

RETENTION POLICY FOR DEVELOPMENTAL COURSE COMPLETION AND STUDENT SUCCESS

Weatherford College believes that having students enrolled in the appropriate Mathematics and English courses at the beginning of their college careers is important to student success. It is our desire to provide every opportunity to help them maximize their learning experience in every college course. Therefore, WC has adopted the following retention policy:

- Students whose placement scores require remediation in Reading and/ or English and/or Mathematics should be enrolled in each appropriate course, beginning the first semester of attendance. The Texas Success Initiative restricts enrollment in certain college level courses until the required developmental courses are completed successfully or the TSI or alternative test is retaken and the required score is presented. These are:
 - Courses restricted by **READING** scores:
 - BIOL 1406, 1407, 1411, and 1413
 - ENGL 1301 and 1302
 - HIST 1301 and 1302
 - GOVT 2305 and 2306
 - Courses restricted by **WRITING** scores:
 - ENGL 1301 and 1302
 - Courses restricted by **MATH** scores:
 - BIOL 1406, 1407, 1411, and 1413
 - MATH 1314, 1324, 1332, 1316, 1325, 1342, and 1350
- The student should progress through developmental coursework in each area of need, either in consecutive semesters or in concurrent enrollment with college-level coursework, until the student has attained college-level eligibility or demonstrated college-level competency through successful completion of coursework in the identified subject areas.
- Students whose test scores place them in the developmental level of two or more subjects will be enrolled in our student success class – EDUC 1300 – Learning Frameworks. This class is designed to help students identify their own strengths and weaknesses and teach them the necessary skills to become effective college learners.
- It is critical that students attend and participate in every class session for remediation to maximize their potential for success in subsequent college coursework. Therefore, the following attendance policy has been instituted and is enforced by Weatherford College:

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENTAL COURSES

- Students enrolled in a 1-day a week developmental class may receive an Enforced Withdrawal, “EW”, if they receive 3 absences.
- Students enrolled in a 2-day a week developmental class may receive an Enforced Withdrawal, “EW”, if they receive 5 absences.
- Students enrolled in a 2-day a week developmental class for 8 weeks may receive an Enforced Withdrawal, “EW”, if they receive 3 absences.
- Students enrolled in a 4-day a week developmental class for 8 weeks may receive an Enforced Withdrawal, “EW”, if they receive 5 absences.
- Students enrolled in a summer developmental class may receive an Enforced Withdrawal, “EW”, if they receive 3 absences.

A warning letter will be sent to the student from the Coordinator of Instructional Support when a student has acquired 1 absence in a developmental class meeting 1 day a week, 1 absence in a developmental class meeting 2 days a week for eight weeks, 1 absence in a summer developmental class, 3 absences in a developmental class meeting 2 days a week, or 3 absences in a developmental class meeting 4 days a week for eight weeks. If the student reaches the maximum number of absences, he/she will receive a suspension notification letter from the Student Services advising office. **The student has 7 days to meet with the TSI compliance director in Student Services to appeal the suspension. Until such time, the student should continue to attend all classes.**

- If the student meets with the TSI compliance officer and appeals the suspension, the student may be re-admitted to the course.
- If the student does not respond to the suspension notification letter, or if the student's appeal is denied, the student will receive an "EW". The grade of "EW" has the same grade point value as a "W".
- All students who receive an "EW" are blocked from registration for the next semester until they meet with a staff advisor.
- If a student receives a second "EW" in a subsequent semester, he/she can be withdrawn from all coursework.
- Students should be aware that an "EW" may also affect financial aid.

Questions regarding TSI requirements should be directed to the office of Student Services.