

# Texas Success Initiative Pre- Assessment Activity (PAA) Transition Webinar

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# Presenter



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# AGENDA

- **TSI Pre-Assessment Activity Overview**
- **Transition from Querium PAA**
- **New THECB PAA Introduction**
- **Accessing the New THECB PAA**
- **Overview of Student Experience**
- **Administrator Reporting**
- **Additional Information**

# What is the TSI Pre-Assessment Activity (PAA)?

## TAC RULE §4.55(b)

Prior to the administration of an approved instrument in §4.56 of this title (relating to Assessment Instrument), a test administrator [institution] shall provide to the student a pre-assessment activity(ies) that addresses at a minimum the following components in an effective and efficient manner, such as through workshops, orientations, and/or online modules:

- (1) Importance of assessment in students' academic career;
- (2) Assessment process and components, including practice with feedback of sample test questions in all disciplinary areas;
- (3) Developmental education options including corequisite, course-pairing, non-course-based, modular, and other non-conventional interventions;
- (4) Institutional and/or community student resources (e.g., supplemental instruction, tutoring, transportation, childcare, financial aid).

# TSI Pre-Assessment Activity

## Reminders:

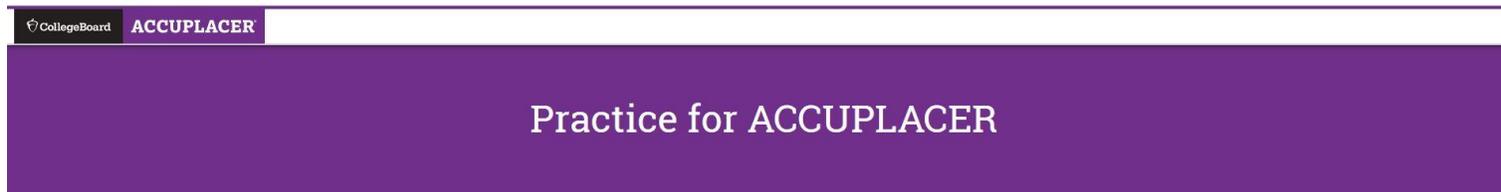
- Test administrators may create their own PAA provided it addresses the components of [TAC RULE §4.55\(b\)](#)
- With permission from the Institution of Higher Education (IHE), a high school may use an IHE's PAA
- For audit purposes, test administrators should adequately maintain records for PAAs provided to students for initial administrations of the TSI assessment (i.e., student's first attempt of the test)

# TSI Pre-Assessment Activity Transition

- THECB contract with Querium ends February 28, 2022
- PAAs may be administered using Querium through contract end date
  - Students completing Querium PAA are not required to complete new PAA once launched.
- Current Querium users will have access to administrator site until March 30, 2022
  - Any PAA completion reports needed should be downloaded during this time

# New THECB PAA

- New THECB PAA will **go live on Sunday, February 27, 2022**
- PAA will be integrated into the Accuplacer Practice App
- There is NO sign-up process required for institutions

A screenshot of the "Sign in" form within the app. At the top is a red lock icon and the text "Sign in". Below are two input fields: "Email Address \*" containing "keylan.morgan@higerhed.texas.gov" and "Password \*" with masked characters. A yellow "Sign In" button is positioned below the fields. At the bottom, there are two links: "Forgot password?" and "Don't have an account? Sign Up".

# ACCESSING New THECB PAA

- Institutions will direct students to <https://practice.accuplacer.org/login> to complete PAA.
  - Be sure to update links on your websites
- To access the PAA, the student must create an account for the Practice APP if one has not been previously created.

The screenshot displays the 'Practice for ACCUPLACER' app interface. At the top, there is a purple header with the CollegeBoard logo and 'ACCUPLACER' text. Below this is a large purple banner with the text 'Practice for ACCUPLACER'. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column, titled 'Information', contains instructions for creating an account and lists password requirements: at least one lowercase character, one numeral, one uppercase character, and one special character. The right column, titled 'Sign up', contains input fields for First Name, Last Name, Email Address, Password, and Confirm Password, followed by a yellow 'Sign Up' button and a link for 'Already have an account? Sign In'. The footer contains copyright information and links for 'About this App', 'Contact Us', 'Privacy Policy', 'Terms of Use', and 'FAQs'.

