

Texas Success Initiative Exemptions

- Scored a 23 or higher on the ACT composite and a minimum of 19 on both the English and math tests;
- SAT administered prior to March 2016: Earned a combined (verbal critical reading + math) SAT score of 1070, with a minimum score of 500 on both sections;
- SAT administered March 2016 and later: Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) minimum score of 480, Mathematics minimum score of 530 (no combined score needed);
- STAAR end-of course (EOC) with a minimum Level 2 score of 4000 on the English III shall be exempt from the TSI reading and writing, and a minimum Level 2 score of 4000 on the Algebra II EOC is exempt from the TSI math.
- A student who has graduated with an associate or baccalaureate degree from an institution of higher education.
- Veterans, active duty personnel, and a student who is serving as and, for at least 3 years preceding enrollment, has served as a member of a reserve component of the U.S. armed services; A student who on or after August 1, 1990, was honorably discharged, retired, or released from active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States or the Texas National Guard or service as a member of a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States.
- Transfer from another institution having satisfactorily completed college-level coursework; or
- Enroll in a certificate program of one year or less (Level One certificates) at a public institution.
- A student who successfully completes a college preparatory course under TEC 28.014 is exempt for a period of 24 months from the date of high school graduation. The student must enroll in the student's first college - level course in the exempted content area in the student's first year of enrollment in an institution of higher education.

TSI Assessment Exemption – SB 2786 (Effective Fall 2025)

Beginning in Fall 2025, additional exemptions will be available per Senate Bill 2786. These exemptions apply to certain professions and require relevant documentation during the admissions process.

- **Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs):** You are an EMT certified under Chapter 773, Health and Safety Code, and are employed by a political subdivision.
- **Fire Protection Personnel:** You are fire protection personnel as defined under Government Code § 419.021.
- **Peace Officers:** You are a peace officer under Article 2A.001, Code of Criminal Procedure.