



HALLSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exam for Acceleration Grades 3-12

According to SB 1365, Section 2.023, Credit by Exam, has been amended to read, in part, as follows:

Grades K-5

(b) A school district shall give a student in a primary grade level credit for a grade level and advance the student one grade level on the basis of an examination for acceleration approved by the board of trustees under Subsection (a) if:

(1) The student scores in the **80%** or above on each section of the examination;

Grades 6-12

(c) A school district shall give a student in grade level six or above credit in the Subject approved by the board of trustees under subsection (a) if the student Scores in the **80%** or above on the examination. If a student is given credit in a subject on the basis of an examination, the district shall enter the examination score on the student's transcript and the student is not required to take an end-of-course assessment instrument adopted under Section 39.023.

Hallsville ISD will offer, through Region VII Education Service Center, Credit by Exam tests from the University of Texas at Austin for grades 3-12 in June and July which will satisfy TWO of the required testing windows.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Dates Administered</u>	<u>Testing Sessions</u>
Region 7 ESC	June 12 & 13, 2016	8:30 AM & 1:00 PM
Region 7 ESC	July 10 & 11, 2016	8:30 AM & 1:00 PM

Testing sessions begin at 8:30 AM and 1:00 PM. Because of the time allotted for each Test (3 hours), students must arrive promptly for each of the testing times. In addition, students who are taking multiple tests should allow for more than one testing day. Tests usually take from one to three hours to complete with three hours being the maximum time allowed for EACH test taken. Students choose either June or

July to complete tests. The cost to Hallsville ISD is \$30.00 PER test. If we have paid for the tests and the student decides not to take the test, it will be the responsibility of the parent(s) to pay for it.

A battery of four (4) exams (Math, Language Arts and Reading, Science and Social Studies) is offered for Grades 3-5. The complete battery must be taken.

The following exams are offered for grades 6, 7, and 8.

- Grade 6 – Math, Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science
- Grade 7 – Math, Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science
- Grade 8 – Math, Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science

Students may earn credit for an academic subject in grades 6-12 if he/she has met the stipulated requirements.

A complete listing of exams for grades 9-12 can be found at: <http://www.utexas.edu/ce/k16/cbe-ea/exams-available/> Please note that at the High School level, each semester exam is ½ credit unless otherwise indicated.

To register for an exam, complete the District Registration Form for 2015 Credit by Examination/Examination for Acceleration by listing the name of each student, the exam(s) requested and the dates preferred to the **Curriculum Office by April 19, 2017 at 3:30 PM (P.O. Box 810; Hallsville, Texas 75650).**

Further information to be distributed to students and parents will be sent once registration information has been received.

For more information, you may contact:

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