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TO: All Individuals and Groups Interested in the Activities
Of the Commission on Teacher Credentialing

FROM: John F. Brown, Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: 1985-86 Dates, Examination Fees and Registration Procedures
for Examinations Required by the Commission on Teacher
Credentialing

This Coded Correspondence is intended to set forth the schedules, fees and registration procedures for all the examinations required by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for the academic year 1985-86. The information is summarized in a Table at the end of the memorandum. There are a number of details related to the various administration dates; however, you are cautioned against relying only on the Table for pertinent information. The text should be consulted for the particular test or administration date in which you or others might be interested.

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CALIFORNIA BASIC EDUCATIONAL SKILLS TEST (CBEST)

Who Should Take the Test

This test must be passed for the issuance of a first teaching credential, a service credential, and for an Emergency Credential if the applicant does not already hold a valid California credential. Applicants for health services credentials, for credentials to teach non-academic subjects in adult education programs, for credentials in certain designated subjects, and for Children's Center Permits for which the baccalaureate degree is not required are exempt from this requirement.

The test must also be passed to qualify for employment in certain circumstances.

Applicants for admission to a professional preparation program approved by the Commission are required to take the test for diagnostic purposes. Some of the programs may have additional CBEST requirements.

Once the test has been passed, it need not be retaken again for the issuance of any credential or for employment. The passing scores are good for the life of the examinee. If passing scores are obtained on one or more sections of the test, the examinee cannot be required to repeat these sections.

Test Dates, Fees, and Registration Procedures

Test dates. The test will be administered on:

July 13, 1985	February 15, 1986
August 10, 1985	April 12, 1986
October 5, 1985	June 14, 1986
December 14, 1985	August 9, 1986

Test fees. The fee for this test is \$32.

Test registration. The procedures and form needed to register for the test will be provided in the 1985-86 Information Bulletin, which will also include all of the questions and essay topics from one previously used form of the CBEST with graded essay responses. A supply of these bulletins will be available in late June, in school district and county personnel offices, and in the testing offices of four-year colleges or universities having programs that qualify people for credentials, certificates or permits. Additional information on registration deadlines and late registration fees is given in the table on page 9.

NTE COMMON EXAMINATIONS (MULTIPLE SUBJECTS CREDENTIAL)

The NTE Common Examinations are no longer offered. Passing scores obtained on the three required sections of this test (Written English Expression; Social Studies, Literature and Fine Arts; and Science and Mathematics) will be accepted by the Commission for a period of five years from the date the scores were obtained, however.

The required passing scores are shown on page 12.

NTE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE TEST OF THE CORE BATTERY (MULTIPLE SUBJECTS CREDENTIAL)

Who Should Take the Test

The subject matter requirement for the Multiple Subjects Credential may be met by obtaining a passing score on the General Knowledge Test of the NTE Core Battery. It is not necessary to take any other tests in the NTE Core Battery for the issuance of a credential. The passing score is 660.

This means of satisfying the subject matter requirement is used by credential applicants who have not completed an approved subject matter program in a California institution, or who do not apply for a credential on the basis of reciprocity with another state.

Applicants for a Teacher Trainee Certificate are required to pass the appropriate NTE Specialty Area Test as evidence of subject matter preparation in the area he/she wishes to teach. Requirements for this Certificate were discussed in Coded Correspondence 83-8435.

Some California colleges and universities may require that the General Knowledge Test be passed as a condition for admission to a teacher preparation program, or as a condition of admission to student teaching if a person has not completed an approved subject matter preparation program. Information about this possible test requirement should be obtained from the appropriate Department or School of Education office.

Test Dates and Fees

This test will be offered at three national administrations (October 26, 1985, April 5, 1986, and June 28, 1986), and two special statewide administrations (June 22, 1985 and January 18, 1986). The various registration deadlines are shown on page 9.

The test fee for taking just the General Knowledge part of the Core Battery is \$25.00 regardless of whether it is taken at a national administration or at the January 1986 special statewide administration. If it is taken at the June 1985 special statewide administration, the fee will be \$35.00. Surcharges for late registration are shown on page 9.

Registration Procedures

The registration procedures are different for each of the two kinds of administrations (National and special statewide). These are discussed separately in the paragraphs below.

