# ONLINE TEXES PREPARATION

How to help prepare students for the TExES exam via online preparation

• In the summer of 2011, 240Tutoring began working with iteachTEXAS, an online certification program, to identify if 240Tutoring helps future teachers pass their EC-6 Generalist exam.

In September 2012 we finished the study with found remarkable results.

#### **OUR STUDY**

- Our goal: Identify if using 240Tutoring helped iteachTEXAS students increase their EC-6 Generalist score.
- The demographic: Teachers enrolled in iteachTEXAS that had multiple EC-6 Generalist attempts and used 240Tutoring between attempts.

#### WHAT WE WANTED TO FIND OUT

- We wanted to find out three things:
  - 1) What is the "Immediate Pass Rate", or what is the passing rate one the first attempt after using 240Tutoring?
  - 2) What is the "Eventual Pass Rate", or what is the pass rate on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, or 4<sup>th</sup> attempt?
  - 3) What is the average score increase?
- We chose not to look solely at passing rates because passing rates can very depending on a variety of factors. If 240Tutoring helps students increase their scores, then the aggregate pass rate will be increased.

## COMPARISION- FINDING A BASELINE

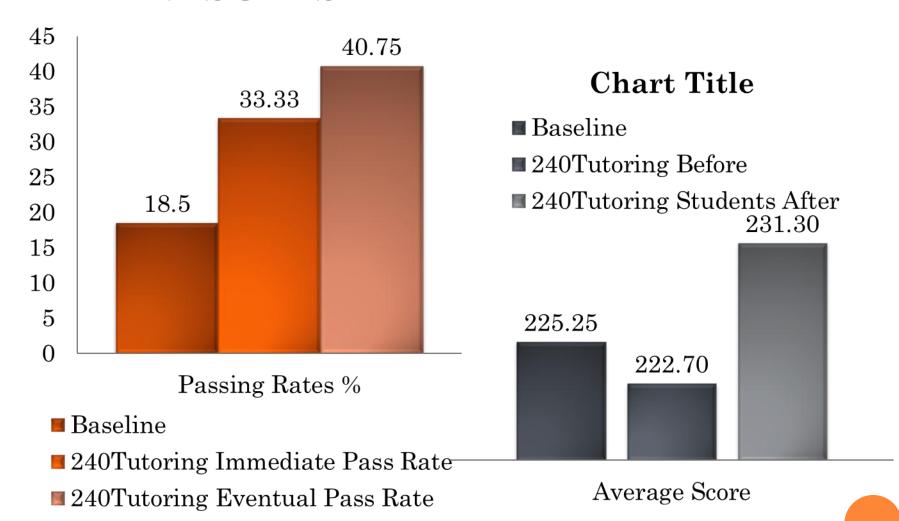
- From September 2010-August 2011 18.5% of iteachTEXAS candidates that failed the EC-6 Generalist went on the pass the exam.
- The average score of the failing examinees was 225.25.

Interpretation: ETS is very good, or very consistent, in measuring a test-taker's knowledge.

#### DATA HARVESTED

- An individual's most recent EC-6 Generalist attempt <u>prior</u> to using 240Tutoring
- The same individual's EC-6 Generalist attempts after using 240Tutoring
- We were able to identify 27 240Tutoring students that had identified themselves as iteachTEXAS candidates- mainly through the use of the Promo Code.

