

# Top 10



## Questions Asked by Texas Educator Certification Program Candidates

- 1 How do I know which test to take?**  
*Consult with your Educator Preparation Program to determine which test to take. If you are seeking teacher certification in Texas based on an out-of-state, out-of-country, or temporary teacher certificate, contact the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for information about taking tests for these purposes, or visit the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) website at [www.sbec.state.tx.us](http://www.sbec.state.tx.us).*
- 2 Do I need authorization to test from my Educator Preparation Program?**  
*Yes, you must obtain approval to test from your Educator Preparation Program.*
- 3 Once I have received approval to test, what do I do?**  
*Go to SBEC Online for Educators on the SBEC website at [www.sbec.state.tx.us](http://www.sbec.state.tx.us) and create an account. If you already have an account, review and confirm your information. You will be assigned a TEA ID number that will be used for identification throughout the certification and test registration process. Once you have your TEA ID number, you can register to test.*
- 4 How and when do I register to test?**  
*Information about registration options and creating an account on the ETS TExES™ online registration system can be found on the ETS TExES website at [www.texas.ets.org/register](http://www.texas.ets.org/register) and in the Registration Bulletin for each program. Test dates and registration deadlines can be found on the ETS TExES website at [www.texas.ets.org/testdates](http://www.texas.ets.org/testdates) and in the Registration Bulletin for each program.*
- 5 Where can I access the Registration Bulletins online?**  
*Download the latest edition at [www.texas.ets.org/registrationBulletin](http://www.texas.ets.org/registrationBulletin).*
- 6 How can I change my test, test center, test date or test session?**  
*Requests to change your test, test date, test center or test session can be done online or by completing and submitting a Change Request Form. A Change Request Form can be downloaded from the Download Library in each program's section of the ETS TExES website at [www.texas.ets.org](http://www.texas.ets.org).*
- 7 Where can I find information to help me prepare for my test?**  
*Free test preparation materials are available in the Preparation Materials section of the ETS TExES website at [www.texas.ets.org/prepMaterials](http://www.texas.ets.org/prepMaterials).*
- 8 How soon after my test will my scores be available and where can I get help understanding my scores?**  
*Official score reports are mailed on the score report mailing dates listed in the Registration Bulletin and on the ETS TExES website at [www.texas.ets.org/testdates](http://www.texas.ets.org/testdates). Score reports generally take two to ten business days to be delivered. Unofficial scores are available on the website by 5 p.m. CT on the score reporting date. Information about understanding your score report is included with your scores.*
- 9 Who should I contact if I have a question or a problem?**  
*Contact information for all Texas Educator Certification Programs can be found on the ETS TExES website at [www.texas.ets.org/contact](http://www.texas.ets.org/contact) or in the Registration Bulletin for each program.*
- 10 How do I apply for certification after I receive my test scores?**  
*Application for certification does not proceed automatically when your score report is received by the TEA. To apply for certification, you must go to the SBEC website at [www.sbec.state.tx.us](http://www.sbec.state.tx.us) and follow the application for certification instructions.*

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