



# CSU CAMPUSES

# EARLY ASSESSMENT PROGRAM



IT'S YOUR FUTURE:  
**TAKE CHARGE.**

## WHAT IS THE EARLY ASSESSMENT PROGRAM?

The Early Assessment Program (EAP) is an academic preparation program to help high school students meet college readiness standards in English-language arts and mathematics before admission to a CSU campus or a participating California Community College.

## HOW DO STUDENTS BENEFIT FROM THE EAP?

Eleventh grade students may be able to do the following:

- Avoid spending time and money in college remediation courses that do not count toward a bachelor's degree.
- Skip the required English and/or mathematics placement tests at the CSU or a participating California Community College.
- Identify the need for additional preparation to succeed in college while still enrolled in high school.
- Adjust senior-year coursework to prepare for the CSU or a participating California Community College.

## HOW WILL THE CSU KNOW IF STUDENTS ARE COLLEGE READY?

Before beginning the senior year, students and high schools receive EAP results on the STAR (Standardized Testing and Reporting) report. The STAR indicates readiness for college-level English-language arts and mathematics. Students must "bubble" in the section giving permission to release the results to the CSU or a participating California Community College at the time the test is taken.

## IT'S EASY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM!

The optional EAP college readiness exams are administered during the spring semester of the 11th grade as part of the required California Standards Tests (CSTs) in public California high schools. These exams include a selection of questions from the CST's along with the following:

- Early Assessment of Readiness for College English (15 additional items and a 45-minute essay).
- Early Assessment of Readiness for College Mathematics (15 additional items).

Eleventh grade students will be notified of testing dates in early spring by their high schools.

## PREPARATION IS KEY!

Students who receive a ready status are exempt from having to take remedial classes and are eligible to enroll in college credit bearing courses at the CSU or a participating California Community College. Students who haven't received these exemptions must take a more serious approach to their senior year coursework. Completing appropriate 12th grade English and math courses will result in students being better prepared for their collegiate studies.

## CHECK IT OUT!

To find out more information about the Early Assessment Program, please talk to your high school counselor and visit the website below.

[www.csusuccess.org](http://www.csusuccess.org)