



The Woodlands High School

2024-2025 FINAL EXAM EXEMPTION POLICY

Students will take midterms or final exams after each eighteen-week grading period. Students are only eligible for exemptions from final exams, not midterm exams. A midterm is an exam taken in December for a 36-week course. A final exam is taken in December for an 18-week (half-credit) course or in May for a 36-week course. For example, Health is an 18-week (half-credit) course; therefore, all fall and spring semester students are eligible for final exam exemptions. Forensic Science is a 36-week course; students can only be exempt from the final exam in May.

To qualify for an exemption on final exams, the student must meet the following criteria:

18- week Courses (half-credit):

Average of 85 or better with only two absences.

Average of 90 or better with only three absences.

36-week Course (year-long course):

Average of 85 or better for the spring semester, with only four cumulative absences for the year.

Average of 90 or better for the spring semester, with only five cumulative absences for the year.

Absences include all days missed: Excused and Unexcused. Pre-approved absences, DOCs, and hospital stays count against exemptions. School field trips, athletic events, UIL events, HCPs (healthcare provider - student attended school part of the day), PREs (present), GLOs (grade level office), ECLs (election clerk), CTZs (citizenship), NATs (naturalization), CVs (up to two College Visits) and religious holidays are not considered absences.

Students who have served ISS, DAEP, or OSS at any time during the school year are not eligible for exam exemptions.

Students will be granted a final exam exemption once they attend the entire class during the final exam period. Failure to attend and stay the whole period will result in a zero or an incomplete for that course.