

Meeting Texas Success Initiative (TSI) Program Standards

The Texas Success Initiative (TSI) is state-legislated program designed to improve student success in college. One component of this initiative is the Texas Success Initiative Assessment (TSIA). Meeting TSIA standards is a requirement for high school graduates entering the following Texas public institutions/programs:

- **Two-year institutions of higher education:** For students pursuing an Associate's degree or earning credits to transfer to a 4-year college.
- **Four-year institutions of higher education:** For students pursuing a Bachelors degree.
- **Level II Certification Programs:** For students who want to complete technical certification (Example: Aircraft Technology, Automotive Technology, Business Communications Specialist, Electrical Trades, and Construction Technology)

Students who do not meet all criteria required for at least **one** of the assessments listed below will be expected to enroll in developmental courses in college that will not count towards their degree or certification.

Students can meet TSI standards on any one of the assessments below. Meeting all criteria specified for any one of the 3 assessments listed below also qualifies a student to enroll in dual credit courses at Seguin Early College High School.

TSI Assessment:

- Mathematics: 350
- Reading: 351
- Writing: A score on multiple choice of 340 to 390 **AND** essay score of 4 to 8 **OR** a score on multiple choice of 310 to 339 **AND** ABE Diagnostic level is 4 to 6 **AND** essay score of 5-8

SAT: (administered prior to March 2016):

- A **minimum combined critical reading and mathematics score of 1070** with a minimum score of 500 on the mathematics test for a TSI exemption in math;
- A **minimum combined critical reading and mathematics score of 1070** with a minimum score of 500 on the critical reading test for a TSI exemption in both reading and writing

SAT (administered on or after March 5, 2016):

- A minimum score of 530 on the Mathematics test for a TSI exemption in math (no combined score required);
- A minimum score of 480 on the Evidenced-Based Reading & Writing (EBRW) for a TSI exemption in both reading and writing (no combined score required)

Mixing or combining scores from the SAT administered prior to March 2016 and the SAT administered on or after March 5, 2016 is not allowable.

ACT:

- A student with an ACT composite score of at least 23 and a math score of at least 19 is exempt from the math requirement.
- A student with an ACT composite score of at least 23 and an English score of at least 19 is exempt from the reading and writing requirements.