

Fruitvale ISD

Credit by Exam Information

Credit by Exam- Student has taken the course/subject

The principal or designee or the attendance committee, as applicable, shall have authority to offer a student the opportunity to demonstrate mastery in a subject or to earn course credit by examination when the student has had prior instruction in a subject and when:

1. The student is enrolling in the District from a non-accredited school [see FD];
2. The student has failed a subject or course; or
3. The student has earned a passing grade in a subject or course but has failed to earn credit because of excessive absences [see FEC].

Examinations shall assess the student's mastery of the essential knowledge and skills and shall be administered according to established District procedures.

Prior to offering a student an opportunity to demonstrate mastery or earn credit by this method, an appropriate District employee shall review the student's educational records to determine whether the student has had prior instruction in the subject or course.

Fruitvale ISD Policy EHDB (Local)

Credit by Exam- Student has NOT taken the course/subject (Grades 1-12)

If a student in grades 1–12 wishes to accelerate to the next grade level or earn course credit without having received prior instruction in the grade level or course, the District shall offer opportunities in accordance with state law and State Board rules for the student to take a Board-approved examination for this purpose.

Fruitvale ISD Policy EHDC (Local)

Approved exams:

1. College Board advanced placement examinations
2. College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) examinations
3. Exams developed by Texas Tech University
4. Exams developed by University of Texas at Austin

Grades K-5:

The District has elected to offer exams developed by Texas Tech University or the University of Texas at Austin. In addition to adopting these exams, the District also accepts their audit processes.

Kindergarten Acceleration

In accordance with State Board rules, the Board shall approve procedures developed by the Superintendent or designee to allow a child who is five years old at the beginning of the school year to be assigned initially to grade 1 rather than kindergarten. Criteria for acceleration may include:

1. Scores on readiness tests or achievement tests that may be administered by appropriate District personnel.
2. Recommendation of the kindergarten or preschool the student has attended.
3. Chronological age and observed social and emotional development of the student.
4. Other criteria deemed appropriate by the principal and Superintendent.

Fruitvale ISD Policy EHDC (Local)