



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF
EDUCATION

EDUCATOR CREDENTIALING EXAMS

Applicants seeking a **teaching credential** in the District of Columbia shall be required to present passing scores for an approved basic skills, subject content and pedagogy exam. For subject areas where an applicable subject content exam has not been adopted, applicants must hold a completed degree with a major in that subject area.

Applicants seeking credentialing for **student support/pupil services** and **school administrator** shall be required to present passing scores for the required subject content exams as indicated. Please refer to the information below to find the exams required for the credential area of your interest. To view information outlining all requirements needed to obtain a D.C. credential, please see [Educator Credentialing Requirements](#).

Praxis CORE - Basic Skills Exams			
Testing Area	Test Code	Required Score	
All Three Subtests (Reading, Writing & Math)	5751 (use this code if you are registering to take all three sub tests during the same testing session)	See below	
Reading	5712 (use this code if you are registering for this specific sub test)	156	
Writing	5722 (use this code if you are registering for this specific sub test)	162	
Mathematics	5732 (use this code if you are registering for this specific sub test)	150	
Praxis II and SLLA - Subject Content and Pedagogy Exams			
Credential Area	Test Name (code)	Code	Required Score
**For all non-foreign language teaching areas where a subject content exam has not been adopted or where the teaching area serves P-12 grades, applicants must hold a completed degree in the teaching area and present passing scores for one of the required PLT exams.	Principles of Learning & Teaching (PLT): Grades K-6	5622	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching (PLT): Grades 5-9	5623	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching (PLT): Grades 7-12	5624	157
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CREDENTIAL	School Leaders Licensure Assessment	6011	163
ART (P-12); PERFORMING ARTS - VISUAL ARTS (P-12)	Content Knowledge Principles of Learning & Teaching	5134 **	158
BIOLOGY (7-12)	Content Knowledge	5235	150
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157
BILINGUAL EDUCATION (P-12)	Principles of Learning & Teaching	**	
BILINGUAL SPECIAL EDUCATION (P-12)	Core Knowledge & Applications Principles of Learning & Teaching	5354 **	151
BUSINESS (7-12)	Content Knowledge	5101	154
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157

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Credential Area	Test Name	Code	Required Score
CHEMISTRY (7-12)	Content Knowledge	5245	152
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157
CHINESE (K-12)	Chinese (Mandarin): World Language	5665	164
	World Languages Pedagogy	5841	158
COMPUTER SCIENCE (7-12)	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157
EARLY CHILDHOOD (PreK-3)	Content Knowledge (0022/5022) or Early Childhood Education (5025);	5022	165
		5025	156
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Early Childhood	5621	157
EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION (PreK-3)	Special Ed: Pre-School/Early Childhood	5691	159
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Early Childhood	5621	157
ELEMENTARY (1-6)	When registering to take all four subtests at the same time use code 5001	*5001	See below
	Multiple Subjects: Reading subtest	5002	157
	Multiple Subjects: Mathematics subtest	5003	157
	Multiple Subjects: Social Studies subtest	5004	155
	Multiple Subjects: Science subtest	5005	159
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades K-6	5622	160
ENGLISH (7-12)	Content Knowledge	5038	167
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157
ENGLISH as a SECOND LANGUAGE (P-12)	English to Speakers of Other Languages Principles of Learning & Teaching	5361 **	141
FOREIGN LANGUAGES where a subject content exam has not been adopted, applicants must hold a completed degree in the language area and present a passing score for this pedagogy exam.	World Languages Pedagogy	5841	158
FRENCH (K-12)	French: World Language	5174	162
	World Languages Pedagogy	5841	158
GENERAL SCIENCE (7-12)	Content Knowledge	5435	157
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157
GERMAN (P-12)	German: World Language	5183	163
	World Languages Pedagogy	5841	158
GIFTED & TALENTED EDUCATION (P-12)	Gifted Education	5358	157
HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION (P-12)	Content Knowledge Principles of Learning & Teaching	5857 **	160
HOME ECONOMICS (7-12)	Family and Consumer Science	5122	153
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157
LATIN (P-12)	Content Knowledge	5601	152
	World Languages Pedagogy	5841	158
MARKETING (7-12)	Marketing Education	5561	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157
MATHEMATICS (7-12)	Content Knowledge	5161	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157
MIDDLE SCHOOL - General (4-8)	Content Knowledge	5146	155
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9	5623	160

