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CalTPA: Frequently Asked Questions

Focus: Resubmitting After Not Passing a Cycle

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So you didn't pass a CalTPA cycle. Not to worry! You can resubmit, using the feedback you received in your score report. That feedback is based on all of the CalTPA rubrics. Those tell you exactly where your submission fell short of the standards. So, follow these simple steps to get your submission ready. Also review the FAQs below carefully.

Steps to resubmitting a cycle:

1. Review your score report carefully, with your original submission open at the same time. Are there places where you could add additional detail? Start with the sections where you earned 1s and 2s, and work your way up from there.
2. Review the FAQs (page 2 of this PDF) carefully.
3. Review the rubrics for the sections you are focusing on. Make sure that you've met the criteria for a Level 3 at least (think of those criteria as a checklist). Even if you meet some of the criteria for a 4 or 5, if you have not met the criteria for a 3, you will not earn a 3.
4. If you feel you need it, make an appointment with one of the CalTPA coordinators to discuss your resubmission. The coordinators can provide some coaching assistance. They cannot review your submission and give you a potential score, but they can answer your questions and help you figure out next steps. Below are the coordinators and the programs they serve:
 - a. Single Subject, ICP & Middle Level Programs:
Suzi (svansteenbergen@csusm.edu)
 - b. Multiple Subject & Concurrent Programs:
Wendy (wheredia@csusm.edu)
5. Revise your submissions. Be sure to save them in a new location or with new file names so you don't accidentally re-submit your original documents a second time. This would cause you to fail the assessment, and you would likely NOT get the \$150 retake fee back.
6. Submit and wait for good news!

Resubmitting a CalTPA Cycle	
Do I need to pay the \$150 again?	Yes.
Where do I resubmit	In the same place as you originally submitted: http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CalTPA_TestPage.html
Is my submission re-scored overall, or just the parts where I didn't do well?	The entire submission is re-scored by a new assessor, as if it were an original submission.
Do I have to write a new lesson plan?	Most likely, no. The only caveat is that if the portions where you earned 1s are the video recorded lesson (Rubrics 5 & 6 for Cycle 1), then you <i>may</i> need to re-record, depending on the nature of the feedback you received. Consult with a TPA coordinator to determine the best course of action.
So I can revise my original submission, and use that?	Yes! The key is to make sure you're including the right evidence for each of the rubrics, <i>including the areas in which you received a "passing score."</i>
Do I need to submit all of the documents for the resubmission?	Yes. You will be treating this like a full submission. So this includes all of your templates, videos, annotations, etc. Remember you will want to treat this as a completely new submission as you will have a new assessor.
I'm multiple subject. If I did math for my first attempt, can I switch to literacy for the retake?	You can do that, but it would require writing an entirely new lesson plan, recording it, etc. You would also want to make sure that your other Cycle is in the other subject (math or literacy, depending). Consult with a TPA coordinator before taking this route.