

MEMORANDUM

December 19, 2012

TO: Board Members

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Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: **October 2012 HISD TAKS EXIT-LEVEL PERFORMANCE OF RETESTERS**

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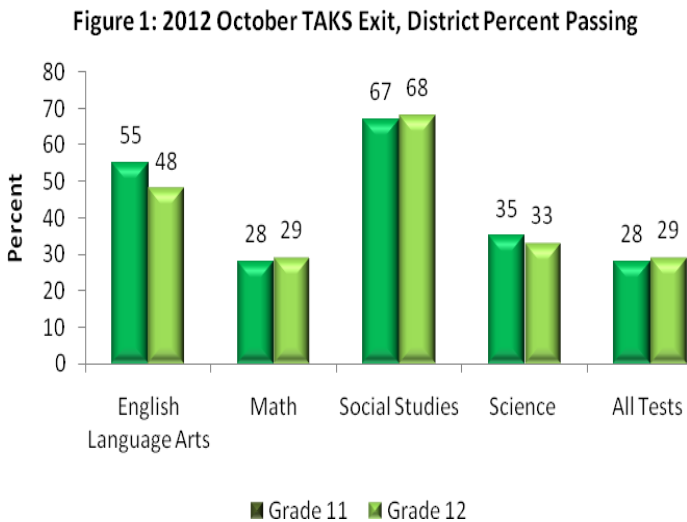
The Houston Independent School District (HISD) received the results from the October 2012 administration of the TAKS exit-level retest. This was a special exam only offered to eleventh and twelfth-grade HISD students who had not yet passed one or more of the TAKS subtests during prior administrations. The passing standard for retesting students is the state standard that was applicable on the exit-level test during the student’s first attempt on the test. The data presented provides a status report identifying the number of students by subject who still need to pass the TAKS to graduate. The next testing opportunity will be during the week of March 4–7, 2013.

There were 1,140 eleventh-grade students who were expected to be tested during the October 2012 administration of the TAKS exit-level retest. Of these students, 1,072 were actually tested, 11 were counted as absent, and 57 were not tested due to other reasons.

There were 1,330 twelfth-graders who were expected to be tested during the October 2012 administration of the TAKS retest. Of these students, 1,199 were actually tested, 45 students were counted as absent, and 86 were not tested for other reasons.

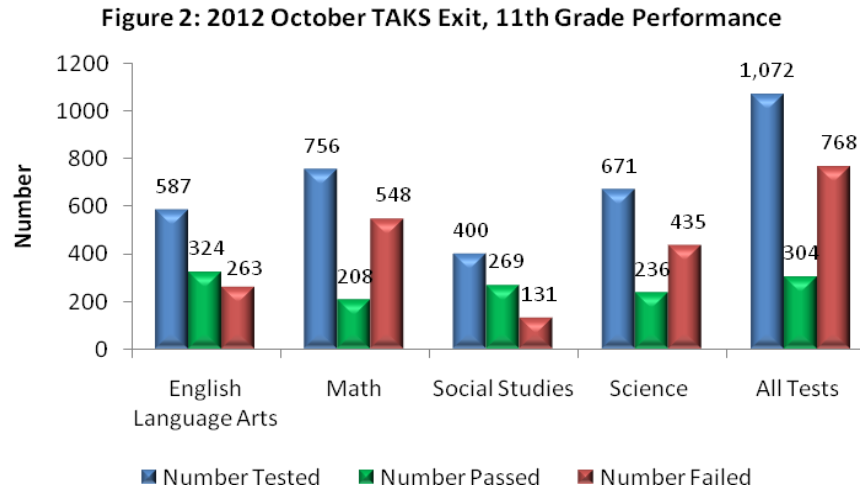
The results from an analysis of the performance of students who were administered the exam at districtwide and school levels are presented in the following summary and attached tables.

The district percents passing for both grade levels by subject are shown below in **Figure 1**.