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Credential Area	Test Name	Code	Required Score
MIDDLE SCHOOL: ENGLISH (4-8)	Content Knowledge	5047	164
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9	5623	160
MIDDLE SCHOOL: MATHEMATICS (4-8)	Content Knowledge	5169	165
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9	5623	160
MIDDLE SCHOOL: SCIENCE (4-8)	Content Knowledge	5440	150
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9	5623	160
MIDDLE SCHOOL: SOCIAL STUDIES (4-8)	Content Knowledge	5089	155
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9	5623	160
MUSIC - INSTRUMENTAL & VOCAL (P-12) PERFORMING ARTS – MUSIC (P-12)	Content Knowledge	5113	161
	Principles of Learning & Teaching	**	
PERFORMING ARTS - DRAMA & THEATER (P-12)	Content Knowledge	5641	157
	Principles of Learning & Teaching	**	
PERFORMING ARTS DANCE (P-12)	Principles of Learning & Teaching	**	
PHYSICS (7-12)	Content Knowledge	5265	143
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157
READING SPECIALIST (P-12)	Reading Specialist	5301	164
SCHOOL COUNSELOR (P-12)	Professional School Counselor	5421	156
SCHOOL LIBRARIAN (P-12)	Library Media Specialist	5311	151
SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST (P-12)	School Psychologist	5402	147
SOCIAL STUDIES (7-12)	Content Knowledge	5081	155
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157
SPANISH (P-12)	Spanish: World Language	5195	168
	World Languages Pedagogy	5841	158
SPECIAL EDUCATION: NON-CATEGORICAL (P-12)	Core Knowledge & Applications	5354	151
	Principles of Learning & Teaching	**	
SPECIAL EDUCATION: CATEGORICAL HEARING IMPAIRMENTS (P-12)	Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students	5272	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching	**	
SPECIAL EDUCATION: CATEGORICAL VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS (P-12)	Teaching Stud. w/ Visual Impairments	5282	163
	Principles of Learning & Teaching	**	
SPECIAL EDUCATION: CATEGORICAL LEARNING DISABILITIES (K-12)	Teaching Stud. w/Learning Disabilities	5383	151
	Principles of Learning & Teaching	**	
SPECIAL EDUCATION: CATEGORICAL EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCE (P-12)	Stu. w/ Beh. Disorders & Emotional Disturbance	5372	154
	Principles of Learning & Teaching	**	
SPECIAL EDUCATION: CATEGORICAL MENTAL RETARDATION (P-12)	Teach. Stu. w/Intellectual Disabilities	5322	156
	Principles of Learning & Teaching	**	

****PRINCIPLES OF LEARNING & TEACHING – PEDAGOGY EXAMS**

Test Name	Code	Required Score
Principles of Learning & Teaching: Early Childhood	5621	157
Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades K-6	5622	160
Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9	5623	160
Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624	157

For more detailed information regarding registration procedures, fees/fee waivers, test preparation materials, etc., please contact the Educational Testing Service (ETS) at: www.ets.org/praxis or 1-800-772-9476 or 1-609-771-7395.

SCORE RECOGNITION SCHEDULE FOR DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EDUCATOR CREDENTIALING EXAMS THAT HAVE BEEN DROPPED, DISCONTINUED OR REGENERATED

The District of Columbia recognizes that there are applicants who have achieved passing scores on licensure exams that have since been dropped, discontinued, or regenerated (ETS test updating process). In these instances, passing licensure exam scores will be acceptable for a period not to exceed three (3) calendar years after the date an exam has been dropped, discontinued or regenerated.

Below is a chart of acceptable exams for subject areas that include a previously required exam(s), and the score recognition schedule. Applicants who possess test names/codes and scores that DO NOT match the exams listed on this chart, will be required to provide passing scores for currently required exams.

