

Testing & Remediation Policies

WTAMU's EPP has the following testing expectations for all undergraduate and graduate candidates:

- Study for all exams and treat all practice exams like the “official” TExES exam.
- Pass both practice and “official” TExES exams on the first attempt and within 90 days of the approval date. After 90 days the approval will be voided, and the candidate must re-demonstrate readiness for the official exam by taking another practice exam.
- Turn in all test scores as soon as they are received—no longer than 45 days.
- If unsuccessful on the first attempt, candidates should remediate and follow a set remediation plan.
- Once the student passes any TExES exam, they will need to turn in the official score report to OM 415 as this will become a part of their EPP file.
- **Note:** Core Subjects EC–6 (291) exam has 5 sections scored separately and Core Subjects 4-8 (211) exam has 4 sections scored separately; *candidates are expected to pass all sections of a practice exam in 1-2 attempts within 90 days.*

TExES Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC–12 (160) - PPR

- Take the practice PPR exam for the final exam in EPSY 3341. No cost for this exam if proctored by the EPP and candidates will receive a letter with their score and instructions for next steps.
- Students who score 80% or higher will be given approval for the “official” TExES exam and the student will have 90 days to take the TExES exam before the test approval expires. Pearson score reports must be turned into the EPP Office OM 415 for your file.
- Students who score below 80% must document their study on the remediation log and demonstrate readiness for another approval.
- Remediation logs can be turned in to the EPP office in OM 415/418 for another practice approval. The Testing/Remediation Coordinator will send an email with your approval, unless exam readiness was not demonstrated, with instructions to register with WTAMU Educational Services. There will be a cost of \$30.
- Once the exam is taken, *score reports must be turned into the EPP Office in OM 415.*

TExES Content Exams:

- Take the practice content exam during Methods courses; about 4-6 weeks into the semester or when directed by the professor.
- Contact the Testing/Remediation Coordinator for the first attempt approval.
- Students who score 80% or higher will be given approval for the “official” TExES exam and the student will have 90 days to take the TExES exam before the test approval expires. Pearson score reports must be turned into the EPP Office OM 415 for your file.
- Students who score below 80% must document their study on the remediation log and demonstrate readiness for another approval.
- Remediation logs can be turned in to the EPP office in OM 415/418 for another practice approval. The Testing/Remediation Coordinator will send an email with your approval, unless exam readiness was not demonstrated, with instructions to register with WTAMU Educational Services. There will be a cost of \$30.
- Once the exam is taken, *score reports must be turned into the EPP Office in OM 415.*

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Remediation Hours

The key is quality study time and candidates who focus on a set number of hours may not achieve quality study time. Candidates should follow these guidelines:

- Practice scores 70-79 and TExES scores 230-239 *may* only need 5-15 hours of study *depending on the attempt* of the particular exam;
- Practice scores below 70 and TExES scores below 230 require at least 25 hours of study (*Note:* per failed section of Core Subjects exams);
- Candidates will need to complete the TExES Remediation Log provided by the Office of Teacher Preparation and Advising (can be found online at <https://www.wtamu.edu/academics/education-certification-program.aspx>);
- After completing the remediation plan, candidates must contact the Testing/Remediation Coordinator to have them signed indicating readiness to pass all portions of the certification exam on the next attempt;
- If a candidate requires a 3rd attempt, additional remediation will be required, such as 50 hours of remediation (*Note:* per failed section of Core Subjects exams);
- Any attempts after 3 will require individual counseling by the Testing Coordinator or Director of Teacher Preparation and extensive remediation before a 4th or 5th attempt would be considered.
- Candidates may request to take a practice exam prior to another attempt at the official Texas exam. Some candidates may be required to take a proctored practice exam depending on individual candidate's circumstances.
- The office of educator preparation program has suggested study resources at this website [TExES Preparation Resources](#) but are not limited to these resources.
- Candidates who fail any official TExES teacher certification exam must wait 30 days to register for the next exam attempt based on WTAMU's EPP testing policies regarding retakes. TEA and Pearson's policy can be found here: http://www.tx.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=TXCBT_TestingPolicies.html&t=TX291.