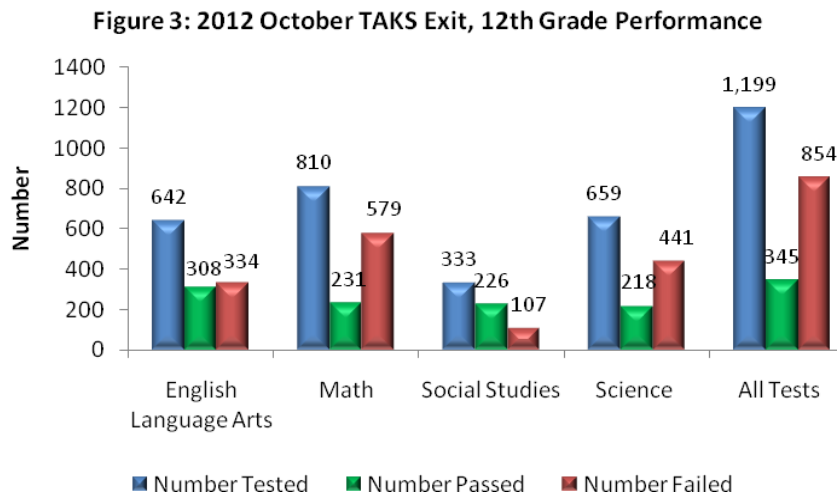


- The highest passing rate for all eleventh graders was in social studies at 67 percent, followed by English/Language Arts at 55 percent.
- The lowest passing rate for all eleventh-grade retesters was in mathematics, where 28 percent of the students assessed met the standard.
- The highest passing rate for twelfth graders was in social studies where 68 percent of the students assessed met the passing standard.
- The lowest passing rate was mathematics, where 29 percent of the twelfth-grade students assessed met the passing standard.

Figures 2 and 3 present the number tested and the number failing for grades 11 and 12 by subject.



- On the 2012 October TAKS exit-level retest, 1,072 eleventh-grade students took at least one subject test. Of these students, 304 students, or 28%, met the standard on all subject tests they took.
- Conversely, 768 of those students tested still have failed at least one TAKS test needed to graduate. This compares to 634 juniors not having passed TAKS at this time in 2011.



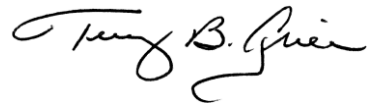
- On the October 2012 administration of the TAKS exit-level retest, 1,199 twelfth-grade students took at least one subject test. Of these students, 345, or 29 percent, passed all subject tests they took. These 345 students have met the TAKS requirements for graduation.
- Conversely, 854 of the seniors tested still have failed at least one TAKS test needed to graduate. This compares to 1,185 seniors at this time in 2011 not having passed TAKS.

Results by Number of Tests Taken

Districtwide results for eleventh and twelfth-grade students by the number of tests taken for the October 2012 TAKS exit-level retest are presented in **Table 1**.

Table 1: District Results on the October 2012 TAKS Exit-Level Retest by the Number of Tests Taken						
<u>Grade Level</u>	<u>N Tests Taken</u>	<u>N Students</u>	<u>N Met</u>	<u>% Met</u>	<u>N Not Met</u>	<u>% Not Met</u>
11	1	416	178	43	238	57
11	2	227	38	17	189	83
11	3	172	21	12	151	88
11	4	257	67	26	190	74
11	Total	1,072	304	28	768	72
12	1	575	224	39	351	61
12	2	250	32	13	218	87
12	3	127	17	13	110	87
12	4	247	72	29	175	71
12	Total	1,199	345	29	854	71

The attachment provides HISD student performance for the 2012 October TAKS exit-level retest by subjects, for grades eleven and twelve for the district and for student groups. **Table 2** presents the results for the following demographic groups: all students, racial/ethnic subgroups, economically disadvantaged students, English Language Learners (ELL), and students with disabilities (SWD). School-level results for eleventh and twelfth-grade students for the October 2012 Exit-Level TAKS retest are presented in **Table 3**, with Apollo campus results in **Tables 4 and 5**. The school-level results include the number taking, the percent passing, and the number not meeting the passing standard for each subject.



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Attachments

- cc: Superintendent's Direct Reports
- Chief School Officers
- School Support Officers
- High School Principals
- Sowmya Kumar
- Altagracia Guerrero
- Nancy Gregory

Table 2: Districtwide Results October 2012 Exit-Level Retest by Ethnicity and Student Group

