

**2022-2023 EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR
FALL AND SPRING SEMESTER EXAMS**

9th and 10th Grade

Attendance: No more than 4 absences for the semester. 3 tardies equal 1 absence for exemption purposes.

Discipline: No removals to DAEP/JJAEP during the current school year.

Fines/Fees: No outstanding fines or fees.

Grades: Must have a semester average of 80 or above for the semester in the course eligible for exemption.

State Testing: Must have met minimum standard on the EOC exam for the course eligible for exemption.

Exemptions: Eligible for 3 exemptions in core courses only. (Math, Science, ELA, or Social Studies)

Test Days: Students must attend class during exam exemptions to receive exemptions.

11th Grade

Attendance: No more than 4 absences for the semester. 3 tardies equal 1 absence for exemption purposes.

Discipline: No removals to DAEP/JJAEP during the current school year.

Fines/Fees: No outstanding fines or fees.

Grades: Must have a semester average of 80 or above for the spring semester in the course eligible for exemption.

State Testing: Must have met minimum standard on the EOC exam for the course eligible for exemption (US History).

Exemptions: Eligible for 4 exemptions in core courses only. (Math, Science, ELA, and Social Studies)

Test Days: Students must attend class, or all required activities during exam exemptions to receive exemptions.

12th Grade

Attendance: No more than 4 absences for the semester. 3 tardies equal 1 absence for exemption purposes.

Discipline: No removals to DAEP/JJAEP during the current school year.

Fines/Fees: No outstanding fines or fees.

Grades: Must have a semester average of 80 or above for the spring semester in the course eligible for exemption.

State Testing: Must have met minimum standard on the EOC exam for the course eligible for exemption.

Exemptions: Eligible for exemptions in **all** courses.

Test Days: Students must attend class, or all required activities during exam exemptions to receive exemptions.

*****With official documentation, these absences will not count against a student's exemptions (all others excused):**

Higher Education Visits (2 visits)

TAPS at a Military Funeral

Court Appearance

Armed Services Enlistment

Early Voting Election Clerk

Driver's License/Permit (1 per yr)

Citizenship Proceedings

Military Dependents

Health Care Appointments (partial day absence)

TEA allowed Religious Holy Days

Mentorship

Children in Conservatorship of DFPS

Fast Facts About Truancy and Attendance

1. Students/parents have 5 days upon the student's return to school to turn in a note to the campus attendance office. Notes can be sent via email, fax or paper copy turned in to the attendance clerk. Do not send notes to your student's teachers. Without a note, the absences become unexcused.
2. At 3 unexcused absences, whole or partial day, in a 4-week period, the District is required to send the student and parent a warning letter, notifying them of the unexcused absences.
3. At 5 unexcused absences, the student and/or parent will be invited to attend the online or in person Truancy Diversion Program.
4. According to Texas state law, at 10 unexcused absences, whole or partial day, in a 6-month period, there may be a discretionary court referral by the Student Attendance Specialist, based on consultation with the campus.
5. Students and parents are strongly encouraged to monitor their attendance frequently on Skyward/Family Access.

Please do not hesitate to call or email your campus's Student Attendance Specialist with any questions or concerns:

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