



Test Requirements  
For Beginning Teachers,  
Specialists and Administrators

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**Applicants may meet the testing requirement by submitting either individual qualifying scores on Praxis I or a composite score that is at or above the state qualifying score on Praxis I, ACT, SAT, or GRE.**

**BASIC SKILLS ASSESSMENTS** (*Note* : All beginning teachers in all content areas MUST take either Praxis I, ACT, SAT, or GRE).

TEST REQUIRED - Pre-Professional Skills Tests (PPST/CPPST)	TEST CODE	MD SCORE	COMPOSITE SCORE	
PPST Reading <b>or</b> Computerized PPST Reading	0710 5710	177	527	
PPST Writing <b>or</b> Computerized PPST Writing	0720 5720	173		
PPST Mathematics <b>or</b> Computerized PPST Mathematics	0730 5730	177		
ACT				24
SAT Prior to April, 1995 (math and verbal)				1000
SAT After April, 1995 (math and verbal or math and critical reading)				1100
GRE (quantitative and verbal)			1000	

**PRAXIS II: SUBJECT AREA ASSESSMENTS** (C = Content; P = Pedagogy)

CERTIFICATION AREA	TEST REQUIRED		TEST CODE	MD SCORE	COMPOSITE SCORE
Art	Art: Content and Analysis	C	0135	161	527
Biology	Biology: Content Knowledge	C	0235	150	
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157	
Business Education	Business Education	C	0101	154	
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157	
Chemistry	Chemistry: Content Knowledge	C	0245	153	
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157	
Early Childhood	Early Childhood: Content Knowledge or Early Childhood: Content Knowledge (computer delivered)	C	0022	160	
		C	5022	160	
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Early Childhood	P	0621	157	
Earth/Space	Earth Science: Content Knowledge	C	0571	152	
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157	
Elementary Education	Elementary Education: Content Knowledge (computer delivered)	C	5015	161	
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades K-6	P	0622	160	
English	English Language, Literature and Composition: Content & Analysis	C	0044	166	
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157	
ESOL	English to Speakers of Other Languages	C	0361	149	
Family/Consumer Sciences	Family and Consumer Sciences	C	0121	159	
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157	
French	World Language: French (computer delivered)	C	5174	162	
	World Language: Pedagogy *	P	0841	158	
Geography	Social Studies: Content & Interpretation	C	0086	153	
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157	
German	World Language: German (computer delivered)	C	5183	163	
	World Language: Pedagogy *	P	0841	158	
Health	Health Education	C	0550	630	
History	Social Studies: Content & Interpretation	C	0086	153	
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157	
Latin	Latin	C	0600	610	
	World Language: Pedagogy *	P	0841	157	

**PRAXIS II: SUBJECT AREA ASSESSMENTS (continued)**

CERTIFICATION AREA	TEST REQUIRED	TEST CODE	MD SCORE	COMPOSITE SCORE
Mathematics	Mathematics: Content Knowledge	C	0061	141
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157
Music	Music: Content Knowledge and	C	0113	154
	Music: Analysis	C	0112	147
Physical Education	Physical Education: Content & Design	C	0095	169
Physical Science	Chemistry, Physics and General Science	C	0070	520
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157
Physics	Physics: Content Knowledge	C	0265	143
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157
Political Science	Social Studies: Content & Interpretation	C	0086	153
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157
Social Studies	Social Studies: Content & Interpretation	C	0086	153
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157
Spanish	World Language: Spanish (computer delivered)	C	5195	168
	World Language: Pedagogy *	P	0841	158
Special Education	Special Education: Core Content Knowledge & Applications	C	0354/5354	151
Technology Education	Technology Education	C	0051	159
	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157
Theatre	Theatre	C	0640	560
	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 7-12	P	0624	157

**MIDDLE SCHOOL (Two content tests required if graduating from an approved dual program).**

Middle School	Middle School: English/Language Arts or	C	0049	160
	Middle School: English/Language Arts (computer delivered)	C	5049	160
	Middle School: Mathematics	C	0069	152
	Middle School: Science	C	0439	145
	Middle School: Social Studies or	C	0089	154
	Middle School: Social Studies (computer delivered)	C	5089	154
	Principles of Learning & Teaching : Grades 5-9*	P	0623	160

**AMERICAN COUNCIL ON TEACHING OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES (ACTFL) Both OPI and WPT may be completed in lieu of the Praxis Content Assessment for French, German, and Spanish. Principles of Learning & Teaching (0841) is the required pedagogy a**

Italian	Italian Oral Proficiency Interview and	C	Intermediate High
	Italian Written Proficiency Test	C	Intermediate High
Chinese Mandarin	Chinese Oral Proficiency Interview and	C	Intermediate High
	Chinese Written Proficiency Test	C	Intermediate High
Japanese	Japanese Oral Proficiency Interview and	C	Intermediate High
	Japanese Written Proficiency Test	C	Intermediate High
Russian	Russian Oral Proficiency Interview and	C	Intermediate High
	Russian Written Proficiency Test	C	Intermediate High
Arabic	Arabic Oral Proficiency Interview and	C	Intermediate High
	Arabic Written Proficiency Test and	C	Intermediate High

\* Pedagogy is not required for graduates of approved teacher preparation programs; this is a requirement only for candidates completing certification through transcript analysis and alternative preparation programs.

**PRAXIS II: Continued**

CERTIFICATION AREA	TEST REQUIRED	TEST CODE	MD SCORE	COMPOSITE SCORE
<b>School Psychologist</b>				
School Psychologist	School Psychologist	0401	161	
<b>SCHOOL LEADERSHIP SERIES (SLLA)</b>				
Administrator II	School Leaders Licensure Assessment	1011	165	
<b>READING OPTION : Applicants or current certificate holders with certification in early childhood, elementary, or special education at the early childhood or elementary levels may test out of the reading requirement ( 12 semester hours) by meeting the qualifying score on this assessment.)</b>				
Reading	Reading Across the Curriculum	0201/5201	173	

**TEST/TEST SCORE CHANGES**

**Applicants must meet current qualifying scores at the time of application for certification. Qualifying scores for assessments are subject to change without notice; assessments are also subject to change without notice. Check the MSDE website: MSDE no longer accepts NTE scores unless accompanied by a valid, professional out-of-state licence/ certificate.**