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## **BASIC SKILLS REQUIREMENT**

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### **Introduction**

The California Education Code and Title 5 Regulations specify, in most cases, that applicants for a credential, certificate, or permit to serve in the public schools of California must verify basic skills proficiency before the credential, certificate, or permit will be issued. For Preliminary Teaching Credential candidates, the basic skills requirement must be met prior to serving as an intern. However, institutions may require the basic skills requirement prior to program enrollment. Contact the college or university education department for more information

The basic skills requirement may also be required as a condition of employment. Applicants should contact the school district where they are considering employment for more information.

### **Options for Meeting the Basic Skills Requirement**

Individuals may satisfy the basic skills requirement by one of the following methods:

#### **1. Pass the CBEST**

Individuals only need to pass The California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST) once; CBEST passing scores remain valid indefinitely for all credential and employment purposes. To pass the CBEST, one must obtain a minimum scaled score of 41 in each of the three sections—reading, writing, and mathematics. However, a score as low as 37 on an individual section is acceptable if the total scaled score is at least 123.

Any or all sections of the CBEST can be repeated as many times as necessary to obtain a passing score, but the full registration fee is charged for each test administration. See [www.ctcexams.nesinc.com](http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com) for more information.

#### **2. Pass the CSET: Multiple Subjects Plus Writing Skills Examination**

The California Subject Examinations for Teachers (CSET): Multiple Subjects examination has been modified, adding an assessment of basic writing skills. Passage of the CSET: Writing Skills examination (test #142) can be added to passage of the CSET: Multiple Subjects Examination (subtests #101, 214, & 103) to meet the basic skills requirement. Passing exam scores used to meet the basic skills requirement only remain valid indefinitely. See [www.ctcexams.nesinc.com](http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com) for more information.

#### **3. Pass the CSU Early Assessment Program or the CSU Placement Examinations**

Passing scores on the California State University (CSU) Early Assessment Program (EAP) (English and Mathematics sections) or the CSU Placement Examinations (English Placement Test [EPT] and Entry Level Mathematics [ELM]) are sufficient to meet the basic skills requirement. See [Coded Correspondence 09-03](#) for additional information. Passing exam scores remain valid indefinitely for the purpose of meeting the basic skills requirement. See Appendix Table 1 for passing scores.\*\*

#### **4. Achieve Qualifying Score on the SAT or ACT**

Previously, individuals having earned a score of 500 or higher on the Critical Reading (previously Verbal) section of the SAT exam combined with a score of 550 or higher on the SAT Mathematics exam are determined to have met the basic skills requirement.

A restructuring of the SAT Suite of Assessments has adjusted the qualifying scores on the revised Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and Mathematics examinations required to meet the basic skills requirement. The new scores listed have been deemed by the College Board as equivalent to the scores shown for the examinations as administered prior to this revision.

An individual having earned a score of 22 or higher on the ACT English exam combined with a score of 23 or higher on the ACT Mathematics exam is determined to have met the basic skills requirement. See Appendix Tables 2-4.

#### **5. College Board Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations**

As noted in [Coded Correspondence 15-03](#), students who achieve a score of 3 or higher on the College Board AP English exam and AP Calculus or AP Statistics exam may also use these exam scores to meet the basic skills requirement. See Appendix Table 5 for how the scores may be applied.

#### **6. Pass a Basic Skills Examination from Another State**

The Commission will accept basic skills examinations from other states. A photocopy of the score report or letter from the testing agency verifying passage of the examination must be submitted with the application packet. There is no recency requirement for the date the examination was passed. See the chart *Out-of-State Basic Skills Exams Guide* in the Appendix at the end of this leaflet for a listing of acceptable examinations from other states.

### **Submitting Scores to the Commission**

Individuals filing applications directly to the Commission using the CSU, SAT/ACT, or AP exams to meet the basic skills requirement must submit original passing score reports with their application packet. Scores posted only on high school transcripts are not acceptable. Commission-approved program sponsors or local employing agencies may submit a photocopy of the score report as long as the program sponsor or agency has verified it actually received from the educator an original score report, not a scanned or PDF copy.

### **Obtaining Duplicate Score Reports**

#### **For CSU Placement Tests (EAP, ELM, EPT)**

Effective October 1, 2017, the English Placement Test (EPT) and Entry-Level Mathematics Exam (ELM) are discontinued. As of September 30, 2019, Educational Testing Systems (ETS) no longer provides these test results ([https://www.ets.org/csu/about/?WT.ac=csu\\_38419\\_scores\\_results](https://www.ets.org/csu/about/?WT.ac=csu_38419_scores_results)).

