

Exemption Criteria

Fall 2023 and Spring Semester 2024

Note: For some students, exemption eligibility criteria include passing an End of Course Exam (EOC). If a student has not passed the EOC exam for that course, they are not eligible to be exempt from the Spring semester exam in that course. If EOC scores are not received from TEA prior to the start of the Spring semester final exams then the exemption criteria will only be based on attendance, discipline, fines/fees, and grades.

For extenuating circumstances, students could regain exemption eligibility (example: student has absences due to surgery as a result of competing in an athletic contest for FBISD) if the campus principal and assistant superintendent assigned to the school approve.

9th and 10th Grade

Attendance: No more than 8 absences for the semester, 3 tardies equal 1 absence for exemption purposes.

The following recorded absences do not count as one of the 8 absences a student is allowed for exam exemptions:

- Present but not in class (example: in the counselor's office during the period)
- School sponsored curricular activity and/or extra-curricular activity
- UIL activity

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, or all required activities during exam exemptions to receive exemptions.

11th Grade

Attendance: No more than 8 absences for the semester, 3 tardies equal 1 absence for exemption purposes.

The following recorded absences do not count as one of the 8 absences a student is allowed for exam exemptions:

- Present but not in class (example: in the counselor's office during the period)
- School sponsored curricular activity and/or extra-curricular activity
- UIL activity

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 (US History).

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

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

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

12th Grade

Attendance: No more than 8 absences for the semester, 3 tardies equal 1 absence for exemption purposes.

The following recorded absences do not count as one of the 8 absences a student is allowed for exam exemptions:

- Present but not in class (example: in the counselor's office during the period)
- School sponsored curricular activity and/or extra-curricular activity
- UIL activity

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 exemptions in *all* courses.

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

FAILURE TO PERFORM SATISFACTORILY ON AN EOC

If a student does not perform satisfactorily on an EOC, the District will provide accelerated instruction. Failure of a student to attend accelerated instruction may result in violations of required school attendance.

If official documentation is provided the absence(s) listed below will not count against student exemptions. If a parent email is sent, the absence will be excused, but will count toward student exemptions.

- Health Care Appointments (partial same day absence)
- Higher Education Visits (2 visits per year)
- TEA recognized Religious Holy Days
- Driver's License/Permit (1 per year)
- Armed Services Enlistment
- Early Voting Election Clerk
- TAPS at a Military Funeral
- Citizenship Proceedings
- Court Appearance
- Mentorship
- Military Dependents
- Children in Conservatorship of DFPS
- Work-based Learning Opportunity (2x per yr)