

### Procedures for taking TExES Examinations

To become a certified teacher in Texas, all candidates must pass exams specific to their licensure area.

#### Early Childhood to Grade Six (EC-6) Certifications

The TExES CORE Subjects EC-6 exam includes five Subject Exams:

- x TExES #901 ELA & Science of Teaching Reading
- x TExES #902 Mathematics
- x TExES #903 Social Studies
- x TExES #904 Science
- x TExES #905 Fine Arts, Health, Physical Education

#### EC-6 Core Subjects

- x TExES #160 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-6
- x TExES #391 Core Subjects EG6
- x TExES #293 Science of Teaching Reading

#### EC-6 Core Subjects with Bilingual Education Supplemental:

- x TExES #160 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-6
- x TExES #391 Core Subjects EG6
- x TExES #293 Science of Teaching Reading
- x TExES #164 Bilingual Education Supplemental
- x TExES #190 Bilingual Target Language Proficiency Test (BTLPT)

#### EC-6 Core Subjects with English as a Second Language (ESL) Supplemental:

- x TExES #1608 with Supplemental (T) 0.91608 0 Td [(T)-0.91608 0 Td [(T)1816 (e)1.9 (n)1
- x TExES #160 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-6
- x TExES #391 Core Subjects EG6
- x TExES #293 Science of Teaching Reading
- x TExES #163 Special Education EC-6 Supplemental

#### Grades Seven to Twelve (7-12) Certifications

TExES 7-2 content test for your subject area & TExES #160 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-6.

- x TExES # 235 Mathematics
- x TExES # 238 Life Science
- x TExES # 31 English Language Arts and Reading
- x TExES # 235 Social Studies (MAT) or TExES # 232

#### All-Level Certifications

All-Level Spanish certification:

- x TExES #160 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-6
- x TExES #613 Languages Other Than English (LOTE) Spanish

All-Level Art certification:

- x TExES #160 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-12
- x TExES #178 Art EC-12

All-Level Physical Education certification:

- x TExES #160 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-12
- x TExES #58 Physical Education EC-12

All-Level Music certification:

- x TExES #160 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-12
- x TExES #177 Music EC-12

Student Services Certifications

TExES #51 Reading Specialist

TExES #52 School Counselor

Certification Exam Policy

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) allows teacher preparation programs to determine where a candidate in their respective program may qualify/has demonstrated readiness to take the TExES exam. The Our Lady of the Lake University Education Department has established the following guidelines and qualifications for teacher education candidates.

Baseline Data & Testing Qualifications

Once admitted into the Teacher Education Admission Cohort (TEACH) program, the candidate will be given access to study materials and practice TExES test(s):

- x Core EC6/Content test and specialization(s) to collect baseline data for the Education Department.
- x Bilingual Education certification candidates will receive access to study materials before admittance into Bilingual Education classes to assess their language aptitude/bilingual proficiency and provide support,

- x Teacher candidates who reside in San Antonio, Texas, must take their practice TExES exams on campus. If they reside outside the San Antonio area, the candidate must coordinate with the Certification Officer to arrange a date and time for them to complete a practice exam in a proctored environment.
- x Teacher candidates must be fully admitted into TEACH and meet the requirements above to be authorized to take any of the official certification exams.
- x Demonstrate content knowledge with a passing score on all practice content exams before Clinical Teaching

#### Study Material

- x Students will have access to study materials up to a year after graduation. Should a candidate wish to extend their membership past graduation or use another resource at OLLU, they will be responsible for purchasing these resources.

#### Testing Support Plan

- a. A candidate who does not pass the official TExES exam the first time with a score of 240 (80%) or higher will meet with the Certification Officer to create and sign a Testing Support Plan. The candidate is required to complete 100% of the study plan on Certify Teacher or 240 Tutoring and take the practice TExES exam again with a score of 260 or higher to be released to take the official TExES exam.
- b. If a candidate does not achieve a passing score on the official TExES certification exam, they must wait 30 days before attempting to take the test again.

readiness to be permitted to take the official TExES. Once student scores have demonstrated readiness, they will receive an email with registration instructions for the official TExES certification exam.

#### Registering for TExES Certification exams

- a. Effective September 1, 2018, Texas educator candidates will need to create a NEW Pearson testing account to register for TExES certification exams by logging into <http://www.tx.nesinc.com>, clicking on “My Account” on the upper right-hand corner of the page, selecting “Create an account now” and following the prompts.
- b. To register for a certification exam, go to <http://www.tx.nesinc.com>, select “Register,” and follow the instructions provided. You must have created a Pearson testing account and have your TEA (Texas Education Agency) ID number to register.
- c. The Pearson Testing website also contains various test preparation resources that are free of charge.
- d. Testing fees are due when registering for an official certification exam.
- e. Candidates have 170 days

Website: [Accessibility Services](#)

- b. Students should understand that TEA does not have to grant accommodations and OLLU