

What Is The TSI?

Students who are in their freshman or sophomore school year must demonstrate college readiness by achieving the minimum passing standards under the provisions of the Texas Success Initiative (TSI).

Students who are in 9th or 10th grade must achieve the minimum passing standards in the areas of Reading and Writing. Eleventh grade students must meet TSI requirements in all three-subject areas including Math.

The TSI Assessment is a computer-based assessment UTPB uses to determine students ability for admission. The TSI helps to determine if students are ready to take college level courses. Students are considered college ready if at the very least they receive the following scores on TSI:

MATH	350 TO 390
READING	351 TO 390
WRITING	4 On Essay/ 363 TO 390

TSI Resources

Improve your academic skills by taking advantage of the learning tools that TSI offers. To ensure that test scores accurately represent your skill levels, you may wish to review basic concepts in reading, grammar, arithmetic, trigonometry and algebra before taking TSI.

To gain information about TSI, visit:

<http://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students/prepare-for-accuplacer>

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Savings

The Average cost of tuition in the state of Texas is approximately 22,290 dollars. Adding to the tuition are the following amounts:

- Books: \$1,200
- Housing: \$7,550
- Food: \$1,800

In ECHS, students will be taking for free up to two years of online college courses. Students will also be provided with free help and support when and how they need it. Therefore, total savings for attending Early College High School go up to nearly \$30,000.

Not only do you save your child money, you give them the opportunity to be successful since the successful completion of a degree drastically increases for students who have completed 24 hours or more of a college program.

Benefits



Early College High School gives students an idea of what fulltime college coursework will be like. By trying out a few classes while still in high school, your child can get used to the academic environment before he or she leaves the comfort and support of home.

Also, most students change their majors at least once. Taking a college class as a High School Student can help your child find his or her area of interest before the pressure is on to declare a major. Perhaps the biggest benefit of enrolling in Early College High School is that your child may start accumulating college credits, helping him or her graduate on time or even early.

Requirements

To be enrolled in dual credit courses, interested High School students who are in their freshman or sophomore school year must:

- Submit all required paperwork as determined by the designated ECHS and university. **(May 1st)**
- Obtain consent from parents or guardian, principal, and school counselor.
- Parents must be involved in the graduation planning process. No student may make changes without the parent's consent.
- Before taking college courses, students must demonstrate college readiness by achieving the minimum passing standards under the provisions of the Texas Success Initiative (TSI). If taking courses with "TSTC", students are not required to pass the TSI but must attempt it.
- Students are required to travel to the University when trips are made.