#### **For SAT/AP/ACT**

The testing agencies maintain files of test scores taken within the last few years online. Check the testing agency's website for details if you completed one of these examinations recently. These agencies also maintain an archive of test results that date back for decades. For a fee, you can request a copy of your archived test scores for each of these examinations.

Archived SAT scores may be requested by mail or by telephone. Check the College Board website for the Archived Score Report Order Form or phone ordering directions and current duplicate report fees using this link: <https://sat.collegeboard.org/scores/send-old-sat-scores>.

Information from the College Board on obtaining archived AP exam scores and the Archived AP Scores Request Form may be found using this link: <https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/help#faq56>.

Information on obtaining archived ACT scores online, by phone, or by mail may be found using this link: [http://testprep.about.com/od/actfaq/ht/Old\\_ACT\\_Scores.htm](http://testprep.about.com/od/actfaq/ht/Old_ACT_Scores.htm).

## Combining Examination Scores

Generally, as described in [Coded Correspondence 09-03](#), there is no mixing and matching of different sections of examinations that satisfy the BSR. For example, an individual cannot combine passage of the mathematics section of the EAP, with the reading section of the CBEST, and the Writing section of the CSET: Multiple Subjects Plus Writing examination.

However, since the EAP and EPT/ELM examinations were linked for CSU admission and placement, the Commission will accept a combination of scores from the EAP and EPT/ELM Examinations to meet the BSR as long as the individual passed a section of English and a section for Mathematics. For example, an individual may combine passing scores of the Mathematics EAP and the CSU Placement Examination in English (EPT) to satisfy the BSR. [See Coded Correspondence 11-18](#).

## Exemptions

Applicants for the following documents are exempt from the basic skills requirement:

1. Renewal, reissuance, or upgrading of existing non-emergency credentials, certificates, or permits unless it is specifically indicated as a renewal requirement on the document
2. An additional credential, certificate, or permit to teach when the applicant holds a non-emergency California teaching credential which required a bachelor's degree
3. Credentials issued solely for teaching adults in apprenticeship programs
4. Designated Subjects Vocational Education, Career Technical Education, or Special Subjects Teaching Credentials for which a bachelor's degree is not required
5. Certificates of Clearance
6. Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificates
7. Child Development Permits
8. Eminence Credentials
9. Health Services Credentials, unless the document also authorizes teaching
10. Candidates who are prelingually deaf. This includes all credential types that have basic skills as a requirement for those serving in state special schools or in special classes for pupils with hearing impairments. Prelingually deaf individuals who choose this option will be required to complete a job-related assessment. See the Guide for Verifying the Proficiency of Prelingually Deaf Credential Candidates found on the Commission's website for complete details.

Applicants for the following documents may serve on a credential for one year pending the completion of the basic skills requirement:

- Exchange Credentials
- One-Year Nonrenewable (OYNR) Credentials (some services and teaching credentials may be issued to applicants who have completed their professional training outside of California and who have met all of the requirements for an initial California credential except for completion of the basic skills requirement). Applicants for the OYNR credential must submit a completed application packet through a California school district or county office of education that includes written verification that they have offered employment to the credential applicant, and the applicant has passed a basic skills test developed by the district or county. (The district basic skills test does not replace the basic skills requirement.)
- Out-of-state prepared holders of the preliminary multiple subject, single subject, and education specialist credentials must complete the basic skills requirement during the first year of certification

NOTE: Any examination information provided in this leaflet is subject to change. Please see the testing agency's website for the most current information.

**Reference:**

California Education Code, Section 44252 and 44830

## Appendix A

**Table 1**

CSU Placement Tests	Math	English
<i>Early Assessment Program (EAP)</i> (taken in Spring of 11 <sup>th</sup> grade)	‘College Ready’ or ‘Exempt’	‘College Ready’ or ‘Exempt’
<i>Entry Level Math (ELM)</i>	50*	
<i>English Placement Test (EPT)</i>		151

**Table 2**

<i>College Board SAT</i> (taken after March 2016)	Math	Evidence-Based Reading and Writing
<i>Qualifying Scores</i>	570	560

**Table 3**

<i>College Board SAT</i> (taken before March 2016)	Math	Critical Reading (or Verbal)
<i>Qualifying Scores</i>	550	500

**Table 4**

<i>(ACT)</i>	Math	English
<i>Qualifying Scores</i>	23	22

**Table 5**

Examination	Math	English
<i>College Board Advanced Placement Examinations</i>	Score of 3 or above on one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AP Calculus AB</li> <li>• AP Calculus BC</li> <li>• AP Statistics</li> </ul>	Score of 3 or above on one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AP English Language and Composition</li> <li>• AP English Literature and Composition</li> </ul>

### Out-of-State Basic Skills Exams Guide

The following chart provides a guide for examinations from other states that may be accepted for use toward meeting California’s basic skills requirement. This chart is only a guide and is subject to change.

