

Lindale Independent School District

LISD Credit by Exam and Grade Acceleration Procedures

Credit by examination is one method for students to demonstrate proficiency in grade level or course content. The Texas Education Code (TEC), 28.023, allows students to either accelerate a grade level or earn credit for a course on the basis of credit by examination.

Credit By Examination assessments (CBEs) are administered by LISD in accordance with local district policy. Scores will be reported directly to the school district and/or student or parents if the student is under age 18.

Whole Grade Acceleration: Grade 1 - Grade 5

A current LISD student in elementary school, who has not received instruction at the grade level tested, will be eligible to accelerate to the next grade level if the student scores at least 80% on each exam in the subject areas of language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. The student must also be recommended by a district representative. The parents/guardians must give written permission of the grade advancement.

Parents should complete and sign the Request for Grade/Subject Acceleration Google form by the appropriate request deadlines (see attached chart for deadlines and testing windows).

Credit by Exam for Academic Acceleration: Grade 6 - Grade 12

A student in grades 6-12 may be awarded credit based on performance on a CBE taken either with no prior instruction, or with prior instruction. Students may not attempt to earn credit by exam for the same high school subject more than two times. Parents should complete and sign the Request for Grade/Subject Acceleration Google form by the appropriate request deadlines (see attached chart for deadlines and testing windows).

No Prior Instruction

Students who have had no prior instruction must be awarded credit for the applicable course if the student receives one of the following scores:

- Three or higher on an AP exam
- A scaled score of 50 or higher on a CLEP exam.
- 80% or higher on any other locally approved exam

Additionally, if a student is given credit on the basis of an examination on which the student scored 80% or higher, LISD will enter the examination score on the student's transcript, and the student is not required to take an applicable end-of-course assessment instrument for the course.

Prior Instruction

Students who have prior instruction in a course may be awarded credit for the applicable course, subject to local district policy, if the student scores 70% or higher on a CBE approved by the local school board. Prior instruction is determined by the local school district.

Scheduling

School districts are required to provide at least one window for each quarter for students to test, unless the exam selected has a different administration window. Students may take a specific exam only once during each testing window. A school district is prohibited from charging a fee for credit by examination.

LISD Credit by Exam (CBE)/Grade Acceleration and Testing Dates for 2023-2024

Grades 1-5 testing dates will be scheduled by the campus within the posted testing window.

CBE/Acceleration Request and Registration Deadlines	Whole Grade Acceleration from Grade 1 - 5 Testing Windows	Grade 6 - 12 Testing Dates
June 10, 2023	July 17-28, 2023 (Testing for 2023-2024 Placement)	July 17-28, 2023 (Testing for 2023-2024 Placement)
October 27, 2023	December 4-15, 2023 (Testing for 2024-2025 Placement)	December 13, 2023 (Testing for 2024-2025 Placement)
December 17, 2023	January 17-28, 2023 (Testing for 2024-2025 Placement)	January 24, 2024 (Testing for 2024-2025 Placement)
March 11, 2024	April 11-22, 2024 (Testing for 2024-2025 Placement)	April 10, 2024 (Testing for 2024-2025 Placement)
June 9, 2024	July 15-26, 2024 (Testing for 2024-2025 Placement)	July 15-26, 2024 (Testing for 2024-2025 Placement)

*exceptions to this schedule may be made for newly enrolling students

To Request Grade/Subject Acceleration for your child, please complete this Google Form:

[LISD Request for Grade/Subject Acceleration](#)