

TExES Testing Guidelines for Advanced Certification Programs

Practice Test

The Candidate:

- Must be admitted to the Educator Preparation Program (EPP)
- Must have TEA ID # and Social Security #
- May be required to retake the Test Preparation Seminar if absent more than two class sessions
- Must register for and retake the Test Preparation Seminar if the candidate does not make an 85% on one of the
 <u>four attempts allowed</u> on the TExES Practice Test.

Texas Examination of Educator Standards (TExES)

The Candidate:

- Must have completed required content course work in his or her degree plan before registering for the test preparation course (seminar) or be taking any remaining content courses in his or her degree plan during the semester in which he or she is registered for the test preparation course (seminar).
- Must pass all sections of the TExES practice test with 85%, which includes both constructed responses and multiple-choice items.
- Must take the TExES exam within 30 days of passing the practice test.
 - o If the candidate does not take the TExES exam within 30 days of passing the practice test, the candidate must retake the practice test and score 85% or better.
 - o If the candidate does not pass the practice with 85% or better, the candidate may be required to retake the appropriate Test Preparation Seminar.
- The State of Texas allows a student to retake a TEXES exam four times (for a total of five attempts).
- Must wait 30 days to retest per Texas state guidelines.
- Advanced Certification candidates who have failed an attempt of any TExES exam must obtain permission from the appropriate program director to retest or begin preparation for a different TExES examination. Remediation and/or proof of content proficiency is required to help ensure candidates are able to pass the exam before limiting out on the 5 attempt rule implemented by the state beginning September 1, 2015.

Returning to Seek Test Approval

- In accordance with 19 TAC 228.40(d):
 - The EPP at Dallas Baptist University may require additional coursework or test preparation for students seeking test approval after finishing their certification program.
 - The EPP at Dallas Baptist University may require candidates to reapply to the EPP and pay for coursework necessary to prepare for the intended examination after five years have passed, or if the test/standards have changed.

By signing the university application, you acknowledge that you have received, understand, and agree to abide by the above "Testing Guidelines."