State	Exam	Exam Name	Exam Info Web Site	State Web Site
Alabama	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment (since October 1, 2016)</li> <li>AECAP-ACT WorkKeys System (last administration July 8, 2017)</li> <li>Alabama Educator Certification Testing Program (AECTP: Basic Skills Test) (Formerly APTTP)</li> </ul>	<a href="https://www.alsde.edu/sec/ea/Pages/bsa-all.aspx?navtext=Basic%20Skills%20Assessment">https://www.alsde.edu/sec/ea/Pages/bsa-all.aspx?navtext=Basic Skills Assessment</a>	<a href="http://www.alsde.edu/sec/tc/pages/home.aspx">www.alsde.edu/sec/tc/pages/home.aspx</a>
Alaska	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> <li>California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST)</li> <li>West-B</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CA_CBEST_TestPage.html">http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CA_CBEST_TestPage.html</a> <a href="http://www.west.nesinc.com">www.west.nesinc.com</a> <a href="http://education.alaska.gov/teachercertification/praxis.html">education.alaska.gov/teachercertification/praxis.html</a>	<a href="http://www.eed.state.ak.us/">www.eed.state.ak.us/</a>
Arizona	Not currently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Basic Skills Exam (<i>if passed between January 1984 and January 1999</i>)</li> </ul>	Not applicable	<a href="http://www.azed.gov/">www.azed.gov/</a>
Arkansas	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/ar/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/ar/requirements</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>	<a href="http://www.arkansased.org/">www.arkansased.org/</a>
Colorado	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/">www.cde.state.co.us/</a>
Connecticut	Not currently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> </ul> <p>(Connecticut no longer requires the basic skills test; OK if passed prior to 07/01/2016)</p>	<a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/ct/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/ct/requirements</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>	<a href="http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/site/default.asp">www.sde.ct.gov/sde/site/default.asp</a>

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Delaware	Not currently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST)</li> </ul> <p><i>(Delaware no longer requires the basic skills test; OK if passed prior to 06/20/2017)</i></p>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CA_CBEST_TestPage.html">http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CA_CBEST_TestPage.html</a> <a href="http://deeds.doe.k12.de.us/certificate/deeds_testing.aspx">deeds.doe.k12.de.us/certificate/deeds_testing.aspx</a>	<a href="http://www.doe.k12.de.us/">www.doe.k12.de.us/</a>
District of Columbia	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST) <i>(if passed prior to 8/31/16)</i></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/dc/requirements/">www.ets.org/praxis/dc/requirements/</a>	<a href="http://osse.dc.gov/">osse.dc.gov/</a>
Florida	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Florida Teacher Certification Examinations (FTCE) <i>(Beginning July 1, 2002)</i></li> <li>General Knowledge Test (GK)</li> <li>CLAST <i>(1982-June 30, 2002); as of July 1, 2014, Florida will not recognize CLAST results to obtain an initial credential</i></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.fl.nesinc.com/tests.asp">www.fl.nesinc.com/tests.asp</a>	<a href="http://www.fldoe.org/EdCert/">www.fldoe.org/EdCert/</a>
Georgia	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators (GACE) 200, 201, 202</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST) <i>(if passed prior to 3/5/2007)</i></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.gapsc.com/EducatorPreparation/Assessment/BasicSkillsInfo.aspx">www.gapsc.com/EducatorPreparation/Assessment/BasicSkillsInfo.aspx</a> <a href="http://www.gapsc.com/EducatorPreparation/Assessment/Testing.aspx">www.gapsc.com/EducatorPreparation/Assessment/Testing.aspx</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>	<a href="http://public.doe.k12.ga.us">public.doe.k12.ga.us</a> <a href="http://www.gapsc.com/">www.gapsc.com/</a>
Guam	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/gu/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/gu/requirements</a> <a href="http://gcec.guam.gov/wp-content/uploads/2011/08/Certification-Table-for-All-Educators.pdf">gcec.guam.gov/wp-content/uploads/2011/08/Certification-Table-for-All-Educators.pdf</a>	<a href="http://sites.google.com/a/gdoe.net/gdoe/">sites.google.com/a/gdoe.net/gdoe/</a>

