

THEA

<http://www.thea.nesinc.com/index.asp>

Complete the following steps to register for the THEA IBT.

1. Contact the institution to determine if you are able to take the THEA IBT at the institution.
Refer to "Test Sites."
2. Set up your THEA IBT account.
Refer to http://thea.starttest.com .
3. When you register for the THEA IBT, you will be asked to provide the following information:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name• Address• Daytime telephone number• Last four digits of your social security number• Student ID number (provided by your institution)• Date of birth• E-mail address (NOTE: The e-mail address [and password] used when setting up your account will also be used to access your test.)
Note: To correct your name, social security number, or date of birth, see "How do I update my personal or contact information?" in the "THEA Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQs) for THEA Internet-Based Test on this Web site.
4. Request alternative testing arrangements, if applicable.
You may download the Alternative Testing Arrangements Request Form for THEA IBT from the "Alternative Testing Arrangements" page or the "IBT Forms (PDF)" page.
5. Review the background questions.
When you register for the THEA IBT, you will be asked to answer some background questions. Refer to "Background Questions" to prepare answers to the questions you will be asked during registration.
6. Review the Rules of Test Participation.
Before you register, you must read and agree to abide by the policies stated in "Compliance with Testing Rules," including the Rules of Test Participation, and all procedures contained on the current THEA program Web site.
7. Contact the institution to set up an appointment to test.
If alternative testing arrangements have been approved for you, you must notify the test center when you schedule your test appointment.

Cancellation and Rescheduling

You must contact the test center to cancel or reschedule a test appointment.

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Test Sites

- El Paso Community College – Administrative Service Center – Testing Services
- El Paso Community College – Fort Bliss Testing Center
- El Paso Community College – Mission del Paso Campus
- El Paso Community College – Northwest Campus
- El Paso Community College – Rio Grande Campus
- El Paso Community College – Transmountain Campus
- El Paso Community College – Valle Verde Campus
- University of Texas – El Paso

The Test Session

The THEA IBT consists of three sections: Reading, Mathematics, and Writing. You may take one, two, or three sections of the test at the test session. The test session for the THEA IBT is four hours in length.

Individual test sections are not timed within the test session. You may use the time available to work on any of the three test sections. You may spend as much time as you want on each test section and may work on the sections in any order you choose until the test session ends.

Calculators

Examinees will have access to an on-screen calculator during the Mathematics Section of the test.

Your Score Report

For consistency, test scores are reported using the same scale, in a range from 100 to 300. The minimum score needed to pass the Reading and Mathematics sections is 230. For the Writing Section, the minimum passing score is 220.