# ACCESSING New THECB PAA

The screenshot shows the ACCUPLACER Practice App interface. At the top left, the CollegeBoard logo and 'ACCUPLACER' are displayed. The user's name, 'Keylan Morgan', is shown at the top right. Below the header, the 'Practice App' title is visible, along with 'HOME' and 'HISTORY' navigation options. The main content area is titled 'Choose a Practice Test' and lists four options, each with a purple icon and a right-pointing arrow:

- ACCUPLACER
- English as a Second Language (ESL)
- Texas Success Initiative 2.0 Pre-Assessment Activity (TSIA2 - PAA)  
Texas Student? Start Here--You must take the PAA prior to the TSIA2.
- Texas Success Initiative Assessments 2.0 (TSIA 2)

A large blue arrow points to the 'Texas Success Initiative 2.0 Pre-Assessment Activity (TSIA2 - PAA)' option. At the bottom of the screen, there is a footer with copyright information: '© 2022 College Board : version: 1.0.647' and links for 'About this App', 'Contact Us', 'Privacy Policy', 'Terms of Use', and 'FAQs'.

- After successfully logging in, the student will select TSIA2-PAA to access the PAA.

Note: TSIA2-PAA option will not be available for selection prior to launch.

# ACCESSING New THECB PAA

- The student will select "Begin Pre-Assessment Activity" to proceed to Step 1

The screenshot shows the ACCUPLACER Practice App interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the CollegeBoard logo, the word "ACCUPLACER" in a purple box, and the user's name "Keylan Morgan" with a profile icon. Below this is a "Practice App" header with "HOME" and "HISTORY" navigation options. The main content area is titled "Texas Success Initiative Pre-Assessments 2.0". Underneath, there is a section titled "Texas Success Initiative Pre-Assessments 2.0" with a pencil icon, followed by a paragraph explaining the test and a list of four points. At the bottom of this section, there are two buttons: "RESUME PRE-ASSESSMENT ACTIVITY" (with an "In Progress" badge) and "BEGIN PRE-ASSESSMENT ACTIVITY". A large blue arrow points to the "BEGIN PRE-ASSESSMENT ACTIVITY" button. The footer contains copyright information and links for "About this App", "Contact Us", "Privacy Policy", "Terms of Use", and "FAQs".

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Practice App HOME HISTORY

### Texas Success Initiative Pre-Assessments 2.0

**Texas Success Initiative Pre-Assessments 2.0**  
The Texas Success Initiative Assessment, 2.0 (TSIA2) is the test created by the state of Texas to help determine whether students are ready for freshman-level college courses in Mathematics and English Language Arts and Reading (ELAR).

TSI Rule 4.55(b) requires that all testing sites provide a Pre-Assessment Activity (PAA) for all test takers prior to test administration. The PAA will help you understand the following:

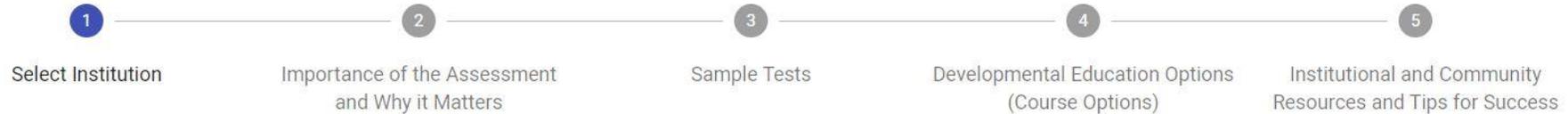
1. Why you are being tested.
2. How the TSIA2 works, including calculator and highlighter tutorials and practice test questions.
3. How test results impact your postsecondary options.
4. Resources available to you.

