

Registration Information for 2016–17

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What is the Texas Educator Certification Program?

Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §230.5(b) requires every person seeking educator certification in Texas to perform satisfactorily on comprehensive examinations. The purpose of the examinations is to ensure that each educator has the prerequisite content and professional knowledge necessary for an entry-level position in Texas public schools. The following programs were developed for this purpose.

- ▶ Texas Examinations of Educator Standards™ (TEExES™)
- ▶ Texas Examinations for Master Teachers™ (TExMaT™)
- ▶ Texas Assessment of Sign Communication™ (TASC™)
- ▶ Texas Assessment of Sign Communication—American Sign Language™ (TASC-ASL™)

Further information about these programs and the tests that are offered is available in each program's *Registration Bulletin* and on the ETS TEExES website at www.texas.ets.org. *Registration Bulletins* can be downloaded free of charge from the website.

How do I register for a test?

- ▶ The quickest and easiest way to register is through the ETS online registration system at www.texas.ets.org/registration.
- ▶ Information and details about the registration process are in the *Registration Bulletin* for the test you are planning to take.
- ▶ The 2016–17 testing schedule is on pages 3–4 of this flyer.
- ▶ See registration steps for your program in the appropriate *Registration Bulletin* and on the ETS TEExES website.

Do I take the test by computer or by paper?

Most tests are administered via computer (CAT testing) at specially equipped testing centers. Many are offered on a continuous basis; others are offered only during limited-administration windows. The tests administered by paper are the TEExES Braille test, seven TExMaT tests (except MTT) and the TASC and TASC-ASL tests. Test dates and registration deadlines are on pages 3–4 of this flyer. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

How much does it cost to take a test?

\$131	Test fee (per test)
\$131	Test fee (per test) for Core Subjects EC–6 (291) and Core Subjects 4–8 (211)
\$ 65	Test fee (per subject test) for test codes 801–809 (NOTE: You must take the overall Core Subjects test first; if you do not pass a subject test you can then retake just that test.)
\$ 40	Late registration fee (Paper-Based Testing [PBT])
\$ 80	Emergency registration fee (Paper-Based Testing [PBT])
\$ 55	International site fee

Can alternate testing arrangements be made if I need them?

- ▶ Monday PBT testing can be arranged if your religious convictions prevent you from testing on Saturday or if you are a member of the U.S. armed forces and have duties that prevent you from testing on Saturday.
- ▶ Testing accommodations can be arranged if you have a disability or health-related need that requires accommodations. The *Bulletin Supplement for Test Takers with Disabilities or Health-Related Needs* contains contact information, registration procedures and forms.
- ▶ Further information and the *Supplement* are available in the “Alternative Testing Arrangements” section of the ETS TExES website at **www.texas.ets.org**.

What should I know about ID requirements?

Valid and acceptable identification with your **name**, **signature** and **photograph** is required for admission to a test. ID requirements are strictly enforced. Further information and a list of acceptable ID documents are available in the *Registration Bulletins* and on the ETS TExES website at **www.texas.ets.org/registration**.

What security measures are taken at test centers?

You may be photographed and fingerprinted as confirmation of your identity. At some CAT testing centers, the use of electronic detection scanning devices (e.g., hand-held detectors/wands) has also been implemented. Failure to comply with these security measures will result in dismissal from the test and forfeiture of your test fees.

What if I need to reschedule my test?

Requests to change your test, test date, test center or test session can be made through the ETS online registration system at **www.texas.ets.org/registration**.

Where can I find test preparation materials?

A wide variety of free preparation materials is available on the ETS TExES website. You can download Preparation Manuals for TExES and TExMaT tests and view enhanced web pages for the TASC/TASC-ASL tests; you can also download other publications such as *Tests at a Glance*, *Reducing Test Anxiety* and *Study Tips: Preparing for the Texas Educator Certification Tests*. Videos and interactive demonstrations of computer-administered tests are also available to familiarize you with what happens on test day and to help you get ready for testing.