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Hawaii	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)(<i>if passed prior to 6/30/14</i>)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/hi/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/hi/requirements</a>	<a href="http://www.htsb.org/">www.htsb.org/</a> (Hawaii Teacher Standards Board) <a href="http://doe.k12.hi.us/index.html">doe.k12.hi.us/index.html</a>
Idaho	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://www.sde.idaho.gov/site/teacher_certification/">www.sde.idaho.gov/site/teacher_certification/</a>
Illinois	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ILTS: Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP) - four subtests beginning 9/12/2012</li> <li>ICTS – Basic Skills Test (#096 <i>if all sections passed before 8/31/2010; #300 if passed between 9/11/2010 and 9/11/2012</i>)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.il.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/IL400_TestPage.html">http://www.il.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/IL400_TestPage.html</a>	<a href="http://www.isbe.net/licensure/html/testing.htm">www.isbe.net/licensure/html/testing.htm</a> <a href="http://www.isbe.net/default.htm">www.isbe.net/default.htm</a>
Indiana	Not currently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Core Academic Skills Assessment (CASA) (<i>beginning Summer 2013</i>)</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul> <p><i>As of July 1, 2019, Indiana no longer requires passage of a basic skills exam for teacher certification</i></p>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.in.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN_Tests.html">www.in.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN_Tests.html</a> <a href="http://www.in.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/IN001_TestPage.html">www.in.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/IN001_TestPage.html</a>	<a href="http://www.doe.in.gov/">www.doe.in.gov/</a>
Iowa	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://www.educateiowa.gov//">www.educateiowa.gov//</a> <a href="http://www.iowa.gov/boee">www.iowa.gov/boee</a>
Kansas	Not currently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)(<i>if passed between 5/1/1986 to 7/1/2002</i>)</li> </ul>	Not applicable	<a href="http://www.ksde.org/">www.ksde.org/</a>



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Kentucky	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>	<a href="http://education.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx">education.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx</a> <a href="http://www.epsb.ky.gov/">www.epsb.ky.gov/</a> <a href="http://www.doe.state.la.us/">www.doe.state.la.us/</a>
Louisiana	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment (beginning 09/01/2014)</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)(<i>up to 8/31/2014 - scores differ depending on year passed</i>)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>	<a href="http://www.doe.state.la.us/">www.doe.state.la.us/</a>
Maine	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)(<i>if passed prior to 8/31/2014</i>)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/me/requirements/">www.ets.org/praxis/me/requirements/</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/me">www.ets.org/praxis/me</a>	<a href="http://www.maine.gov/doe/">www.maine.gov/doe/</a>
Maryland	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment (beginning 09/01/2014)*</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST) (<i>if passed prior to 8/31/2014</i>)</li> </ul> <p>* Candidates may combine passing scores on individual sections of the Praxis-Core and Praxis-I PPST exams to meet Maryland's basic skills requirement</p>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>	<a href="http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/certification/certification_branch/testing">www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/certification/certification_branch/testing</a>
Massachusetts	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://www.doe.mass.edu/">www.doe.mass.edu/</a> <a href="http://www.mass.edu/home.asp">www.mass.edu/home.asp</a>

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Michigan	Not currently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC): Professional Readiness Exam (PRE)-last administered 09/23/2017</li> <li>MTTC: Basic Skills Test</li> </ul> <p><i>NOTE: Effective 09/25/2018, Michigan will no longer require a basic skills test for teacher candidates</i></p>	<a href="http://www.mttc.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/MI096_TestPage.html">http://www.mttc.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/MI096_TestPage.html</a>  <a href="http://www.mttc.nesinc.com/MI17_requirements.asp">http://www.mttc.nesinc.com/MI17_requirements.asp</a>	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/mde">www.michigan.gov/mde</a>
Minnesota	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NES Essential Academic Skills (<b>NOTE:</b> 2 versions of test, Multi-state and Minnesota. Both accepted but have different passing scores)</li> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment (beginning 9/1/2014)</li> <li>MTLE: Basic Skills (beginning 9/1/2010; discontinued 6/08/2016)</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST) (if passed prior to 9/1/2014)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>  <a href="http://www.mtle.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN_Tests.html">http://www.mtle.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN_Tests.html</a>	<a href="https://education.mn.gov/ME/Lic/lic/index.htm">https://education.mn.gov/ME/Lic/lic/index.htm</a>
Mississippi	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>  <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/ms/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/ms/requirements</a>  <a href="http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/docs/educator-licensure/new-praxis-test--core-academic-skills-for-educators-(core).pdf?sfvrsn=0">www.mde.k12.ms.us/docs/educator-licensure/new-praxis-test--core-academic-skills-for-educators-(core).pdf?sfvrsn=0</a>	<a href="http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/">www.mde.k12.ms.us/</a>
Missouri	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://dese.mo.gov/">dese.mo.gov/</a>