PRAXIS I & OTHER BASIC SKILLS TEST ALTERNATIVES									
Test Name				Test Code	Score	Date Dropped	Date Accepted Until		
CBT: Reading				0711	319	9/1/2013	8/31/2016		
CBT: Writing				0721	316	9/1/2013	8/31/2016		
CBT: Mathematics				0731	319	9/1/2013	8/31/2016		
PPST: Reading				0710/5710	172	9/1/2013	8/31/2016		
PPST: Writing				0720/5720	171	9/1/2013	8/31/2016		
PPST: Mathematics				0730/5730	174	9/1/2013	8/31/2016		
Praxis I Composite - must have the following minimum scores to qualify for using the composite: Reading: 168 PPST; 314 CBT Writing: 165 PPST; 307 CBT Mathematics: 169 PPST; 314 CBT				N/A	PPST: 517 CBT: 954	9/1/2013	8/31/2016		
<p>In lieu of completing the Praxis basic skills exam, individuals may submit passing scores from the SAT, ACT or GRE exams in accordance with score combinations listed below. These exams shall be accepted until 8/31/16. As of September 1, 2016 all applicants seeking a teaching credential shall be required to present passing scores for the Praxis CORE exam (see page 1).</p>									
Test Name	Testing Area	Combined Score	AND	Test Name	Score	OR	Test Name	Testing Area	Score
ACT	Composite	20	AND	PPST Writing; OR CBT Writing	171 316	OR	GRE	Writing	3.5
SAT	Verbal & Math	960	AND	PPST Writing; OR CBT Writing	171 316	OR	GRE	Writing	3.5
SAT (pre-2005)	Verbal & Math	850	AND	PPST Writing; OR CBT Writing	171 316	OR	GRE	Writing	3.5
GRE	Verbal & Quantitative	288	AND	PPST Writing; OR CBT Writing	171 316	OR	GRE	Writing	3.5
GRE (pre-2012)	Verbal & Quantitative	870	AND	PPST Writing; OR CBT Writing	171 316	OR	GRE	Writing	3.5

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PRAXIS II – SUBJECT AREA ASSESSMENTS					
Licensure Area	Test Name	Test Code	Score	Date Dropped / Regenerated	Date Accepted Until
Biology (7-12)	Life Science Pedagogy	0234	147	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
Chemistry (7-12)	Physical Science: Pedagogy	0483	154	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
Early Childhood (PreK-3)	Education of Young Children	0021/5021	174	9/1/2011	8/31/2014
	Content Knowledge	0022/5022	165	9/1/2016	8/31/2019
Elementary Education (1-6)	Instructional Practice & Applications	0015/5015	161	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
	Content Knowledge	0014/5014	145	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
	Multiple Subjects: Reading	5032	165	9/1/2015	8/31/2018
	Multiple Subjects: Mathematics	5033	164	9/1/2015	8/31/2018
	Multiple Subjects: Soc. Studies	5034	155	9/1/2015	8/31/2018
	Multiple Subjects: Science	5035	159	9/1/2015	8/31/2018
English (7-12)	English Pedagogy	0043	150	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
	Content Knowledge	0041/5041	160	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
French (K-12)	Content Knowledge	0173	155	10/15/2010	10/14/2013
	Productive Language Skills	0171	173	10/15/2010	10/14/2013
General Science (7-12)	Physical Science: Pedagogy	0483	154	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
Health & Physical Education	Content Knowledge	0856/5856	156	9/1/2014	8/31/2017
Home Economics (7-12)	Family and Consumer Science	0121/5121	159	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
Mathematics (7-12)	Mathematics Pedagogy	0065	135	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
	Content Knowledge	0061/5061	141	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
Middle School English (4-8)	Content Knowledge	0049/5049	160	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
Middle School Mathematics (4-8)	Content Knowledge	0069	152	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
Middle School Science (4-8)	Content Knowledge	0439	150	9/1/2014	8/31/2017
Performing Arts – Drama & Theater (K-12)	Content Knowledge	0640	600	Score Rescaled	Currently Accepted
Physics	Physical Science: Pedagogy	0483	154	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
Social Studies	Social Studies Pedagogy	0084	169	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
Spanish (K-12)	Content Knowledge	0191	153	10/15/2010	10/14/2013
	Productive Language Skills	0192	166	10/15/2010	10/14/2013
	Pedagogy	0194	170	10/15/2010	10/14/2013
Special Education (K-12)	Education of Exceptional Students	0353	146	9/18/2010	9/17/2013