	Grade	English Language Arts			Mathematics			Social Studies			Science			All Tests Taken		
		N Take	% Pass	N Fail	N Take	% Pass	N Fail	N Take	% Pass	N Fail	N Take	% Pass	N Fail	N Take	% Pass	N Fail
Amer. Ind./ Alaska	11	3	*	*	4	*	*	0			4	*	*	5	20	4
	12	1	*	*	2	*	*	1	*	*	3	*	*	4	*	*
Asian American	11	25	36	16	20	30	14	18	72	5	25	48	13	34	29	24
	12	27	56	12	22	50	11	12	83	2	18	28	13	38	45	21
African American	11	185	62	70	250	22	195	125	62	48	209	30	147	345	25	258
	12	136	60	54	261	29	185	77	82	14	186	37	117	338	28	245
Hispanic	11	346	51	168	442	28	317	230	69	72	402	36	259	641	29	458
	12	428	41	252	468	24	354	212	59	86	405	29	289	744	26	548
Hawaiian/ Pacific Is.	11	1	*	*	1	*	*	0			2	*	*	2	*	*
	12	2	*	*	2	*	*	0			2	*	*	2	*	*
White	11	24	79	5	36	53	17	23	83	4	24	67	8	39	54	18
	12	37	78	8	41	59	17	25	88	3	35	57	15	56	57	24
2 or More Eth. Gr.	11	3	*	*	2	*	*	3	*	*	4	*	*	5	20	4
	12	3	*	*	8	25	6	2	*	*	5	20	4	9	22	7
Econ. Disadv.	11	484	53	226	608	25	457	321	64	115	543	33	363	871	26	642
	12	498	44	278	620	24	471	256	63	96	535	29	378	933	25	699
ELL	11	161	25	120	130	22	102	77	47	41	141	26	105	205	18	168
	12	312	26	232	254	15	217	133	41	79	236	17	195	400	13	348
SWD	11	70	36	45	87	5	83	39	41	23	86	16	72	143	8	131
	12	91	48	47	123	15	104	35	54	16	99	19	80	175	20	140
All Students	11	587	55	263	756	28	548	400	67	131	671	35	435	1,072	28	768
	12	642	48	334	810	29	579	333	68	107	659	33	441	1,199	29	854

*Numbers masked when fewer than five students tested.

Table 3: 2012 October TAKS Exit-Level Retest Exam Results by Campus

Campus	Grd	English Language Arts			Mathematics			Social Studies			Science			All Tests Taken		
		N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing
Adv. Virtual Academy	11	14	71	4	36	19	29	15	67	5	34	32	23	50	26	37
	12	8	63	3	21	24	16	4	*	*	20	25	15	31	29	22
Austin	11	10	80	2	11	27	8	6	100	0	8	50	4	15	40	9
	12	26	31	18	36	25	27	10	90	1	31	23	24	63	21	50
Bellaire	11	18	56	8	39	38	24	16	69	5	25	52	12	44	36	28
	12	30	63	11	41	29	29	15	80	3	25	24	19	60	32	41
Carnegie Vanguard	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	0			3	*	*	2	*	*	2	*	*	3	*	*
Chavez	11	37	38	23	44	36	28	21	52	10	44	18	36	79	27	58
	12	17	35	11	16	44	9	9	56	4	13	15	11	30	23	23
Community Services	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	0			1	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*
Davis	11	26	50	13	28	32	19	20	80	4	31	26	23	41	27	30
	12	34	38	21	50	28	36	13	77	3	42	29	30	77	29	55
Eastwood Academy	11	5	100	0	5	100	0	5	100	0	5	100	0	5	100	0
	12	1	*	*	1	*	*	0			0			2	*	*
Furr	11	11	82	2	24	29	17	11	91	1	17	53	8	33	30	23
	12	16	50	8	14	7	13	6	67	2	15	67	5	33	36	21
Hope Academy	11	16	81	3	23	22	18	14	50	7	20	25	15	26	19	21
	12	8	88	1	18	28	13	5	60	2	9	33	6	20	30	14
Houston Academy for International Studies	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	2	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*	2	*	*
HSLECJ	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	0			2	*	*	1	*	*	2	*	*	4	*	*
HSPVA	11	0			0			1	*	*	0			1	*	*
	12	1	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*
Houston M, S, T	11	8	38	5	16	6	15	5	80	1	10	40	6	21	19	17
	12	49	49	25	67	25	50	20	75	5	60	32	41	108	27	79