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Montana	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://opi.mt.gov/">opi.mt.gov/</a>
Nebraska	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> <li>California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.education.ne.gov/tcert/pdfs/Test.pdf">www.education.ne.gov/tcert/pdfs/Test.pdf</a> <a href="http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CA_CBEST_TestPage.html">http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CA_CBEST_TestPage.html</a>	<a href="http://www.education.ne.gov/TCE/RT/">www.education.ne.gov/TCE/RT/</a> <a href="http://www.education.ne.gov/index.html">www.education.ne.gov/index.html</a>
Nevada	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> <li>California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.cbest.nesinc.com">www.cbest.nesinc.com</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/nv/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/nv/requirements</a>	<a href="http://www.doe.nv.gov/">www.doe.nv.gov/</a>
New Hampshire	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/nh/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/nh/requirements</a>	<a href="http://www.education.nh.gov/">www.education.nh.gov/</a> <a href="http://www.education.nh.gov/certification/">www.education.nh.gov/certification/</a>
New Jersey	yes	Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment	<a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/nj/requirements">http://www.ets.org/praxis/nj/requirements</a>	<a href="http://www.nj.gov/education/educators/license/praxis/">http://www.nj.gov/education/educators/license/praxis/</a>
New Mexico	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Essential Academic Skills (001, 002, 003)</li> <li>New Mexico Assessment of Teacher Basic Skills</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.nmta.nesinc.com/">www.nmta.nesinc.com/</a>	<a href="http://www.ped.state.nm.us">www.ped.state.nm.us</a> <a href="http://www.ped.state.nm.us/licensure/index.html">www.ped.state.nm.us/licensure/index.html</a>
New York	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://usny.nysed.gov/teachers/">usny.nysed.gov/teachers/</a>
North Carolina	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST) <i>(if passed prior to 8/31/14)</i></li> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/nc/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/nc/requirements</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>	<a href="http://www.ncpublicschools.org/licensure/">www.ncpublicschools.org/licensure/</a> <a href="http://stateboard.ncpublicschools.gov/">stateboard.ncpublicschools.gov/</a>

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North Dakota	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>	<a href="http://www.nd.gov/espb/">www.nd.gov/espb/</a> <a href="http://www.nd.gov/espb/licensure/testing.html">www.nd.gov/espb/licensure/testing.html</a>
Ohio	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://www.ode.state.oh.us/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEPrimary.aspx?page=2&amp;TopicRelationID=513">www.ode.state.oh.us/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEPrimary.aspx?page=2&amp;TopicRelationID=513</a>
Oklahoma	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oklahoma General Education Test (OGET)</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ok.gov/octp/index.html">www.ok.gov/octp/index.html</a> <a href="http://www.ceoe.nesinc.com/">www.ceoe.nesinc.com/</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>	<a href="http://www.ok.gov/sde/home/defaultie.html">www.ok.gov/sde/home/defaultie.html</a> <a href="http://www.ok.gov/octp/">www.ok.gov/octp/</a>
Oregon	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NES Essential Academic Skills Test</li> <li>West-B</li> <li>California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST)</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.west.nesinc.com">www.west.nesinc.com</a> <a href="http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CA_CBEST_TestPage.html">http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CA_CBEST_TestPage.html</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.orela.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/NT001_TestPage.html">www.orela.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/NT001_TestPage.html</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/or/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/or/requirements</a>	<a href="http://www.oregon.gov/tspc/Pages/index.aspx">www.oregon.gov/tspc/Pages/index.aspx</a>

