

GENERAL GUIDANCE: TEXAS VIRTUAL SCHOOL NETWORK (TxVSN) STATEWIDE CATALOG COURSES AND UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE (UIL) STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

As online academic opportunities become increasingly available to Texas students, an opinion on how an online course offered in the TxVSN statewide catalog factors into student eligibility was solicited from the University Interscholastic League (UIL).

The UIL side-by-side document states that any online course taken via the TxVSN statewide catalog is handled through the local independent school district in which the student is enrolled, then the following information applies:

- if the online course is a high school graduation requirement, and
- not eligible for exemption as an advanced class,
- then grades for the online course will have an impact on academic eligibility.

The grade report at the scheduled high school grading periods can be simply a pass/fail indication of the student's progress at the time; however, local schools are able to have more stringent grading policies if they so choose.

Information concerning online courses may be located in the <u>TEA & UIL Side by Side (2015-2016)</u> <u>Eligibility for Extracurricular Activities (revised July 2015)</u>, page 7, number 16. For further assistance or for additional information on student eligibility, please contact:

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