

TSI, Summer Bridge, and Expectations

Come on in and grab a seat.

TSI

Assessment for College Readiness

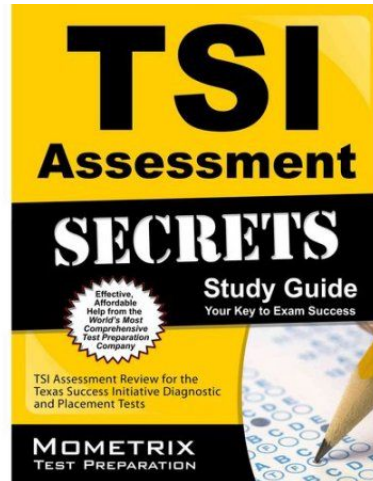
The image features the text 'TSI' in a large, red, serif font at the top center. Below it, the phrase 'Assessment for College Readiness' is written in a black, sans-serif font. The word 'Assessment' is enclosed in a red rectangular box. The word 'Readiness' is underlined with a red line. Three red, hand-drawn style arrows are present: one on the left that curves from the top left towards the 'Assessment' box, one on the right that curves from the 'TSI' text down towards the 'Readiness' underline, and a third that curves from the top left towards the 'Assessment' box.

What is the TSI?

TSI = **T**exas **S**uccess **I**nitiative.

Computer-adaptive test = Difficulty changes depending on student achievement.

Students must pass the TSI in order to enroll in college courses through ACC.



TSI Requirements

Students must pass the reading and writing portion of the TSI their Freshman year.

(They will take the Math portion of the TSI their Junior year)

Reading Passing Score:

351+

Writing Passing Score:

5+ on the essay

-or-

4 on the essay and **340+** on the multiple choice

Timeline for TSI

Summer 2020

Students take the TSI at the summer bridge.



TSI Passers

Fall 2020

Students who are TSI complete will be enrolled in EDUC 1300.



TSI Non-Passers

Fall 2020

Students enrolled in the “College Transition” class. Students will learn college readiness skills and continue to take their TSI until they pass.

Students enrolled in the College Transition class, will remain in the class for the entire semester!

What is the College Transition?

TSI Prep/College Transition is a course geared towards preparing students to the demands of dual credit/ college life. In this class we work on TSI test taking skills but also on building skills that will benefit students at ACC and beyond such as...

- Textual analysis
- Grammar
- Academic questioning
- Research skills
- Vocabulary expansion
- MLA formatting



When Can My Student Take the TSI?

Students will be given many opportunities to take the TSI test..

- During the *mandatory* Summer Bridge
- During TSI prep class on appointed dates
- After school with Professor Pinget on announced dates.
- Anytime, at any ACC campus for \$25 (at parent cost)



Summer Bridge

The Jump Start to Early College



What is Summer Bridge?

Summer Bridge is an introduction into Early College High School.

During Summer Bridge, students learn:

- Early College Culture & Expectations
- Strategies for TSI Reading and Writing
- Enrollment for Austin Community College (For TSI passers)

Summer Bridge is mandatory for all incoming freshman. Students who do not attend will lose their spot in the ECHS program.

When is Summer Bridge?

Summer Bridge is Tuesday, May 26th - Saturday, May 30th (9:00am - 1:30pm)

Schedule of Events

Day 1 (May 26th) - ECHS Culture & Expectations

Day 2 (May 27th) - TSI Writing Strategies

Day 3 (May 28th) - TSI Reading Strategies

Day 4 (May 29th) - TSI Testing

Day 5 (May 30th) - TSI Testing / ACC Enrollment

How can I prepare for TSI before May 29th?

1. TSI Reading is a harder test (than writing) so prepare for it more:

<http://sites.austincc.edu/tsiprep/reading-review/>

2. TSI helpful resources: <https://www.mometrix.com/academy/tsi-test/>

3. TSI Study guides for Reading, Writing, and Math:

<https://www.mometrix.com/academy/tsi-study-guide/>

4. TSI Practice Tests: <https://www.mometrix.com/academy/tsi-practice-test/>

5. ACC TSI prep materials <http://sites.austincc.edu/tsiprep/>

6. Understanding TSI Scores and what you need to work on:

<https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/student/practice>

Location and Transportation?