National administrations. Registration for the national administrations may be completed using forms included in the 1985-86 Bulletin of Information for the National Teacher Examinations. Copies of this Bulletin may be obtained from the testing office of any college or university offering teacher preparation programs.

In California, test registration may also be completed using Ticketron up until the day before the test administration. The Information Bulletin gives complete details for Ticketron registration, and should be consulted prior to

attempting to register by this means. There is no additional charge for Ticketron registration, but applicants should register early to insure that space will be available at the desired test center.

Special statewide administrations. Registration for the special statewide administrations may be initiated by contacting one of the test centers listed on page 13 to reserve a place for the administration. Test fees are to be paid by check or money order on the day of the test administration; cash cannot be accepted at the test center. Registration by Ticketron is not possible for those special administrations.

It should be noted that at the Special Administrations in June 1985 and January 1986, the General Knowledge Test will be administered in the morning of the scheduled date, and the Specialty Area Tests will be administered in the afternoon of the same date. Only the General Knowledge Test of the Core Battery will be administered on these dates. It will not be possible to take any other tests from the Core Battery at these Special Statewide Administrations.

NTE SPECIALTY AREA TESTS (SINGLE SUBJECT CREDENTIALS)

Who Should Take the Test

The subject matter requirement for a Single Subject Credential may be met by obtaining a passing score on the appropriate NTE Specialty Area Test. This means of satisfying the requirement is used by credential applicants who have not completed an approved subject matter program in a California institution. The required passing scores are listed on page 12.

Test Dates, Fees, and Registration Procedures

The Specialty Area Tests will be offered at three national administrations (November 9, 1985, April 19, 1986 and July 12, 1986) and two special statewide administrations (June 22, 1985 and January 18, 1986). More detail on registration dates is given on page 10.

The test fee for the national administrations and the January 1986 special statewide administration is \$33.00 for one test. The fee for the July 1985 administration is \$43.00 for one test.

The registration procedures for the two kinds of administrations are the same as those described above for the NTE General Knowledge Test.

CLEP ENGLISH COMPOSITION WITH ESSAY (SINGLE SUBJECT-ENGLISH CREDENTIAL)

Who Should Take the Test

The CLEP English Composition with Essay Test is now required only of applicants for the Single Subject-English Credential who satisfy the subject matter requirements by examination. This CLEP test is considered to be a part of

the subject matter requirement for this credential. The required passing score is 680.

Applicants for credentials other than the Single Subject-English Credential are no longer required to take this test. Obtaining a passing score on the CBEST, which is now required of initial teaching and service credential applicants, will satisfy the writing proficiency requirement for any other credential.

Those people who received a one year preliminary credential to teach subjects other than English, prior to February 1, 1983, do not have to take the CBEST, but will have to satisfy the writing proficiency requirement for the credential. They may do so by passing either the CBEST Writing Test or the CLEP English Composition with Essay Test. The CLEP passing score for these credential applicants is 630.

Test Dates and Fees

This test will be administered during the third week of the months of October 1985, and January, April and June of 1986. The calendar dates are shown on page 10.

The test fee is \$30.00. There are no late registration surcharges, but registration must be completed four weeks prior to the date of the administration.

Registration Procedures

Those needing or wishing to register for this test may do so by using the registration form included in Moving Ahead with CLEP. This publication may be obtained from the testing offices of most California universities and colleges, or by writing to CLEP, CN6600, Princeton, N.J. 08541-6600.

The requirement that those who fail the CLEP test must wait six months before retaking it has been waived for those taking the test for a teaching credential.

BILINGUAL CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE EXAMINATION - SPANISH

Who Must Take the Test

Applicants for a Bilingual Certificate of Competence in Spanish must obtain passing scores on each of the three components of this examination: Culture and History; Methodology; and Language Proficiency in English and Spanish.

A person who has previously obtained a passing score on any of the components need NOT repeat that, or those, component(s) on the examination. Only the components that have not been passed at any time need be repeated. Information on the passing scores on the current examination may be obtained from the Bilingual Testing Service at the address shown at the end of this section.

Test Dates, Fees, and Registration Procedures

This examination will be administered on the following dates:

June 15, 1985	January 25, 1986
August 10, 1985	March 26, 1986
October 19, 1985	June 7, 1986
December 14, 1985	

Registration deadlines are approximately three weeks prior to the date of the administration for which the registration is being submitted. The detailed dates are shown on page 11.

