

TSI Accommodations Testing Policy



Overview

Purpose

To ensure equitable access to the Texas Success Initiative Assessment (TSIA2) for students with documented disabilities, in compliance with ADA and FERPA regulations. If accommodations are needed, you must meet with the Special Populations Office of our IHE Partner, Lamar Institute of Technology.

Accommodations Process

Initiate Contact

- Students may initiate contact via email, SpecialPopulations@lit.edu, or in person on the LIT campus.
- Due to FERPA regulations, it is preferred that the student initiates the request. Parents may provide support but should not act on behalf of the student.

Meet with the Special Populations Office at Lamar Institute of Technology

After initial contact, the LIT Special Populations Office will schedule a meeting with the student to discuss accommodations. This meeting may occur in person, via phone, or via Zoom.

ADA Accommodations Memo

- Upon review of documentation, students will be issued an ADA Accommodations Memo specific to TSI testing.
- This memo must be submitted to the Silsbee High School TSI testing administrator at least 2 business days prior to the scheduled test date to ensure accommodations are in place.

Student Responsibilities

<i>Process Initiation</i>	It is the sole responsibility of the student to initiate the process. Silsbee High School can provide support but will not initiate or complete the accommodations process for the student.
<i>Advanced Notice Required</i>	-Students must contact the Special Populations Office at Lamar Institute of Technology at least one week prior to their desired testing date. - During Peak seasons (December-January, May, July-August), additional notice may be required due to high demand.
<i>Documentation Submission</i>	Students must provide current 504 Plan or IEP documentation to the Special Populations office for review and determination of accommodations.

Standard TSIA2 Features Available to Students

<i>Untimed Testing</i>	No time limits for ELAR, essay, or mathematics sections (including diagnostics). Students must be aware of testing center hours.
<i>Breaks</i>	Students may use the “Save and Continue Later” feature (except for the essay section). Tests must be completed within 14 calendar days.
<i>Calculators</i>	Built-in calculator options (basic, square root, graphing) are available for applicable math questions.
<i>Highlighter Tool</i>	Available for annotating reading passages and narratives. Tutorials are available in the Student Portal.
<i>Flexible Scheduling</i>	Students may take each section of the TSIA2 on separate days.

Commonly Approved Accommodations

Based on documentation and student needs, the following accommodations may be provided:

- Use of distraction-free ADA testing room
 - Permission to have food/drink or check blood sugar levels (for students with diabetes)
 - Use of screen reader technology
 - Encouragement to utilize built-in TSIA2 tools (calculator, highlighter, breaks)
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