



waco high school

2017-2018 Spring Semester Exam Schedule

Senior Finals Week: May 14 - 18 (Regular Bell Schedule)

Monday, May 14th	English Day 1 / Math Day 1
Tuesday, May 15th	English Day 2 / Math Day 2 / LOTE
Wednesday, May 16th	Science Day 1 / Social Studies Day 1
Thursday, May 17th	Science Day 2 / Social Studies Day 2
Friday, May 18th *Senior Grades due by 5pm	CTE / AVID / JROTC / PE

Seniors taking AP Exams May 14-18th will need to reschedule final exams with their teachers.

9th - 11th Grade Finals: May 25 - 31 (*Early Release at 2pm)

	Friday May 25th	Tuesday May 29th	Wednesday May 30th	Thursday May 31th
8:30 - 8:40 Check-in/Attendance	1 st Period	3 rd Period	5 th Period	7 th Period
8:45 - 10:30 Exam: 1 hr. 45 min.				
10:30 - 12:00	4th Period/Lunches A Lunch: 10:30 - 11:00 B Lunch 11:00 - 11:30 C Lunch: 11:30 - 12:00			
12:00 - 12:10 Check-in/Attendance	2 nd Period	4 th Period	6 th Period	8 th Period
12:15 - 2:00 Exam: 1 hr. 45 min.				

Finals are not allowed to be given early unless approved by an administrator. Please follow the Exemption Policy which is attached.

When a student is **exempt**, you will enter **EXC** on the semester exam column in TEAMS. Please visit with your IS and Dept. Chair if you have questions.

Spring Semester Exam Exemption Exemption Policy Per Waco ISD Grading Handbook

Any tenth or eleventh grade student who meets the grade and attendance requirements listed below may be exempted from the final exam in each class for the **spring semester only**. Any twelfth grade student who meets the grade and attendance requirements listed below may be exempted from the final exam in each class **both fall and spring semesters**. The exemption applies to each class individually.

Additionally, students in an Advanced Placement course who have taken the Advanced Placement examination for that course will be exempted from its second semester examination. Students who were enrolled in an Advanced Placement course but did not take the Advanced Placement examination will be required to take the course instructor's second semester exam.

In lieu of taking the exam, students will be provided with alternate activities during their scheduled exam time. These alternative activities will be conducted on campus.

An actual grade average (unweighted) of eighty-five (85) or better for the semester in a particular class will be required.

A student may have no more than two (2) *excused* absences in the class for which the exemption is desired. Students with even one *unexcused* absence or one day of in-school or out-of-school suspension may not be exempted. Absence is defined as missing a specific class period, whether excused or unexcused, in-school suspension, or out-of-school suspension. A tardy of 10 minutes or more is considered an absence. Three unexcused tardies of less than ten minutes constitute an absence. The only absence exceptions are school-related business such as extra-curricular activities or field trips **and bona fide, documented college or university visits for which all make-up work is completed**. The teacher's record (grade book) is the final authority; therefore, any questions about school-related absences should be cleared up with the teacher as soon as possible after the absence.

Students who do not attend the alternate activities will be counted absent. If this absence exceeds the two (2) allowable excused absences for the grading period, or is an unexcused absence, the student's exemption will be revoked. The student will receive an *Incomplete* for all applicable subjects until the final examination(s) are taken.

A student who meets the exemption requirements for a class may choose to take the exam regardless of his/her grade in a particular class. However, if she/he takes the exam, the grade will be counted and averaged with the semester grades in order to determine the final course grade.

Students will be notified by each teacher of their exemption status the day prior to the first day of final exams. Absences will be counted through that day.

Exemptions for Advanced Placement

Additionally, students in an Advanced Placement course who have taken the Advanced Placement examination for that course will be exempt from the second semester examination. Students who were enrolled in an Advanced Placement course but did not take the Advanced Placement examination for that course will be required to take the course instructor's semester exam.

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