The fee for the total examination is \$120. The fee for taking any of the components is \$46, except that if only the English or only the Spanish parts of the language components is taken the fee will be \$42.

Registration material is included in the Information Bulletin for the examination, which also includes a description of the test and sample questions. An Information Bulletin may be obtained from the Testing Office of any of the test centers listed on page 12 or, from: Bilingual Testing Service, University of Southern California, WPU 1002, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0031, (213) 743-6216 or (213) 743-6267.

BILINGUAL CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE EXAMINATION-
LANGUAGES OTHER THAN SPANISH

An examination that covers Culture and History, Methodology, and Language Proficiency must be passed to obtain a Bilingual Certificate of Competence in each of a number of languages other than Spanish. Each of these examinations is developed and administered by one or more assessor agencies.

Details on test dates, fees, administration arrangements and passing standards should be obtained from the appropriate agency as listed below:

<u>Language(s)</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Contact Person/Telephone No.</u>
Armenian	University of La Verne	(714) 593-0513
Cambodian Pilipino Vietnamese	San Diego State University	Dr. Alberto Ochoa (415) 451-6656
Cantonese Tagalog	National Hispanic University	Mr. Isadoro Duenes (415) 451-0511
Cantonese	San Francisco Unified School District	Ms. Ligaya Avenida (415) 239-0168
Cantonese Japanese Korean Mandarin Pilipino Vietnamese	University of Southern California	Ms. Rebecca Salazar (213) 743-6267
Hmong Portuguese	Merced County Superin- tendent of Schools	Dr. Frank Morales (209) 723-2031

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST EXAMINATION

Who Must Take the Test

Applicants for the Language Development Specialist Certificate must pass an examination developed to assess the knowledge and competence appropriate for this certificate. In order to qualify to take the examination, an applicant must hold a valid California teaching credential, and must satisfy certain program or teaching experience requirements.

Test Dates, Fees, and Administration Arrangements

This examination will be administered on July 27 and November 16, 1985 and March 29 and July 25, 1986. Information on registration deadlines is given on page 11.

The entire examination must be taken until at least one section has been passed. The fee for taking the entire examination is \$120. The fee for taking only the Objective Section is \$42; the fee for taking only the Integrative Section is \$90.

The examination is generally administered in three areas of the State: San Francisco Bay Area, Central San Joaquin Valley, and Los Angeles-Orange County Area.

Test Registration

A description of the test, examination eligibility requirements, and registration procedures are provided in an LDS Examination Bulletin of Information. Copies of the Bulletin may be obtained from LDS Examination, Commission on Teacher Credentialing, P.O. Box 1883, Sacramento, CA 95814-1883 or by calling (916) 445-3224.

BILINGUAL ASSESSMENT COMPETENCE EXAMINATION

An examination that must be passed to receive a Certificate of Bilingual Assessment Competence will be offered one or more times during 1985-86. This examination is still being developed, and detailed information on test dates, fees, and administration is not yet available. This information will be provided through separate Coded Correspondence as soon as it is available.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NEEDS

If there are unanswered questions about test requirements, dates, fees or registration procedures, the sources shown below may be consulted as appropriate to the particular information need.

Test Requirements for a Credential

A Credential Officer in a school district or in the office of the county superintendent of schools or at a college or university offering an approved examination waiver program, or

The Commission on Teacher Credentialing
1020 O Street
Sacramento, CA 95814 (916) 445-7254

CBEST Information Bulletins, Registration, and Special Center Arrangements

CBEST Program
Educational Testing Service
1947 Center Street
Berkeley, CA 94704
(415) 849-0950

National Teacher Examinations Bulletins, Registration or Special Centers

NTE Programs
Educational Testing Service

815 Colorado Blvd, Suite 606
Los Angeles, CA 90041
(213) 258-8222

1947 Center Street
Berkeley, CA 94704
(415) 849-0950

Rosedale Road
Princeton, NJ 08541
(609) 734-5293

College Level Examination Program Information Bulletins and Registration

College Board
2700 Augustine Drive, Suite 228
Santa Clara, CA 95051
(408) 727-0406

Bilingual Certificate of Competence Examination Information Bulletins and Registration

Bilingual Testing Service
University of Southern California
WPU 1002
Los Angeles, CA 90089-0031
(213) 743-6216 or (213) 743-6267