Summer Bridge is held at Manor High School
(G-Wing/ECHS Building)



Buses will pick-up and drop-off students at their local HUB.
(See MISD/ECHS website for details about your HUB location)

Students will begin each day in the cafeteria (9:00am) before moving to their assigned classroom.



Expectations

Rising to the college-level



How is Early College Different?

Students are essentially skipping the first two years of high school, so they are expected to behave accordingly:

- Students are expected to come with an attitude of learning.
- Early College students are expected to participate fully in discussions, look for opportunities to grow, and advocate for themselves.
- We are a community of learners who respect and support each other.

How is Early College Different?

Early college students are held to more rigorous behavioral and academic standards:

- Zero tolerance policy for behavior infractions
 - 1st Offence = Meeting with Dr. Sadikova
 - 2nd Offence = Sent home
- Late Work Policy
 - 1 Day Late = -15 points
 - 2 Days Late = -30 points
 - 3 Days Late = 0 Credit (Assignment will not be accepted)



Summer Bridge

How is Early College Different?

Our 9th and 10th grade core classes are designed to be difficult!

- Higher level texts
- Requires deeper critical thinking skills
- Heavy workload - Longer reading and writing passages
- Required home work

Classwork is designed to build student stamina and skill for the rigor of college coursework.

Diligent - Organized - Challenging

Academic Expectations



How We Support Students

Students are supported academically throughout the year through the following supports:

- Mandatory Academic Tutorials (MAT) with Teacher and Sadikova.
- MECHS planners (organization)
- School-Issued technology (allows access to all classwork)
- Frequent parent contact

Required Summer Work

To prepare for the upcoming year all incoming MECHS freshman will have required summer work for the following areas of study:

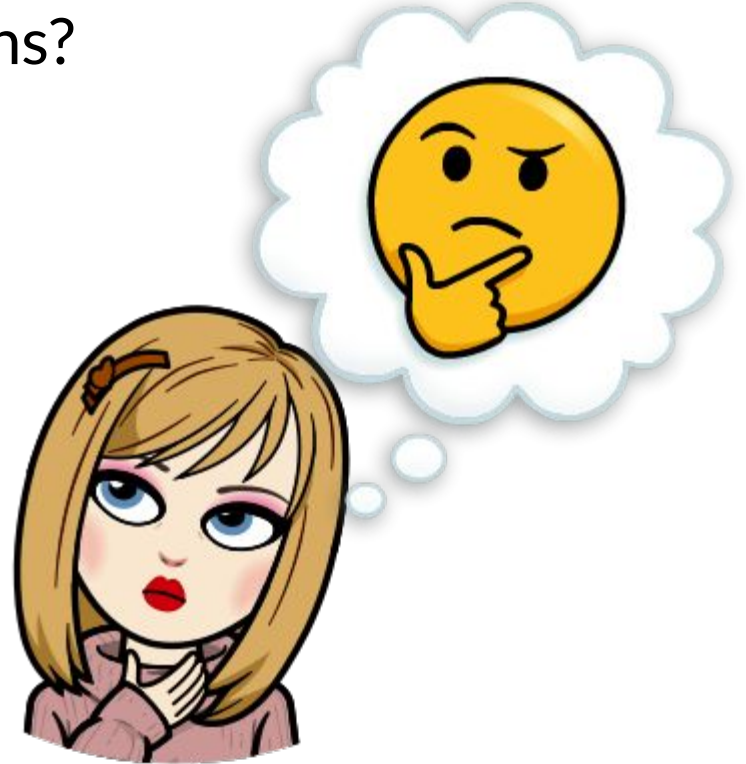
- English
- Social Studies
- Math

Students will receive their assignments during the mandatory Summer Bridge.

All summer work will be due the first week of school (August 2020)

Questions?

Any questions about TSI, Summer Bridge, or Academic Expectations?



Drop us a Line!

If you ever have questions please don't hesitate to contact Ms. Kanzler, Ms. Pinget, or Dr. Sadikova.

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