



TEExES Testing Guidelines for Initial Certification Programs

Practice Test

The Teacher Candidate:

- Must be admitted to the Educator Preparation Program (EPP)
- Must have TEA ID # and Social Security #
- Must have taken and passed the TOEFL exam- International Students, if appropriate
- **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 **three attempts allowed** on the TExES Practice Test.
- **You may not be enrolled in two TExES seminars at the same time.** Passing one TExES (state) exam will allow you to register for the next test preparation seminar.

Texas Examination of Educator Standards (TExES)

The Teacher Candidate:

- 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.
 - 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.
- **Must understand 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
- Initial 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.

Clinical Teaching

The Teacher Candidate:

- Must pass both the content TExES and either the PPR or STR (if applicable) exams prior to being approved for Clinical Teaching.

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.

I understand, have received a copy of, and agree to the above "Testing Guidelines."

Print Name

Student ID #

Signature

Date