

# PACT Transition

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Pre-Admission Content Test (PACT) candidates will take a new series of content certification exams beginning 1/27/2020.

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- A passing score on PACT is required for admission if an educator preparation program (EPP) applicant does not meet the GPA and/or content hour requirement.
- PACT applicants enrolling in an EPP between now and 1/26/2020 should review the [exam information](#) and preparation materials for the TExES exams.
- PACT applicants enrolling in an EPP beginning 1/27/2020 must complete a passing score on the appropriate new content certification examination (TX PACT). TExES exams will no longer be used for PACT purposes beginning 1/27/2020.
- Registration and appointment scheduling for these new TX PACT exams will open 1/21/2020 with Pearson.
- The Pearson system will not prevent current PACT candidates from scheduling a TExES exam appointment after 1/26/2020. Consequently, any current PACT TExES exam appointments scheduled after 1/26/2020 will be canceled. Notifications will be sent to the email on file.
- Preparation materials are available on the [Pearson website](#).
- A passed TExES content-pedagogy exam can still be used for certification as long as it is still a valid exam at the time all certification requirements are met including applying and recommending. The [Required Texas Certification Tests \(including deadlines to apply for certification\)](#) chart lists the current required exams and their end dates. We will continue to update.
- TX PACT content certification exams are not used for certification, and are not subject to the five-time limit.
- TX PACT content certification exam scores are valid for EPP enrollment purposes for one calendar year.
- Exam fees for most TX PACT areas will be \$106, and \$56 for exams with subtests (e.g. American Sign Language and Essential Academic Skills, etc.) The Texas.gov fee will continue to be assessed.
- All testing candidates will need a TEA ID number before registering with Pearson. The [Educator Certification Online System \(ECOS\)](#) for Educators that is accessed through [TEAL](#) will provide a TEA ID. For help with TEAL account access, please enter a request to TEAL Access through the [TEA Help Desk](#).
- If you have questions, please contact your assigned program specialist, submit a ticket through the [TEA Help Desk](#), or visit the [Pearson Texas program website](#), [www.tx.nesinc.com](http://www.tx.nesinc.com), and click “Contact us.” Pearson Customer Contact Center Representatives are available at 1-800-877-4599 7:00 AM–7:00 PM Central Time Monday through Friday, and 8:00 AM–4:00 PM Central Time Saturdays, excluding holidays. The Automated Information System is available 24 hours daily.