

November 5, 2018

Dear Parents,

State Board of Education rules require school districts to offer Examinations for Acceleration to students who wish to test for advancement to the next grade level or receive credit for a high school course for which he or she has had no prior instruction. Pleasant Grove Independent School District will offer examinations for acceleration for current kindergarten through twelfth grade students during the dates listed below

To receive credit for acceleration, a student must score **80%** or above on each individual examination. Upon meeting the test requirements, a student may advance one grade level or receive credit for a high school course for the 2018-2019 school year. The acceleration exams are very difficult for students as the tests cover the all of the required TEKS for the course. Please discuss all possibilities of classroom instruction with your child's school counselor before requesting this strenuous testing process.

In accordance with Pleasant Grove ISD Policy and Texas Education Law students must meet the following criteria to be eligible to take an exam for acceleration.

GRADES 1-5	GRADES 6-12
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Comply with deadlines in this letter2. Request an Exam for Acceleration3. Have recommendation from school personnel that student be accelerated4. Successfully complete the requested exam on listed testing dates5. Current PGISD student.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Comply with deadlines in this letter2. Request an Exam for Acceleration3. Must have successfully completed or be enrolled in the prerequisite course for the requested exam4. Successfully complete the requested exam on listed testing dates5. Current PGISD Student.

Requests will be accepted through the following dates. No requests will be accepted after the published deadlines for test administrations.

Request Deadline	Testing Dates
November 16, 2018	December 19-20, 2018
January 11, 2019	February 12-14, 2019
April 22, 2019	May 21-23, 2019
June 7, 2019	July 17-18, 2019

If you have any questions concerning examinations for acceleration, please contact the principal or counselor of the school your child attends.

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