

TSI Assessment Information

Eligibility to participate in dual credit courses requires that you meet the admissions criteria of the college. Part of that eligibility includes the completion of the TSI Assessment. On this sheet you will find information pertaining to the TSI, required scores, and additional information to help you prepare to be successful on this test.

Why do I need to take the TSI Assessment?

All college students in Texas public colleges are required to take the TSI Assessment to determine their readiness for college-level coursework. Based on how a student performs on the TSI, he/she may be either allowed to enroll in a college course or placed in a developmental course to help improve his/her skills and the likelihood of success.

In some cases your SAT or STAAR scores may qualify you to be exempt from all or part of the TSI Assessment. See your counselor for details.

Register to take the TSI Assessment

Voucher Registration

1. Get a TSI voucher from your counselor.
2. With your voucher in hand, go to the department of College and Career Readiness on the NISD website.
3. Click on the "Sign Up to Take the TSI" link.
4. Complete the "First Time TSI Tester" Activity

Retest Registration

1. Go to the Department of College and Career Readiness on the NISD website and click on "Sign Up to Take the TSI" link.
2. Complete the "TSI Retesting" Activity

Pro Tip

Use your cellphone to take a picture of your voucher or receipt. You will need the picture in order to complete your registration.

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How much does the TSI cost?

NISD provides one free attempt at the TSI to NISD students. If this is your first time to take the TSI you should visit with your counselor to get a voucher for your free attempt. You will need the voucher in order to register.

If you have already taken the TSI Assessment and are not happy with your score you may take the test again. The cost to retest is \$10 per section.

When and where do I test?

The TSI Assessment is offered at the college you wish to attend. Visit their website and follow their procedures to sign up for testing.

OR

NISD students may also take the TSI Assessment in NISD at any of the testing sites below. The deadline to sign up for a testing session is the Friday one week before the test. (Example: Nov. 11 deadline is Nov. 3)

November 11, 2017 at Northwest High School

December 9, 2017 at Byron Nelson High School

February 24, 2018 at Steele Accelerated High School

March 3, 2018 Eaton High School

March 24, 2018 at Byron Nelson High School

April 7, 2018 at Eaton High School

April 21, 2018 at Northwest High School

May 12, 2018 at Byron Nelson High School

May 19, 2018 at Eaton High School

On test day show up on time, bring your voucher or payment receipt and a government issued ID or your NISD ID badge to the testing location. Check in with the test administrator.

Additional Frequently Asked Questions

How long does the TSI Assessment take?

The TSI Assessment is not a timed test. The average time to complete all 3 sections of the test is 3-5 hours. Although it is allowed, it is NOT recommend that you attempt all three sections in one sitting.

What happens if I do not finish the test?

You have 14 calendar days to complete the test. If you do not complete the test within that 14-day period, you will have to begin again with Question 1 on the section of the test where you stopped.

What do I need to bring with me to the test?

A government-issued photo identification or current campus ID badge.

Voucher from counseling or payment receipt

Can I bring a calculator to the test?

No. Calculators are not allowed.

No study materials, reference materials, or calculators may be used during the test.

Cell phones and all other communication devices are strictly prohibited in the testing room.

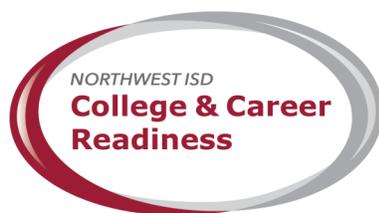
How do I interpret my scores?

Your counselor will be able to help you interpret your scores. To satisfy TSI and course prerequisite requirements, you must meet or exceed the following college-ready scores:

Subject Area	College-Ready Score
Mathematics	350
Reading	351
Writing	Placement score of at least 340 AND and essay score of at least 4 Or Placement score of less than 340 AND an essay score of at least 5

Can I study for the TSI Assessment?

NISD has provided access to official study guide options that are free of charge on the College and Career Readiness website: www.nisdtx.org/ccready



Please note that colleges have varying admissions policies. It is the responsibility of the student to work with their college admissions office to ensure that they meet the enrollment requirements of each college they plan to attend. If you have additional questions about the TSI Assessment or need further guidance please contact your school counselor or the admissions and advising office at the college you plan to attend.