

FRISCO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Credit by Examination for Advancement

Parent Information

The purpose of the Credit by Examination for Advancement program is to allow students to advance in grade level or progress to courses that challenge them without having to take prerequisites that cover information they already know. The Frisco Independent School District annually provides examinations for students in Grades K-12 on at least three days between January 1 and June 30 and three days between July 1 and December 31. All testing dates for Credit by Examination for Advancement are advertised at school and in the community.

There is no charge for the tests given on the scheduled dates; however students will be assessed a fine if they do not take an examination for which they registered. However, a student must wait until the next scheduled administration to retest on an exam in which he or she fails to score 90% or better. The district is not obligated to provide study guides or textbooks for students to prepare for the examinations.

There is no limit to how many grade levels or courses a student may skip through Credit by Examination for Advancement. A student may take up to eight semester-level examinations during each testing period. A student in Grades 1-5 may advance one grade level in each testing period. A student in Grades 6-12 may earn credit for up to eight semester-level courses in each testing period.

A student with disabilities may receive test modifications that are required by the student's Section 504 Accommodation Plan or the IDEA (Special Education) Individual Education Plan.

Criteria for Advancement:

Grades 1-5: Examinations for Grades 1-5 are criterion-referenced tests from Texas Tech University, the University of Texas or other testing instruments approved by the Board of Trustees. A student in Grades 1-5 must be accelerated one grade level if he or she meets the following requirements:

1. The student scores 90% or above on each of the criterion-referenced tests in language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies for the grade level he or she wishes to skip.
2. A school district representative recommends acceleration of the student.
3. A parent or guardian approves acceleration of the student.

Grades 6-12: Examinations for Grades 6-12 are criterion-referenced tests from Texas Tech University, the University of Texas or other testing instruments approved by the Superintendent or designee.

1. A student in Grades 6-12 will be given credit for an academic subject if the student scores 90% or above on each of the criterion-referenced examination for the applicable course.
2. If the student scores 90% or above, regular credit is given and the examination score is entered on the student's transcript.
3. Courses taken for high school credit will not be computed in class rank.

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Credit by Examination with Prior Instruction

Parent Information

The purpose of the Credit by Examination program is to allow students to earn credit for courses to which they have had prior instruction. All testing dates for Credit by Examination are established by each campus.

Students who register for credit by exam with prior instruction will be responsible for the cost of the exam. Fees must be paid at time of registration. The district is not obligated to provide study guides or textbooks for students to prepare for the examinations.

A student with disabilities may receive test modifications that are required by the student's Section 504 Accommodation Plan or the IDEA (Special Education) Individual Education Plan.

Grades 6-12: Examinations for Grades 6-12 are criterion-referenced tests from Texas Tech University, the University of Texas or other testing instruments approved by the Superintendent or designee.

1. A student to Grades 6-12 will be given credit for an academic subject if the student scores 70% or above on each of the criterion-referenced examination for the applicable course.
2. A student must have received a grade of at least 60 in the course failed in order to gain credit by such an examination.
3. If the student scores 70% or above, regular credit is given and the examination score is entered on the student's transcript.
4. Courses taken for high school credit will not be computed in class rank.

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APPLICATION FOR CREDIT BY EXAMINATION WITH PRIOR INSTRUCTION GRADES K – 12

Test Dates: To Be Determined by Campus

Return application to campus Counselor

The purpose of the Credit by Examination for Advancement program is to allow students to earn credit for courses in which they have had prior instruction. Please complete the information below:

Student Name Last First MI Today's Date
Street Address City State Zip Home Phone Number
Student Social Security Number Birth Date Age Current Grade Campus

Does the student have a Section 504 Accommodation Plan or an IDEA (Special Education) Individual Education Plan that requires test modifications? Yes No

Note: If you are unsure about this question, please ask your school counselor.

Please indicate below whether you are applying for a grade level advancement or for credit in specific subject areas:

KINDERGARTEN

I wish to have my five year old child skip kindergarten and advance directly to first grade.

GRADES 1-5

I wish to have my child skip grade level (please circle one) 1 2 3 4 5 to advance to the next grade level.

GRADES 6-12

I wish to have my child tested to receive credit in the following academic subject(s):

Table with 3 columns: Subject, Semester, Has there been previous instruction in this course? (Yes/No)

SIGNATURES:

Parent Name (Print or Type) Student Name (Print or Type) School Representative Name (Print or Type)
Parent Signature & Date (Required for all levels) Student Signature & Date (Required for 6-12) School Rep. Signature & Date (Required for K-5)

Students who register for Credit by Exam with prior instruction will be responsible for the cost of the exam. Fees must be paid at time of registration. If you need further assistance, contact your campus Counselor

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APPLICATION FOR CREDIT BY EXAMINATION FOR ADVANCEMENT GRADES K – 12

The purpose of the Credit by Examination for Advancement program is to allow students to advance in grade level or progress to courses that challenge them without having to take prerequisites that cover information they already know. This service is offered to students free of charge. Please complete the information they already know. This service is offered to students free of charge. Please complete the information below:

Student Name Last First MI Today's Date
Street Address City State Zip Home Phone Number
Student Social Security Number Birth Date Age Current Grade Campus

Does the student have a Section 504 Accommodation Plan or an IDEA (Special Education) Individual Education Plan that requires test modifications? Yes No

Note: If you are unsure about this question, please ask your school counselor.

Please indicate for which testing date you are applying. You must complete a separate application for each student and each set of testing dates:

Blank lines for testing dates.

Please indicate below whether you are applying for a grade level advancement or for credit in specific subject areas:

KINDERGARTEN

I wish to have my five year old child skip kindergarten and advance directly to first grade.

GRADES 1-5

I wish to have my child skip grade level (please circle one) 1 2 3 4 5 to advance to the next grade level.

GRADES 6-12

I wish to have my child tested to receive credit in the following academic subject(s):

Table with columns: Subject, Semester, Has there been previous instruction in this course? (Yes/No)

SIGNATURES:

Parent Name (Print or Type), Student Name (Print or Type), School Representative Name (Print or Type)
Parent Signature & Date (Required for all levels), Student Signature & Date (Required for 6-12), School Rep. Signature & Date (Required for K-5)

Students who register for an examination and do not take the examination will be assessed a fine equivalent to the cost of procuring the examination, including charges for shipping and handling. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will receive written notice of child's specific examination date(s), time(s), and location(s) approximately two weeks prior to testing.

If you need further assistance, contact your campus Counselor