Credit by Examination

What is Credit by Examination (CBE) without or with Prior Instruction?

Credit by Examination (CBE) **with no prior instruction** is a means by which high-achieving middle and high school students with above average grades and test scores may be awarded course credit(s) for a particular course by taking and passing required test(s).

Credit by Examination (CBE) **with prior instruction** is a means by which students who have failed a course(s), been referred by the attendance committee, or with other special circumstances may be awarded credit(s) for a particular course by taking and passing required test(s).

Who may apply?

Students in Grades 6-12 may apply for examinations with counselor, principal, and parent approval. Students must apply through the school counselor. Applications must be submitted to the district’s Assessment Department. Applications should be uploaded when ordering exams online by specified deadlines by going to: [http://assessment.dallasisd.org/](http://assessment.dallasisd.org/).

What is the cost? And Limits on Taking Examinations?

There is no cost to Dallas ISD students when testing within the testing designated testing windows. A student cannot attempt to receive credit in a particular subject more than two times.

What percent mastery must students attain to receive credit?

To receive course credit, middle school students and high school students **with no prior instruction** students must receive 80% mastery.

To receive course credit, middle school students and high school students **with prior instruction** must receive at least 70% mastery.