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Jones	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	11	36	7	23	9	21	3	*	*	18	33	12	30	20	24
Jordan, Barbara	11	6	33	4	8	13	7	0			3	*	*	15	20	12
	12	2	*	*	1	*	*	0			0			3	*	*
Kashmere	11	14	71	4	13	31	9	12	75	3	13	38	8	16	19	13
	12	10	50	5	15	40	9	1	*	*	14	21	11	22	36	14
Lamar	11	11	82	2	11	55	5	5	80	1	11	27	8	19	53	9
	12	30	73	8	31	42	18	18	94	1	30	40	18	55	45	30
Lee	11	21	71	6	25	48	13	23	74	6	25	56	11	28	43	16
	12	48	42	28	49	31	34	16	63	6	43	37	27	73	29	52
Liberty	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	136	18	111	126	8	116	90	34	59	120	15	102	167	7	156
Madison	11	44	41	26	45	36	29	24	75	6	45	38	28	78	28	56
	12	16	63	6	18	50	9	15	73	4	20	55	9	22	32	15
Milby	11	41	54	19	55	27	40	14	86	2	43	30	30	85	26	63
	12	8	38	5	5	60	2	2	*	*	5	0	5	12	33	8
Mount Carmel Academy	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	2	*	*	2	*	*	1	*	*	2	*	*	2	*	*
REACH	11	100	51	49	132	8	122	95	51	47	136	25	102	161	11	144
	12	7	71	2	15	13	13	4	*	*	14	7	13	24	21	19
Reagan	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	47	81	9	45	42	26	31	94	2	36	61	14	66	42	38
Scarborough	11	12	75	3	19	47	10	8	75	2	17	35	11	28	36	18
	12	5	60	2	6	50	3	4	*	*	5	60	2	7	43	4
Sharpstown	11	25	60	10	38	29	27	9	44	5	32	75	8	59	49	30
	12	8	25	6	5	40	3	6	50	3	8	63	3	12	33	8
Sharpstown Int'l. School	11	2	*	*	3	*	*	0			1	*	*	5	20	4
	12	0			0			0			0			0		

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Sterling	11	32	53	15	22	18	18	4	*	*	23	17	19	51	29	36
	12	0			2	*	*	0			3	*	*	4	*	*
Vision Academy	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	1	*	*	5	0	5	1	*	*	2	*	*	5	0	5
Waltrip	11	1	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*
	12	25	84	4	31	48	16	16	88	2	22	45	12	51	47	27
Washington	11	5	80	1	10	20	8	6	67	2	8	25	6	11	18	9
	12	12	17	10	29	28	21	0			12	17	10	39	28	28
Westbury	11	53	43	30	60	27	44	32	72	9	47	30	33	84	32	57
	12	22	64	8	35	31	24	11	100	0	25	40	15	48	29	34
Westside	11	32	66	11	47	49	24	29	83	5	36	50	18	57	42	33
	12	25	72	7	30	40	18	9	100	0	15	53	7	43	49	22
Wheatley	11	26	27	19	22	0	22	11	18	9	19	5	18	36	8	33
	12	7	14	6	12	17	10	3	*	*	6	17	5	13	0	13
Worthing	11	5	40	3	7	43	4	2	*	*	5	20	4	10	30	7
	12	14	57	6	27	22	21	6	67	2	23	43	13	38	32	26
Yates	11	12	100	0	12	67	4	11	100	0	12	100	0	13	69	4
	12	14	79	3	26	54	12	8	100	0	14	64	5	28	43	16
Houston ISD	11	587	55	263	756	28	548	400	67	131	671	35	435	1,072	28	768
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		N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing
Jones HS	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	11	36	7	23	9	21	3	*	*	18	33	12	30	20	24
Kashmere HS	11	14	71	4	13	31	9	12	75	3	13	38	8	16	19	13
	12	10	50	5	15	40	9	1	*	*	14	21	11	22	36	14
Lee HS	11	21	71	6	25	48	13	23	74	6	25	56	11	28	43	16
	12	48	42	28	49	31	34	16	63	6	43	37	27	73	29	52
Sharpstown HS	11	25	60	10	38	29	27	9	44	5	32	75	8	59	49	30
	12	8	25	6	5	40	3	6	50	3	8	63	3	12	33	8
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		N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing	N Taking	% Passing	N Failing
Jones HS	11	0			0			0			0			0		
	12	5	20	4	21	38	13	3	*	*	14	36	9	27	41	16
Kashmere HS	11	9	22	7	18	22	14	2	*	*	9	44	5	19	21	15
	12	3	*	*	5	0	5	3	*	*	5	20	4	10	10	9
Lee HS	11	29	76	7	23	74	6	22	95	1	24	54	11	30	60	12
	12	86	49	44	67	57	29	32	94	2	65	62	25	118	41	70
Sharpstown HS	11	38	55	17	39	72	11	11	73	3	33	73	9	61	49	31
	12	5	20	4	13	62	5	4	*	*	10	50	5	15	27	11
Houston ISD	11	516	59	210	693	36	444	394	75	99	640	39	389	934	32	634
	12	778	46	420	1,146	39	696	389	78	86	1,005	41	592	1,761	33	1,185

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