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# **TX Test Preparation Guide**

## Prepare for Success!

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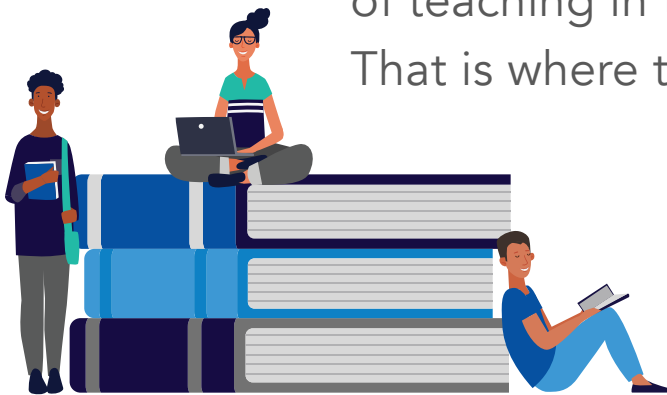
# Test with Ease

We know testing can be stressful. Let us help you pass your teaching certification test and get fully certified.

You can ace your test in three simple steps.



Remember, these tests are built for the classroom in a perfect world and will not always reflect the realities of teaching in the modern classroom. That is where test preparation can help!



# Step 1: Prepare

You are ready to become a teacher and decided that iteach is the right partner for you. Where do you start?

## Content Area Identification:

- Your content area is identified based on your college coursework. Even if you feel like a pro in your content area, it is still key to prepare as much as possible before your content exam.
- If you want to teach outside of your college coursework content area, no problem! Just expect additional preparation will be necessary.

## Test Preparation Resources

- If you are under a \$99 monthly plan, iteach will auto-enroll you into a third-party test preparation program so you have all the resources you need at your fingertips!
- There are many ways to prepare! Find the one that works best for you. Check out other recommended resources to help you study and take practice tests:
  - Pearson ([www.tx.nesinc.com](http://www.tx.nesinc.com))
  - Passage Preparation (<https://passagepreparation.com/#start>)
  - [CertifyTeacher.com](http://CertifyTeacher.com)
  - [Study.com](http://Study.com)
  - [ExamEdge.com](http://ExamEdge.com)
- We recommend preparing for your test at least two to three weeks before sitting for your exam.

## Accommodations for Medical and Learning Disabilities

- If you need more test time or other accommodations, there may be some options for you. Before you register for your test, go [here](#) to request accommodations.

## Set up an account with Texas Education Agency

- Setting up an account only takes 10-20 minutes.
- How to set up TEA account?
  - Go to [tea.texas.gov](http://tea.texas.gov) and click on ECOS for Educators at the top of the main page.
  - The site will walk you through the process of setting up your account.



## Step 2: Request

**You have prepared and feel ready to pass your exam!  
That means it is time to ask for test approval**

iteach determines the readiness of each candidate to take the appropriate certification test. Test approval is not guaranteed and is based solely on program discretion and the candidate's demonstration of subject matter knowledge.

### How to ask for test approval?

- You must be enrolled in the iteach program before requesting test approval.
- If your content area of interest was identified for program admission, go ahead and submit a test request for your content area by visiting your homepage in Instuctnet and clicking on Test Info/Request Test Approval.
- You are not required to test in your identification area of enrollment. You can be approved for a content test outside of that area by completing outside test preparation.
- Email [testing@iteach.net](mailto:testing@iteach.net) with proof of passing scores from your test preparation provider for approval.
- Always expect 2-3 days before test approval is confirmed. You will receive an email confirming your approval and the email will provide registration instructions.

\*All certification tests will be offered by Pearson

### Additional Testing

We know not passing on your first attempt is a bummer, but we are here to help.

- If you were unsuccessful on your first attempt, email [testing@iteach.net](mailto:testing@iteach.net) to request a second attempt.
- Before providing guidance and the proper resources to help you be successful in your second attempt, our team will analyze your test results to determine if another attempt will be approved.



## Step 3: Take

**Your request to take your test has been approved! You have registered for your exam and now the big day is here. Do not stress. You have prepared for this and you are ready to pass and get hired!**

### Register

- Follow [this link](#) to register for your exam.
- Expect your test day to be 3-4 days out.
- Remember, passing your content test is one of your pre-hire requirements to gain access to your Statement of Eligibility.

### Calm Your Test Anxiety

Testing can be overwhelming, and anxiety before a big test is completely normal. Some ways to calm your test anxiety include:

- Prepare, prepare, prepare — preparation can help calm anxiety by helping you know what to expect on the test.
- Clear your mind before the test.
  - Practice breathing techniques
  - Write down how you are feeling
  - Move your body — go for a walk, run or dance it out
  - Talk to someone close to you

### You have taken your test! What is next?

Keep an eye on your Instructnet homepage. We will obtain your results and update your Instructnet homepage within 2-3 business days.

# Congrats!

You are one step closer to finishing the pre-hire checklist!

Remember that depending on the content area, you may have multiple tests. Contact [testing@iteach.net](mailto:testing@iteach.net) if you need support determining additional tests to take.

**We are thankful you chose iteach to get your teacher certification. Get ready to thrive in the classroom and make an impact every day!**