

Houston County Board of Education

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Exam exemptions for grades 9-12 will be per course for:

1. Students who had perfect attendance (no absences and no unexcused tardies), a 70 average or better each grading period, and an 80 average or better for the entire semester will be exempt from semester exams on a per-course basis if they desire.
2. Students having a 90 average or above and no more than three (3) absences will be exempt from semester exams on a per-course basis if they desire.
3. Students who have received in-school or out-of-school suspension, been placed in the alternative schools, or received more than thirty (30) discipline points will lose exam exemption status for all courses.
4. The weight of semester/End of Course exams will follow the current minimum percentages established and set forth by the Tennessee Department of Education and State Board of Education.¹
5. All students in grades 9-12 will have nine (9) weeks tests.
6. For exemption purposes, absence is defined as the student missing any portion of the class period for any reason other than to participate in a school-sponsored activity.
7. Students will not be exempt from a course's exams if they have failed any grading period in that course during the semester.

Legal References:

1.TRR/MS 0520-01-03-.06(1)(c)(2)

Cross References:

Grading System 4.600
Testing Programs 4.700