When will my scores be available?

See the testing schedule on pages 3–4 of this flyer.

How do I apply for certification?

Application for certification does not proceed automatically upon receipt of your scores by Texas Education Agency (TEA). To apply for certification, you must go to the TEA website at **www.tea.texas.gov** and follow the application for certification instructions.

Contact Customer Service

Phone: 1-800-205-2626 (Monday-Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Central time)

Fax: 1-973-735-0156 or 1-866-484-5860

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2016–17 Texas Educator Certification Program Testing Schedule

TEXES Braille and TexMAT PBT Testing

Test Date	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	Emergency Registration Deadline	Score Reporting Date
9/10/16	8/12/16	8/19/16	9/2/16	9/30/16
6/3/17	5/5/17	5/12/17	5/26/17	6/23/17

NOTE: Monday PBT testing is on the Monday following the regular PBT administration.

TEXES Continuous CAT Testing

Test Dates	Registration Period	Scores Available
Available in registration system	up to 2 days before the test date	within 7 days of the test date

TEXES Limited-Administration (Selected-Response Only) CAT Testing

Test Dates	Registration Period	Score Reporting Date
10/12/16 – 10/15/16	6/20/16 – 10/10/16	10/21/16
12/7/16 – 12/10/16	8/15/16 – 12/5/16	12/16/16
2/1/17 – 2/4/17	10/10/16 – 1/30/17	2/10/17
3/22/17 – 3/25/17	11/28/16 – 3/20/17	3/31/17
5/10/17 – 5/13/17	1/16/17 – 5/8/17	5/19/17
6/28/17 – 7/1/17	3/6/17 – 6/26/17	7/7/17
8/16/17 – 8/19/17	4/24/17 – 8/14/17	8/25/17

TEXES Limited-Administration (with Constructed Response) CAT Testing *English Language Arts and Reading (ELAR) 7-12 (231)*

Test Dates	Registration Period	Score Reporting Date
9/24/16 – 10/1/16	6/6/16 – 9/9/16	10/21/16
11/26/16 – 12/3/16	8/8/16 – 11/11/16	12/23/16
1/21/17 – 1/28/17	10/3/16 – 1/6/17	2/17/17
3/11/17 – 3/18/17	11/21/16 – 2/24/17	4/7/17
5/20/17 – 5/27/17	1/30/17 – 5/5/17	6/16/17
7/22/17 – 7/29/17	4/3/17 – 7/7/17	8/18/17

(Testing schedule continues on next page)

BTLPT Spanish and LOTE EC-12 (French, German, Latin and Spanish)

Test Dates	Registration Period	Score Reporting Date
9/24/16 – 10/1/16 (BTLPT and LOTE French and Spanish only)	6/6/16 – 9/9/16	10/21/16
11/26/16 – 12/3/16 (BTLPT and all LOTEs)	8/8/16 – 11/11/16	12/23/16
1/21/17 – 1/28/17 (BTLPT and LOTE French and Spanish only)	10/3/16 – 1/6/17	2/17/17
3/11/17 – 3/18/17 (BTLPT and all LOTEs)	11/21/16 – 2/24/17	4/7/17
5/20/17 – 5/27/17 (BTLPT and LOTE French and Spanish only)	1/30/17 – 5/5/17	6/16/17
7/22/17 – 7/29/17 (BTLPT and all LOTEs)	4/3/17 – 7/7/17	8/18/17

TEMaT Limited-Administration (with Constructed Response) CAT Testing

Master Technology Teacher (MTT)

Test Dates	Registration Period	Score Reporting Date
9/14/16 – 9/17/16	5/23/16 – 9/2/16	9/30/16
6/7/17 – 6/10/17	2/13/17 – 5/26/17	6/23/17

TASC and TASC-ASL Testing

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Score Reporting Date
11/19/16	10/21/16	12/9/16
4/22/17	3/24/17	5/12/17

NOTE: Monday testing is on the Monday following the regular administration.