

Region XIII Educator Certification Program  
**Application Requirement Checklist**  
**Social Studies 8-12**

<b>SOCIAL STUDIES – GRADES 8-12</b>		<b>Met?</b>
<b>Requirement:</b>		
<b>APPLICATION</b>	Bachelors Degree from regionally accredited institution of higher education. <sup>1</sup>	
	Grade point average: 2.5 on all coursework (includes all courses from all institutions) -or- 2.75 in last 60 semester hours of completed coursework	
	36 semester hours (reflected on transcript) in a combination of: Economics (minimum 3 hours) <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Government (minimum 6 hours) <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ History (minimum 9 hours) <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Remaining 18 hours comprised of any above listed subject: <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____	
	Grade point average: 2.5 on coursework block listed above	
	Competency in Reading, Writing, and Mathematics(through one or a combination of the following): <input type="checkbox"/> Masters Degree or Higher <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Record Exam (GRE) Verbal and Quantitative score of 500 or higher each <input type="checkbox"/> SAT composite score of 1100 with a minimum of 550 in both verbal and quantitative <input type="checkbox"/> ACT composite score of 23 with a minimum of 20 in both reading and math <input type="checkbox"/> THEA (Texas Higher Education Assessment-formerly TASP, or Texas Assessment of Skills Proficiency) <sup>2</sup> The ECP passing standard for each test area is as follows: Reading – 240 Writing – 220 Math – 240	
	THEA with passing ECP standard (required if Competency listed above not met or if applicant's transcripts are from a foreign country)	
	Application process: <input type="checkbox"/> Online application filed <input type="checkbox"/> Payment of application fee submitted <input type="checkbox"/> Online interview (conducted immediately after online application submitted) <input type="checkbox"/> Official transcripts submitted from any and all institutions of higher education attended <sup>1</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> Three confidential professional reference forms provided (see website for form)	

<sup>1</sup> **FOREIGN TRANSCRIPTS** If applicant is presenting transcripts from a foreign country, transcripts must be fully translated by Foreign Credential Services of America (512.459.8428, [www.fcsa.biz](http://www.fcsa.biz)) showing degree and grade equivalency **AND** applicant is required to take the THEA exam.

<sup>2</sup> **THEA EXAM** <http://www.thea.nesinc.com>. The examination is a standardized test of reading, writing, and mathematics competency. The THEA is offered in two formats, written or computerized. To receive THEA registrations information call (512)927-5397. To obtain information regarding computerized testing call (512)927-5100 or visit <http://www.thea.nesinc.com>.