#### THE RESULTS



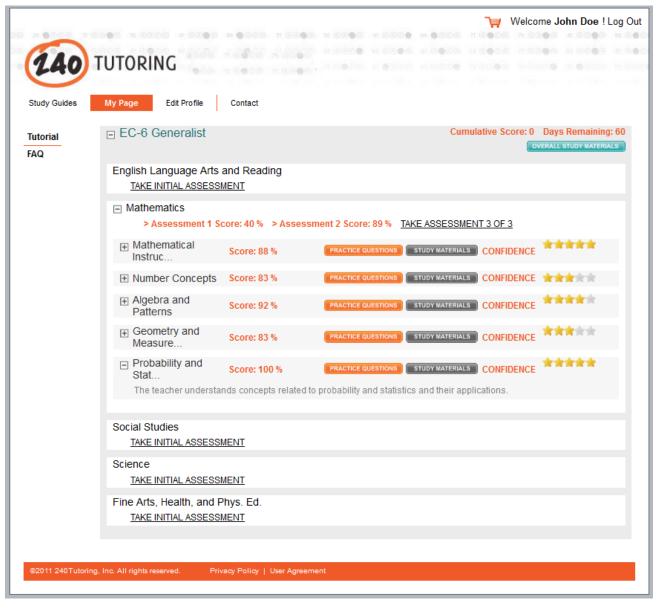
## RESULTS FROM USING 240TUTORING

- The aggregate pass rate for teachers re-taking the EC-6 Generalist increased from 18.5 % to 33.33%
- 40.75% would go on to pass the exam after additional attempts- an increase of 20.7%!
- The aggregate average score increased from 222.70 to 231.30
- We are very encouraged by a 8.5 increase in score and a passing rate increase of 14.80% because 240Tutoring is actually TEACHING teachers and increasing their content knowledge.

#### HOW WE DID IT- AND YOU CAN TO!

- Quality instructional resources
  - Instructional Content
  - Practice Questions
  - Assessment Feature
- Convenient studying
  - Our resources are completely online and accessible.
- Large resource library
  - Over 600 hundred practice questions
  - Over 225 pages of instructional content

#### 240TUTORING SCREEN SHOT



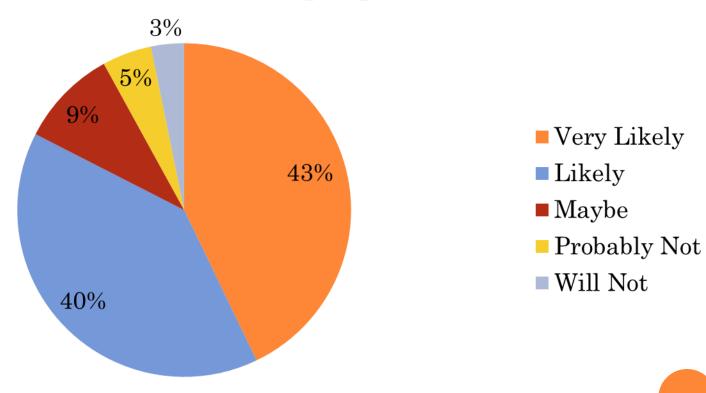
#### WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING?

- Did the study guide meet your expectations?
  - 87.3% said "Yes"



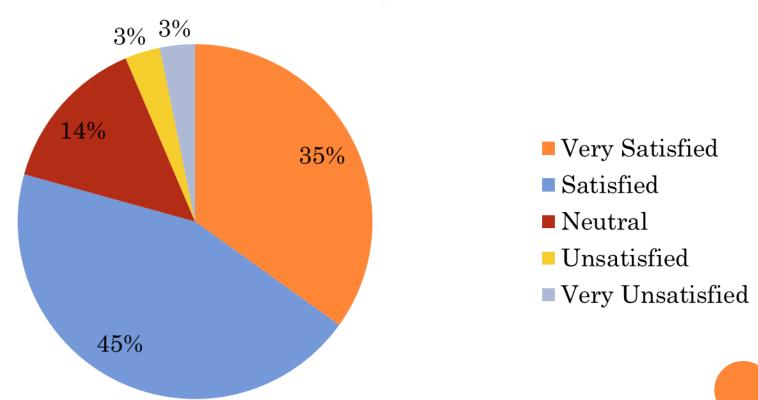
#### WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING

### How likely are you to refer to a friend or certification program?



#### WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING

### Overall, how satisfied are you with 240Tutoring?



#### HOW ELSE WE ARE HELPING STUDENTS

- Public test-specific information pages
  - These pages contain excerpts from our instructional content and practice questions.
  - They also have helping testing strategies, testing tips, and test-specific information- such as certain aspects of the test that might provide difficulty for test-takers.
- Recently added 8-12 Mathematics; 8-12 Social Studies coming soon.

#### HOW PROGRAMS CAN HELP

- Link to our website- make sure students can find the link.
- Provide brochures to students
- Give us information for our Test-Specific pages
- Purchases study guides for your students