

# 2020-2021 CBE/CBA FAQs

## 1. Are there specific times of the year dedicated to acceleration testing?

- a. Yes, per TEA there are 4 testing windows that LISD will offer acceleration testing. Please refer to the chart below.
- b.

Testing Window	Student/Parent must request testing by	Counselor must order test by	Student must be tested by	Counselor must return test(s) to G&C by
November 20, 2020- December 4, 2020 *testing will be through UTHS using Proctorio *High School ONLY	November 3, 2020 *Fall CBA Skyward Registration forms open Oct. 21, 2020	November 5, 2020	December 4, 2020	December 4, 2020
April 12, 2021- April 16, 2021 *testing window may begin sooner if tests have arrived	March 24, 2021 *Spring CBA Skyward Registration forms open Feb. 16, 2021	March 26, 2021	April 16, 2021	April 16, 2021
Summer testing June 2021	June 2, 2021 *Spring CBA Skyward Registration forms open May 10, 2021	June 4, 2021	June 21 - 25, 2021	N/A
November 5, 2021- December 3, 2021 *testing window may begin sooner if tests have arrived *High School ONLY	October 20, 2021	October 22, 2021	December 3, 2021	December 3, 2021

2. **What if a student needs to test for recovery?**
  - a. Use our local tests.
    - i. **Elementary** CBE instructions are available [here](#)
    - ii. **Secondary** CBEs for recovery are available through CANVAS
3. **Do we have to test for recovery in the testing windows?**
  - a. No, you may test at any time using our local tests.
4. **Does the discontinuation of using local tests and the 4 testing windows affect LOTE? (MS and HS)**
  - a. No, we will continue to use AVANT for LOTE and set up testing as needed. You do not need to test for LOTE within the testing windows.
5. **How is placement testing impacted by the new process? (ES ONLY FOUND [here](#))**
  - a. We will continue to use local exams to test for *placement* as the scores are **NOT** put into grade history. The scores are used as a piece of information in the discernment process for the most appropriate elementary grade to place a student in.
  - b. **ES** counselors, Do **NOT** send placement tests to the curriculum administrators to be scored.
  - c. Test for Math and ELAR **first** when testing for placement.
  - d. For **ES** ELAR test for placement, administer all pieces but NOT the writing portion.
  - e. There is **NOT** a grade threshold for placement testing. It is meant to be a guide.
  - f. Follow FD local with principal for guidance on placement - [FD Local](#)
6. **What if a student enrolls from non accredited/homeschool and we need to test for verification of credit? (MS and HS only)**
  - a. Use our local exams and test them upon enrollment.
7. **Does the use of University of Texas tests impact Kindergarten acceleration?**
  - a. No. As is the current practice, students requesting to accelerate through Kindergarten would need to contact the Early Childhood Education department. [LISD Kindergarten Information](#)
8. **How do the new CBE tests affect middle school math placement testing?**
  - a. We will use our local tests for this.

**9. How does this affect Senior and Credit Recovery testing in May?**

- a. We will use our local tests for this.

**10. Will students have to pay for placement testing?**

- a. No.

**11. Will students have to pay for recovery testing?**

- a. Yes, \$40 per test

**12. Will any communication be given to parents about new process and testing windows?**

- a. This will be done from the campus. It can be displayed on your webpage and referenced when parents inquire about testing. [LISD Credit by Exam and Credit by Acceleration](#)

**13. Will testing coordinators be ordering, administering tests?**

- a. No

**14. How will parents/students find out scores on acceleration tests?**

- a. Any University of Texas exams will be graded by the university and the scores returned to LISD. From there, score reports will be generated in Skyward by the campus and parents can access in Family Access.
- b. For verification of credit, send to secondary curriculum supervisor and wait for score.

**15. What is the process for CBA score reporting in grade history or transcript?**

- a. [How to Enter Scores in Grade History](#)

**16. If we have multiple students testing, would we set them up in a testing room on one day or do we have to test them individually?**

- a. You can do group testing with multiple grade levels and subjects tested. Be mindful of any student served by 504 and accommodations they may have