

Student Eligibility

The SAISD Adult & Community Education Program provides instructional services below the postsecondary level for individuals who:

- are at least 18 years of age
- are not enrolled or required to be enrolled in secondary school under state law
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lack sufficient mastery of basic educational skills or,

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do not have a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent or,

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are unable to speak, read, or write the English language

Students age 17 need the following documentation to enroll in classes:

- Official withdrawal papers from their last school attended
- Letter granting the student permission to attend classes from their legal guardian

In addition to the above listed documents, students age 16 require:

- Court order documentation stating student is required to attend class

Student Registration

All students wishing to attend classes must register before they attend their first class meeting. Students may register in person at the location of the class attending. Students must bring photo identification and any other required documentation.

Student Orientation

The SAISD Adult Education staff recognizes that enrolling in GED, ABE, or ESL classes is a new chapter in the lives of students. In an effort to direct and assist students in making good decisions, setting realistic goals, answer questions, and address concerns, the program has developed an orientation for newly enrolled students.

The New Student Orientation is a two day, six hour training session that provides information and introduces skills for student success. Attending the orientation is required before a student is enrolled into classes.

Assessment and Placement

Prior to attending class, students are administered an initial assessment. The assessments

utilized are the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) for students enrolling into GED and the Basic English Skills Test (BEST) for ESL students. One of the main purposes for assessment in adult education is for proper placement of students in the appropriate class level within the program.

Academic Advising

In order for students to properly set goals and create a realistic vision for success, it is necessary to engage in frequent and meaningful discussion on a one-to-one basis with students. Each student is academically advised by their instructor periodically to ensure that students continue on their desired continuing education path.

