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Testing Registration Process and PPR Retest Policy

TEXES PPR Registration Process Overview

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) provides a TEXES Registration and Policies guide annually on the Pearson website to assist you with the certification testing process, including registration information, exam preparation, testing locations, test results, and score reporting.

Before registering:

- Review a step-by-step guide for preparing to test, registering to test, and scheduling your exam
- Learn about the approval to test required by the State of Texas
- Find out what's new about the Pearson account-creation, registration, and scheduling system 🗠

Project P.a.C.E. PPR Testing Prerequisites

All initial teacher education candidates must meet the following prerequisite requirements prior to receiving PPR TEXES testing approval.

- 1. Benchmark test(s) is/are required prior to testing release.
- Completed at least 120 hours of training to include the 30 hours of Field-based Experiences and the Sheltered Instruction online coursework (20 hours located in the Canvas Document Repository links to outside source; the TEA Texas Gateway). NOTE: CTE candidates will have additional coursework requirements for the PPR T&I.
- 3. Upon release, please register to test within the next 30 days and send us confirmation of your registration and the date on which you are schedule to test.

Benchmark Scores Equal to or Greater Than an 80 Percent,

For Candidates with benchmark scores equal to or greater than an 80 percent, the PPR Texas testing approval will be available upon completion of ALL items listed above.

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Benchmark Scores Below 80

Candidates with PPR benchmark scores below 80 are required to <u>complete additional</u> <u>prerequisites</u> to help determine test readiness before TEXES PPR exam is approved for registration. Prerequisites include:

- 4. Attending a Saturday PPR test preparation/review.
- 5. Completing a web-based tutoring and test preparation program titled "Certify Teacher," within three weeks following the review session, and submitting documentation by uploading exam score reports, to Canvas, that this tutoring was successfully completed by providing scores of 80 or greater in all competencies on three separate practice examinations.
- 6. Attend Thursday evening seminars.
- 7. Complete an action plan with additional test preparation actives as prescribed.

TEXES Testing Policies

Per the <u>TEA Educator Certification Examination Retake Limit</u>, candidates are limited to five attempts on any one certification exam.

TEA Test Retake Policy

A test that was taken may be retaken after 45 days. Test takers are required to pay the test fee when registering to retake a test.

PaCE Retest Policy

If you are taking the TexES PPR exam for the 2nd time

Candidates seeking their 2nd attempt are required to:

- Candidate must upload exam score reports to Canvas and will be instructed to complete specific study activities. Study activities may include but are not limited to small group instruction and repeat coursework before test approval will be granted.
- Sign up and complete another set of web-based tutoring and test preparation program titled "Certify Teacher" and obtain documentation that this program was successfully completed by providing scores of 80 or greater on each competency for each additional examination.

Note: Before candidates can receive approval to retake the exam, Naomi Arnold, Certification Officer, must receive the documentation and verification of the additional test preparation.

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If you were admitted more than 2 years ago

 Project PaCE will issue approvals to retake exams for up to one year after the date a candidate completes the Educator Preparation Program.

• During that time, a candidate seeking test approval must upload exam score reports to Canvas and will be required to complete at least 6 hours of private tutoring, at their own expense, and repeat coursework before test approval will be granted.

Test Day Reminders

- Arrive 30 minutes prior to start time!
- Take your admission ticket.
- Take acceptable forms of ID as outlined in the current TEXES Registration Bulletin.
- ID documents must match with the name on the admission ticket and cannot be expired.
- Do not take your cell phone or any other form of electronics including wrist watches in the test center. You will not be permitted to enter the test site with it.
- Do not take food in the test center.
- It is the responsibility of the tester to know the rules of the test center before the day of the exam.
- Review the ETS TEXES Registration Bulletin for comprehensive information.