Language Development Specialist Examination

LDS Examination
Commission on Teacher Credentialing
P.O. Box 1883
Sacramento, CA 95814-1883
(916) 445-3224

TEST DATES, DEADLINES, AND FEES FOR EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED BY THE CALIFORNIA
COMMISSION ON TEACHER CREDENTIALING

	Test Dates	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	Test Fee
CALIFORNIA BASIC EDUCATIONAL SKILLS TEST (CBEST)				
	July 13, 1985	June 17, 1985	June 21, 1985	\$32 Regular registration
	August 10, 1985	July 15, 1985	July 19, 1985	\$35 Late registration
	October 5, 1985	September 9, 1985	September 16, 1985	
	December 14, 1985	November 18, 1985	November 22, 1985	
	February 15, 1986	January 20, 1986	January 24, 1986	
	April 12, 1986	March 17, 1986	March 24, 1986	
	June 14, 1986	May 19, 1986	May 23, 1986	
	August 9, 1986	July 14, 1986	July 21, 1986	

NTE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE TEST OF THE CORE BATTERY

Special statewide administration	June 22, 1985	May 31, 1985	Not applicable	\$35
National administration	October 26, 1985	September 27, 1985	October 4, 1985*	\$25 Regular registration *\$38 Late registration
Special statewide administration	January 18, 1986	December 27, 1985	Not applicable	\$25
National administration	April 5, 1986	March 7, 1986	March 14, 1986*	\$25 Regular registration *\$38 Late registration
National administration	June 28, 1986	June 6, 1986	June 13, 1986*	\$25 Regular registration *\$38 Late registration

*The Late Registration Deadline and fee do not apply to Ticketron registration. Applicants registering by Ticketron should do so as early as possible, however, to insure availability of space and test materials.

TEST DATES, DEADLINES AND FEES (continued)

	Test Dates	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	Test Fee
NTE SPECIALTY AREA TESTS				
Special statewide administration	June 22, 1985 (p.m.)	May 31, 1985	Not applicable	\$43
National Administration	November 9, 1985	October 11, 1985	October 18, 1985*	\$33 Regular registration \$46 Late registration
Special statewide administration	January 18, 1986 (p.m.)	December 27, 1985	Not applicable	\$33
National Administration	April 19, 1986	March 21, 1986	March 28, 1986*	\$33 Regular registration *\$46 Late registration
National Administration	July 12, 1986	June 13, 1986	June 20, 1986	\$33 Regular registration \$46 Late registration

CLEP ENGLISH COMPOSITION WITH ESSAY

October 14-19, 1985	Four weeks prior to administration	\$30
January 13-18, 1986	Four weeks prior to administration	\$30
April 14-19, 1986	Four weeks prior to administration	\$30
June 16-21, 1986	Four weeks prior to administration	\$30

* The Late Registration Deadline and fee do not apply to Ticketron registration. Applicants registering by Ticketron should do so as early as possible, however, to insure the availability of space and test materials.

TEST DATES, DEADLINES AND FEES (continued)

Test Dates	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	Test Fee
BILINGUAL CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE EXAMINATION			
June 15, 1985	May 24, 1985	May 31, 1985	\$120 for total test
August 10, 1985	July 19, 1985	July 26, 1985	\$46 for any one component
October 19, 1985	September 27, 1985	October 4, 1985	\$42 if only the English or Spanish parts of the language component is taken
December 14, 1985	November 22, 1985	November 29, 1985	
January 25, 1986	January 3, 1986	January 10, 1986	\$5 Surcharge for late registration
March 26, 1986	March 5, 1986	March 12, 1986	
June 7, 1986	May 16, 1986	May 23, 1986	

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST EXAMINATION

July 27, 1985	June 28, 1985	Not applicable	\$120 for total test
November 16, 1985	October 18, 1985	Not applicable	\$42 for objective
March 29, 1986	February 20, 1986	Not applicable	\$90 for Integrative
July 25, 1986	June 27, 1986	Not applicable	

ESTABLISHED PASSING SCORES FOR EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED BY THE
CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON TEACHER CREDENTIALING

The scores required in 1985-86 to pass the various examinations used by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing will not be changed from those in effect in the 1984-85 academic year. No appeals from these passing score requirements are possible.

The required passing scores are shown below.

