



## Board Agenda

**Item:** VI. A. 3 Approve Credit by Exam (CBE) Assessments

**Related goal(s):** Optimize Academic Achievement for Each Student

**Currently budgeted?** Yes  No  **Budgetary impact**

**Action**  **Report**

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Recent legislation, including HB 2694/SB 1365, made extensive revisions to credit by examination without prior instruction. A new requirement is the board must approve district developed or purchased examinations for acceleration that thoroughly test the essential knowledge and skills for each primary school grade level and for credit for secondary school academic subjects.

The passing standard on the exams is now 80 rather than 90 percent, and a student is not required to take an end-of-course assessment in a subject if the student is awarded credit by exam. Exam dates are four times each calendar year. New limitations prohibit a student from attempting credit by exam more than twice in the same subject.

The following examinations are brought forward for your approval.

- Credit by Exam (CBE) developed by Texas Tech University
- Credit by Exam (CBE) developed by The University of Texas at Austin
- College Board Advanced Placement Exams (AP)
- College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)
- Locally developed Spanish assessment for native Spanish speakers