**In Progress** RESUME PRE-ASSESSMENT ACTIVITY BEGIN PRE-ASSESSMENT ACTIVITY

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# PAA Student Experience

## Texas Success Initiative Pre-Assessments 2.0



### Step 1 – Select Institution

Please select the campus where you plan to take the TSIA2. \*

Institution selection is required.

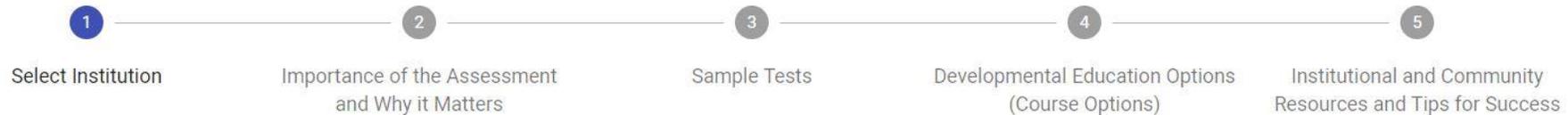
I agree to allow ACCUPLACER to share my name, email address, and Pre-Assessment Activity completion status with the selected institution.

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# PAA Student Experience

## Texas Success Initiative Pre-Assessments 2.0



### Step 2

- Importance of test
- Its purpose
- How it's designed
- How long does it take

### Step 3

- Must complete 10 sample questions for ELAR and math
- Accessibility tools
- Ability to use calculator and highlighter tools in testing environment

### Step 4

- Brief overview of DE Course/Intervention options for HS complete testers
- Information regarding retest options

### Step 5

- Presentation of general resources and tips that support student success

# PAA Student Experience

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Practice App

HOME

## Texas Success Initiative Pre-Assessments 2.0

Select Institution   Importance of the Assessment and Why it Matters   Sample Tests   Developmental Education Options (Course Options)   Institutional and Community Resources and Tips for Success

**Congratulations! You have completed your TSIA2 Pre-Assessment Activity!**

[Click here to view/download your completion certificate.](#)

**Next Steps:**

- [Click here to practice more TSIA2 test.](#)
- [Click here to download the Student Informational Brochure.](#)
- Check your email for PAA Completion Certificate.
- Print your PAA Completion Certificate.

Student will receive a copy of PAA completion certificate via email

Student can click link to download PAA completion certificate and present to test administrator.

# PAA Completion Certificate

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## CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

This certifies that

**Keylan Morgan**

has successfully completed the  
Texas Success Initiative Assessment 2.0 (TSIA2)

