(a) **TEACHER ELIGIBILITY:** The *Visual Arts Scholastic Event* shall be open only to full time students in grades 9-12 in all Texas public, private, charter or homeschools. The sponsor teacher must be a current member of TAEA and accept the responsibility of students, procedures, and entries. A school may participate in VASE whether or not a formal art program is in place on the campus. A school or district may purchase a TAEA Institutional Membership. This membership will allow 3 *properly designated* teachers to participate in VASE activities for one calendar year. A separate TAEA Institutional Membership number must be assigned to each *designated teacher/sponsor*. It is prohibited for a member teacher to register any other teacher’s students with their TAEA number. A TAEA member/teacher may enter student artwork produced under their direct supervision as long as the student is not also working on that same artwork under a nonmember’s supervision. A violation of this rule will result in disqualification of the TAEA member’s students, and the second art teacher’s students.

(b) **STUDENT ELIGIBILITY:** All participating students must be academically eligible on the day of the VASE event, in accordance with the TEA UIL Side by Side Academic

Requirements (***No Pass/No Play***) TEC 33.08C. A student need not be enrolled in an art class to have his/her work considered for submission but must be supervised and sponsored by a TAEA member teacher or administrator. Participating students must be enrolled in the sponsoring school for 30 calendar days prior to the Regional Event. Artwork entered in a Regional Event and advancing to State will automatically be entered in the State Event and is subject to rules, procedures and fees that apply at the State Event.

**Uil Eligibility dates for 2014**

For Mansfield District and districts that are ending their semester after the holiday break we will be determining eligibility by the 3rd 6 week grade. Students may regain but not lose eligibility on the 3rd week progress report grade (eligibility regained Feb 14th midnight).

For those districts that end before the holiday, I will need you to check with your uil people to figure out you specific dates. If you want to send me a copy of your uil calendar, I would appreciate it and look it over for you.