

## Testing

### Test and Exemptions

#### TAKS

Reading/Mathematics – Grades 3/4/5/6/7/8/9/10/11

Writing – Grades 4/7/11

Social Studies and Science – Grades 8/10/11

Science – Grades 5/10/11

Exit Level – Grade 11

### Accelerated Placement Tests

August 27-28-29 2003

June 1-2-3 2004

#### Six -Weeks Test

All Students will take six-week tests.

#### Semester Test Exemptions (Grades 9-12 ONLY)

- *Students are exempt under the following conditions:*
- *Grade of 95 and 3 absences*
- *Grade of 90 and two absences*
- *Grade of 85 and one absence*
- *Grade of 80 and no absences*
- Regardless of absences, if a student is failing at the end of the six-week grading period, they are required to take the test.
- **All absences, regardless of the reason will count against the exemption except when school related. An absence is considered school related when the student or students are accompanied by a school employee on school business.**

No disciplinary referral that results in In-school Suspension, Alternative Educational Placement, and/or suspension from school. The principal will determine the level of discipline placed on each student. Any level 2 or 3 violation according to PEIMS will result in the loss of exemption privileges.

#### *Additional clarifiers:*

1. A doctor's note **must** be presented upon return to school to keep exemption policy in effect.
2. Tardies and absences for exemption purposes will be counted beginning the first instructional day of each semester.
3. Each teacher will determine the eligibility of each student in his or her class.
4. Each class period will stand-alone as far as exemptions.
5. Each semester, each teacher will determine if exempted students will be given the opportunity to take the exam, and if they will be allowed to drop the grade if the student doesn't do well on the exam. Teachers must inform the students in advance of their position in regards to the test.
6. If no exam is given, the method that each teacher uses to determine the student's regular average will be used to determine the student's final average for that semester.
7. For exemption purposes each semester period will start over with a new beginning.
8. Students are not required to attend the classes, on test days, in which they are exempt.
9. If a student wishes to improve their grade, they have the option of taking the exam.
10. The principal will determine extenuating circumstances.