

Texas Success Initiative Assessment 2.0 (TSIA2) Exemption Rules

ACT & SAT EXEMPTIONS

SCORES CAN BE NO MORE THAN FIVE YEARS OLD

ACT Scores required for TSIA2 Exemption	SAT Scores required for TSIA2 Exemption
Composite Score: 23 or higher Subtest: Math Score of 19 or higher *TSIA2 MATH EXEMPT*	Beginning March 2016 Subtest: Math Score of 530 or higher *TSIA2 MATH EXEMPT*
Composite: 23 or higher Subtest: English Score of 19 or higher *TSIA2 WRITING & READING EXEMPT*	Beginning March 2016 Subtest: Critical Reading Score of 480 or higher *TSIA2 WRITING & READING EXEMPT*

TAKS EXEMPTION

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Eleventh grade exit-level TAKS Scores of 2200 or higher on math and/or 2200 or higher in English Language Arts with a writing composition rating of at least 3.

[The English Language Arts and written composition sections must be met together]

If neither or only one area is met, the student must take both the reading and writing sections of the Assessment.

STAAR EXEMPTION

STAAR end-of-course (EOC) with a **Level 2 score or higher** on the **English III Section**
TSIA2 READING/WRITING EXEMPT

STAAR end-of-course (EOC) with a **Level 2 or higher** on the **Algebra II Section**
TSIA2 MATH EXEMPT

EXISTING COLLEGE DEGREE EXEMPTION

Earned associate or bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

TEXAS COLLEGE BRIDGE CERTIFICATE

Texas College Bridge (TCB) Certificate Retrieval

If you still have your log in to TCB website you can retrieve certificate(s) using this link.

- <https://texascollegebridge.org/student/>

After Graduation your Certificates may be housed in GreenLightLocker

- <https://greenlightlocker.com/>

Click on the share icon and complete the following:

- Send To: **Testing Coordinator** and Email: **Testing@Tsu.Edu**

If you have Math and Language Arts, you will have to send separately.

*****TCB Certificates are valid for 2-years after date of graduation*****

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MILITARY EXEMPTION

Military Service:

- a) Students who serve in the state of Texas as active duty members of the Armed Forces of the United States. Official documentation of active duty status for the enrollment period is required. Students must file a Verification of Active Duty form each semester which can be obtained in the Base Education Office.
- b) Students who are on active duty in the Texas National Guard.
- c) Students who are members of a reserve component of the armed forces for at least 3 years preceding enrollment.
- d) Students who on or after August 1, 1990, were honorably discharged, retired, or released from active duty as a member of the United States Armed Forces, Texas National Guard, or member of reserve component. A copy of the DD214 form showing this status is required.

TRANSFER STUDENT EXEMPTIONS

Students who are transferring to Texas Southern University (TSU) from a private and/or out-of-state, regionally-accredited college or university, may meet sections of the TSI Assessment based on the grade of a C or higher in courses that are equivalent to the following TSU courses:

Writing*

- Freshman English I & II: ENG 131 or ENG 132

Reading*

- English Literature: 230, 231, 235 & 244 (World, American & African-American)
- United States History: HIST 231 or 232
- American Government: POLS 235 or 236
- General Psychology: PSY 131

Mathematics*

- College Algebra or any Higher Level Math: MATH 133

*If **one or more exemptions are met**, please review and confirm that the appropriate test scores and/or official transcripts are submitted to the appropriate office and TSIA2 Coordinator via email: TSI@Tsu.Edu.

All test scores/transcripts must be submitted to receive exemptions