

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:
RETENTION AND PROMOTION

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(REGULATION)

PROMOTION
REQUIREMENTS
FOR HIGH
SCHOOL
STUDENTS

Grade Level promotion in grades 9 through 12 shall be determined by the number of credits earned.

Grade Level	Required Credits
Grade 9	0-5.5
Grade 10	6-11.5
Grade 11	12-17.5
Grade 12	18 or more

Mexico		United States Grade Equivalent	
Primaria	6 years	Elementary	6 years
Secundaria	3 years		
1 st year, Primero		7 th Grade	<i>Grade level classification will follow above TISD Retention and Promotion Policy</i>
2 nd year, Segundo		8 th Grade	
3 rd year, Tercero		9 th Grade	
Preparatoria			
1 st year, Primero		10 th Grade	
2 nd year, Segundo		11 th Grade	
3 rd year, Tercero		12 th Grade	

Students who have completed all three levels of education in Mexico-Primaria, Secundaria, and Preparatoria-are deemed secondary school graduates and will not be accepted for admission.

EVALUATION OF
TRANSCRIPTS
FROM MEXICO

The following criteria shall be utilized in granting credits from an educational institution in Mexico. The following courses taken during Secundaria (grades 7-9) are applied to high school credit as follows:

Secundaria Grades 7-9	Guidelines for transferring courses from Secundaria	
Course-Mexico	Course Equivalent-Tornillo ISD	Credits
<i>Español-Primero de Secundaria</i>	Spanish I	1
<i>Español-Segundo de Secundaria</i>	Spanish II	1
<i>Español-Tercero de Secundaria</i>	Spanish III	1
TISD Validation Policy will be applied to students whose transcript reflects <i>Español-Segundo de Secundaria</i> or <i>Español – Tercero de Secundaria</i>		

Secundaria	Guidelines for transferring courses from the Secundaria- Tercer Año (US 9th grade) are as follows:	
Course-Mexico	Course Equivalent-Tornillo ISD	Credits
Lengua Extranjera-Ingles Score of 7 or higher	Language Arts - English Language Arts I will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better.	TBD
Matematicas III Score of 7 or higher	Mathematics – Algebra I will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better.	TBD
Fisica Quimica Score of 7 or higher	Science- IPC will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better	TBD
Historia Universal Score of 7 or higher	Social Studies – World History will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better.	TBD
Educación Fisica Score of 7 or higher	PE 1	1
Lengua Extranjera Score of 7 or higher	Foreign Language – languages other than Spanish must be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better for credit to be assigned.	TBD

Educación Tecnológica Score of 7 or higher	Touch System Data Entry Note: unless otherwise noted on the transcript	1
Expresión y Apreciación Artísticas Score of 7 or higher	Art I or Theater I	1
Preparatoria	Guidelines for transferring courses from Preparatoria - (US 10 th , 11 th , 12 th grades) are as follows:	
Course-Mexico	Course Equivalent-Tornillo ISD	Credits
Lengua Extranjera-Ingles Score of 7 or higher	Language Arts - Language Arts I will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better.	TBD
Matematicas I, II Score of 7 or higher	Mathematics- Algebra I will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better. If student elects not to take the CBE, Matematicas I-II will be applied as a math state elective credit – Mathematical Models	TBD
Fisica Quimica Score of 7 or higher	IPC will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better.	TBD

Fisica Score of 7 or higher	Physics will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better.	TBD
Quimica Score of 7 or higher	Chemistry will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better.	TBD
Biologia Score of 7 or higher	Biology will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better.	TBD
Geografia Score of 7 or higher	World Geography will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better.	TBD
Historia Universal Score of 7 or higher	World History will be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better.	TBD
Educación Fisica Score of 7 or higher	PE 1	1
Lengua Extranjera Score of 7 or higher	Foreign Language – languages other than Spanish must be validated through credit by exam with a score of 70 or better for credit to be assigned.	TBD
Educación Tecnológico Score of 7 or higher	Touch System Data Entry Note: unless otherwise noted on the transcript	1
Informatica or Computación Score of 7 or higher	Business Information Management I	1

CREDITS HELD
IN ESCROW
FROM NON-
ACCREDITED
FOREIGN
SCHOOLS

Expresión y Apreciación Artísticas Score of 7 or higher	Art I or Theater I	1
TBD – to be determined pending results of credit by exam High School credits earned outside the United States from non-accredited non-U.S. schools will be held in escrow for one full academic school year pending successful completion of grade level assessments and current assigned coursework. Student transcripts from schools in Mexico that have school certification credentials recognized in Texas such as Southern Association of Colleges and Schools will be evaluated under the same guidelines as any US transcript.		