence and a student may not have more than four (4) absences in each class during the spring semester. Students must attend exempted classes on test day in order to receive exam exemptions. Students may not have a removal to the CAEP/DAEP/JJAEP on their discipline record and may not have outstanding fees or fines.

***Tenth grade exemptions*** – English, math, science, and social studies exams only: Students must meet the minimum standard (2100 scale score) on all sections of TAKS tests and have a minimum grade of 80 or above in the applicable courses. For semester exemption purposes only, three (3) tardies will equal one (1) absence and a student may not have more than four (4) absences in each class during the spring semester. Students must attend exempted classes on test day in order to receive exam exemptions. Students may not have a removal to the CAEP/DAEP/JJAEP on their discipline record and may not have outstanding fees or fines.

***Eleventh grade exemptions*** – Students are eligible to receive an exemption in any course: Students must meet the minimum standard (2100 scale score) on all sections of the exit level TAKS tests and have a minimum grade of 80 or above in the applicable course. For semester exemption purposes only, three (3) tardies will equal one (1) absence and a student may not have more than four (4) absences in each class during the spring semester. Students must attend exempted classes on test day in order to receive exam exemptions. Students may not have a removal to the CAEP/DAEP/JJAEP on their discipline record and may not have outstanding fees or fines.

***Twelfth grade exemptions*** – Students are eligible to receive an exemption in any course: Students must meet the minimum standard (2100 scale score) on all sections of the exit level TAKS tests and have a minimum grade of 80 or above in the applicable course. For semester exemption purposes only, three (3) tardies will equal one (1) absence and a student may not have more than four (4) absences in each class during the spring semester. Students must attend exempted classes on test day in order to receive exam exemptions. Students may not have a removal to the CAEP/DAEP/JJAEP on their discipline record and may not have outstanding fees or fines.

**NOTE:** Students eligible for an exemption may take one (1) or more exams to improve their semester average. This is optional and initiated by the student or parent. Exemptions are contingent upon receipt of TAKS scores from the Texas Education Agency by the end of May 2010. In addition, absences due to school-sponsored activities or death in the student's immediate family are not counted in assessing a student's eligibility for exemptions.