**Pre-Assessment Activity**

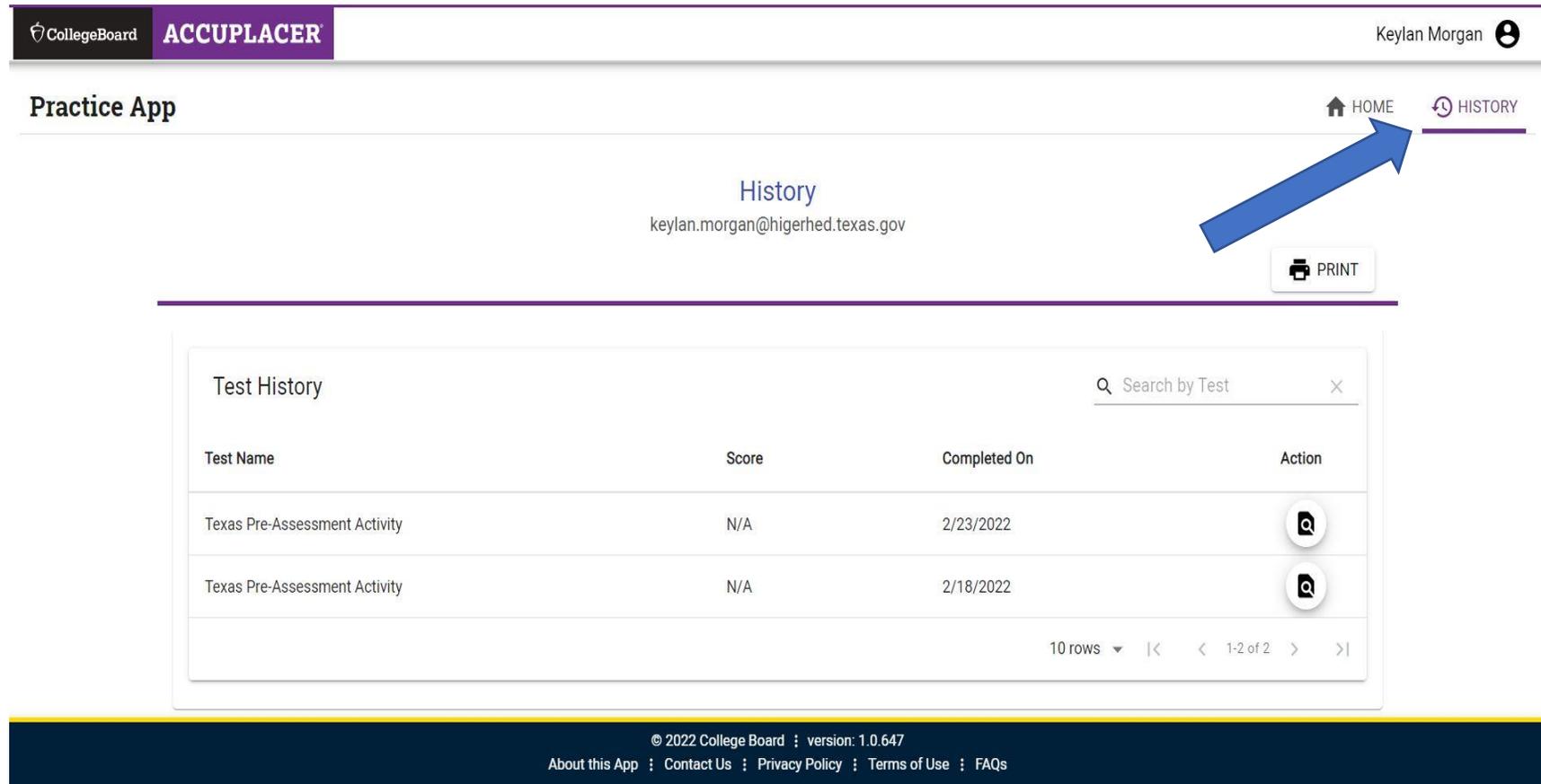
This credential is nontransferable

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# Completion Certificate Retrieval

- Students can retrieve PAA Completion Certificate at any time by logging into the Practice APP and clicking the "History" button.



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Test Name	Score	Completed On	Action
Texas Pre-Assessment Activity	N/A	2/23/2022	
Texas Pre-Assessment Activity	N/A	2/18/2022	

# Administrator Reporting

- At launch, the only way to verify completion of the PAA will be confirmation from the student (e.g., email or present PAA completion certificate).
  - Test administrators should clearly communicate preferences and protocols to students regarding collection of PAA completion documentation.
- Plans are underway to integrate PAA reporting into the TSIA2 (Accuplacer) platform via reporting.
  - Once complete, test administrators will be able to access PAA completion reports from the same portal used to administer the TSIA2.

# Additional Information

- No Personal Identifiable Information (PII) is collected (e.g., DOB, ID numbers) as part of the student registration process
- Currently, information presented in Steps 4 (Developmental Course Options) and Step 5 (Institutional and Community Resources...) are not able to be customized for each institution.

# Future Enhancements

- Administrator reporting capability through the TSIA2 platform
- Addition of general resources and success tips for Step 5 for both high school and high school complete students
- Incorporation of videos to enhance student experience

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