● CALIFORNIA BASIC EDUCATIONAL SKILLS TEST (CBEST)

A total score of 123, with no part score (Reading, Mathematics or Writing) below 37.

● NTE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE TEST 660

Date of Examination	
August 1, 1979- July 31, 1980	August 1, 1980- or Later

● NTE COMMON EXAMINATIONS

Written English Expression	61	60
Social Science, Literature & Fine Arts	63	62
Science & Mathematics	62	62

● NTE SPECIALTY AREA TESTS

Agriculture (Formula Score)	75	75
Art Education	630	620
Biology & General Science	680	680
Business Education	640	630
Chemistry, Physics, & General Science	630	630
English Language & Literature	620	620
French	670	680
German	630	630
Home Economics Education	650	650
Industrial Arts Education	630	640
Mathematics	670	630
Music Education	630	620
Physical Education (Feb. 1976 to present)	640	640
Social Studies	630	630
Spanish	650	650
Reading Specialist/Miller-Unruh	630	630
Introduction to the Teaching of Reading	680	680

● CLEP ENGLISH COMPOSITION WITH ESSAY

Single Subject-English Credential	680	680
All Other Credentials	630	630

Note: Scores may be used to meet credential requirements for five years from the date the test was taken. Anyone tested during 1979-80 who obtained scores that were lower than the passing score at that time but are at or above the current passing score may appeal to the Commission for qualification by the current standards.

- For CBEST and NTE, the test centers are listed in the Information Bulletins, which also contain registration materials.
- The following test centers have been established for the June 1985 SPECIAL STATEWIDE ADMINISTRATIONS of the NTE General Knowledge and Specialty Area Tests. Most of these test centers will probably administer the tests in January 1986 as well, but this is not definite.

Arcata, Humboldt State University (707) 826-3611
Bakersfield, CSC Bakersfield (805) 833-2131
Blythe, Palo Verdes High School (619) 922-4094
Calexico, San Diego State University (619) 357-3721, X44
Carson, CSU Dominguez Hills (213) 516-3909
Chico, CSU Chico (916) 895-6218
Costa Mesa, Southern California College (714) 556-3610
Fresno, CSU Fresno (209) 294-2457
Fullerton, CSU Fullerton (714) 773-3121
Glendale, Glendale Community Coll. (213) 258-8222**
Irvine, UC Irvine (714) 856-5117
Long Beach, Brooks College (213) 597-6611, X288
Los Angeles, University of So. California (213) 743-7308
Moraga, Saint Mary's College (415) 849-0950*
Riverside, UC Riverside (714) 787-5531
Sacramento, CSU Sacramento (916) 454-6296
San Bernardino, CSC San Bernardino (714) 887-7437
San Diego, San Diego State University (619) 265-5216
San Francisco, San Francisco State Univ. (415) 469-2271
Santa Barbara, UC Santa Barbara (805) 961-2036 or 2084
Santa Clara, University of Santa Clara (408) 984-4172
Stanford, Stanford University (415) 497-4891
Seattle (WA), Seattle Pacific University (206) 281-2214 or 283-5752
Stockton, University of the Pacific (209) 946-2559
Turlock, CSC Stanislaus (209) 667-3157

Sunday administration for Saturday Sabbath observers:

Angwin, Pacific Union College (707) 965-7364
Riverside, Loma Linda University (714) 785-2079

* This is the telephone number for the Educational Testing Service in Berkeley which is handling the registration for this one test site.

** This is the telephone number for the Educational Testing Service in Los Angeles, which is handling the registration for this one test site.

- For the CLEP ENGLISH COMPOSITION WITH ESSAY test, the list of the test centers where the test is to be administered may be obtained from the Testing Office of nearly all California colleges and universities.

- The BILINGUAL CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE EXAMINATION-SPANISH will be administered at the following test centers on the testing dates indicated.

	TEST DATES						
	6/15/85	8/10/85	10/19/85	12/14/85	1/25/86	3/26/86	6/07/86
University of Southern California	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
California State University, Fullerton	X	X		X	X	X	X
University of San Francisco		X	X			X	
San Jose State University	X		X		X		X
San Diego State University	X	X		X	X	X	X
University of California, Santa Barbara	X	X		X	X		X
Sacramento State University	X	X			X		X
California State University, Bakersfield	X		X		X		X
California State University, Fresno		X		X		X	