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Pennsylvania	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre-Service Academic Performance Assessment (PAPA) (<i>beginning 4/2/2012</i>)</li> <li>• The Core Academic Skills for Educators (CORE) modules in Reading, Writing and Mathematics.</li> <li>• Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST) (<i>if passed from 09/01/2000 to 4/2/2012</i>)</li> <li>• Praxis: General Knowledge (GK) and Communication Skills (<i>if passed prior to 09/01/2000</i>)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.pa.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN_WhatTestsDoINeedToTake.html">www.pa.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN_WhatTestsDoINeedToTake.html</a> <a href="http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/testing_requirements/8638">www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/testing_requirements/8638</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/pa/requirements">http://www.ets.org/praxis/pa/requirements</a>	<a href="http://www.pde.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/pennsylvania_department_of_education/7237">www.pde.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/pennsylvania_department_of_education/7237</a>
Rhode Island	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://www.ride.ri.gov/">www.ride.ri.gov/</a> <a href="http://www.ride.ri.gov/educatorquality/certification/default.aspx">www.ride.ri.gov/educatorquality/certification/default.aspx</a>
South Carolina	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>• Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST) (<i>if passed prior to 8/31/2014</i>)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/sc/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/sc/requirements</a>	<a href="http://ed.sc.gov/">ed.sc.gov/</a>
South Dakota	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://doe.sd.gov/">doe.sd.gov/</a>
Tennessee	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>• Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/tn/requirements/">www.ets.org/praxis/tn/requirements/</a>	<a href="http://www.state.tn.us/education/lic/">www.state.tn.us/education/lic/</a>

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Texas	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• THEA/TASP (Texas Higher Education Assessment/Texas Academic Skills Program)</li> <li>• TSI Assessment</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.thea.nesinc.com/">http://www.thea.nesinc.com/</a>	<a href="#">Texas Education Agency Educator Testing</a>
Utah	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://www.schools.utah.gov/cert/">www.schools.utah.gov/cert/</a>
Vermont	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>• Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST) <i>(if passed prior to 8/31/2014)</i></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/vt/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/vt/requirements</a>	<a href="http://education.vermont.gov/">education.vermont.gov/</a> <a href="http://education.vermont.gov/licensing">education.vermont.gov/licensing</a>
Virginia	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment <i>(beginning 1/1/2014)</i></li> <li>• Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST) <i>(if passed prior to 8/31/2014)</i></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching/educator_preparation/college_programs/entry_assessment.pdf">www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching/educator_preparation/college_programs/entry_assessment.pdf</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/va/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/va/requirements</a>	<a href="http://www.virginia.gov/education">www.virginia.gov/education</a>
Washington	Not currently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Washington Educator Skills Test – Basic (West-B), <b>if passed prior to 07/28/2019; as of this date, Washington has eliminated a statewide passing score standard for this exam)</b></li> <li>• California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST)</li> <li>• Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.west.nesinc.com/">www.west.nesinc.com/</a> <a href="http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CA_CBEST_TestPage.html">http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/CA_CBEST_TestPage.html</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a>	<a href="http://www.teachwashington.org/">www.teachwashington.org/</a> <a href="http://www.pesb.wa.gov/">www.pesb.wa.gov/</a> <a href="http://www.k12.wa.us/">www.k12.wa.us/</a>
West Virginia	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>• Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://www.ets.org/praxis/wv/requirements">www.ets.org/praxis/wv/requirements</a>	<a href="http://wvde.state.wv.us/certification/">wvde.state.wv.us/certification/</a> <a href="http://wvde.state.wv.us/">wvde.state.wv.us/</a>

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Wisconsin	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Assessment</li> <li>Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Assessments (PPST)</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ets.org">www.ets.org</a> <a href="http://tepd.dpi.wi.gov/licensing/wisconsin-educator-testing-requirements">tepd.dpi.wi.gov/licensing/wisconsin-educator-testing-requirements</a>	<a href="http://dpi.wi.gov/tepd/index.html">dpi.wi.gov/tepd/index.html</a>
Wyoming	no	Not applicable	Not applicable	<a href="http://ptsb.state.wy.us/">ptsb.state.wy.us/</a>

## Resources

### Credential Leaflets:

Basic Skills Requirement (BSR): [Credential Leaflet CL-667](http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl667.pdf) <<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl667.pdf>>

Examinations for Teacher Certification: [Credential Leaflet CL-818](http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl818.pdf) <<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl818.pdf>>

### Coded Correspondence:

15-03 - [Options for Meeting the Basic Skills Requirement](#)

09-03 - [Implementation of Senate Bill 1186 Concerning the Basic Skills Requirement](#)

07-18 - [Changes to the Basic Skills Requirement](#)