

# Step 4: Meet Testing Eligibility Requirements

## The Texas Success Initiative

The Texas Success Initiative (TSI) is mandated by Texas law to ensure that students enrolled in Texas public colleges possess the academic skills needed to perform effectively in college-level coursework. TSI includes a **testing component** designed to identify and provide diagnostic information about each student's reading, mathematics and writing skills of each student.

If a TSI assessment test identifies deficiencies (in reading, mathematics, or writing skills), state law requires that the student must participate in a developmental program in the area of deficiency when the student enrolls at a Texas college or university after high school graduation.

**Students must receive qualifying test scores on the TSI assessment or qualify for a TSI Exemption to be eligible for Dual Credit.** Students may take the TSI Test at their high school campus. Prior to taking the TSI test, **students must complete** the TSI Test Prep (PAA) as well as the GoFAARR provided by Alamo Colleges. (Students must print a copy of the ✓ screen as proof of completion.)

Testing dates will be provided by each campus. Students must do the following:

- **Sign-up in the Counseling Office**
- **Provide student ID# and Banner ID#**
- **Submit payment by the campus deadline prior to test day (\$20 for entire test; \$7 per section)**
- **Arrive on time on test day and bring NEISD Student ID**
- **A copy of the ✓ screen as proof of PAA and GoFAARR completion.**

Students testing at San Antonio College or any Alamo College for an upper level course or to re-test must:

- **Bring their Individual Score Report with them**
- **Have their NEISD Student ID or Photo ID and Banner ID#**
- **Pay \$32 for the entire test; \$12 per section at the test site**
- **Call in case they require appointments; ask what type of payment is accepted**
- **Notify their counselor that they will be testing at SAC or another Alamo College so Residency Holds can be removed by Alamo Colleges' liaison (Tamara Anderson) prior to testing**
- **A copy of the ✓ screen as proof of PAA and GoFAARR completion.**

***All required documentation must be received by the North East District published Academic Dual Credit deadline of March 8, 2017. Acceptance into the Dual Credit Program will be determined based on meeting the submission deadlines and the minimum eligibility requirements of the college.***

***Incomplete Dual Credit Checklists will not be considered for admission.***