

**Pearland High School**  
**2025-2026 SEMESTER EXAMINATION EXEMPTION**

**General Exemption Criteria**

All students must comply with the following general exemption criteria in the table below:

<b>Grade Level</b>	<b>Fall Semester</b> *Excluding STAAR Exam Classes *See AP course exemptions below	<b>Spring Semester</b> *Including STAAR Exam Classes *See AP course exemptions below
12 <sup>th</sup> grade	4	All
11 <sup>th</sup> grade	2	3
10 <sup>th</sup> grade	2	3
9 <sup>th</sup> grade	0	2

1. The number of exemptions depends on grade level. See chart above.
2. Student has 4 absences or less (unexcused or excused)  
Note: School Board Approved Activity that is coded as PRESENT Is not considered an absence
3. No assigned ISS, out-of- school suspension, or ALA during the semester.
4. Must not have any outstanding discipline to be served.
5. Must be clear of all fines and fees.
6. Students must meet grading requirements listed below.

**FALL SEMESTER:**

**Regular and PAP (including SAT PREP) classes may exempt an exam if:**

1. Students meet the above general exemption criteria.
2. A student's semester grade average is 80 or above.

***\*Students may NOT be exempted from a STAAR tested class this semester.***

**AP classes may exempt an exam if option 1 or option 2:**

**Option 1:**

1. Students meet the above general exam criteria.
2. A student's semester grade average is 90 or above.

**Option 2:**

1. Students meet the above general exam criteria.
2. Student is in a one semester AP course (example: AP Micro/Macro Economics)
3. Students must pre-register and pay (prior to the end of the fall term) and agree to take the corresponding AP exam in May.
4. A student's semester average is 70 or above.

***\*Students in a one-semester course in the fall, who use their AP exemption and choose not to take the AP test in May, will be subject to taking a make-up semester exam in the Spring. Refunds will not be given for students who register and do not take the AP tests.***

**Bonus exemption will be given for students who have perfect attendance at 3<sup>rd</sup> period**

**SPRING SEMESTER:**

**Regular and PAP (including SAT PREP) classes may exempt an exam if:**

1. Students meet the above general exemption criteria.
2. A student's semester grade average is 80 or above.

***\*Students MAY be exempt from a STAAR tested class this semester.***

**AP classes may exempt an exam with option 1 or option 2:**

**Option 1:**

1. Students meet the above general exemption criteria.
2. A student's semester grade average is 90 or above.

**Option 2:**

1. Students meet the above general exemption criteria.
2. A student's semester grade average is 70 or above.
3. Students take the corresponding AP exam.

**Bonus exemption will be given for students who have perfect attendance at 3<sup>rd</sup> period**

***Prior to semester exams, the exemption policy will be reviewed with all students and may be updated/revised.***

***Students must complete the process for choosing their exemptions through the district Exemption Portal, as designated by the campus, within the timelines given, or take all exams.***