

West Virginia Licensure Testing Directory

This directory is a listing of all WVBE-required licensure exams for educator certification and for completion of West Virginia Board of Education approved programs leading to West Virginia licensure. This directory is maintained on the WVDE website. When tests or scores listed in the directory are changed, the validity period for the previously listed test and/or score shall be one year from the effective date of the new test and/or score. Exception: tests and/or scores shall remain valid for twelve months after completion of an approved program for licensure where the applicant was continuously enrolled even if the test and/or score has changed.

Documentation of Footnotes on The Following Tables listed in this directory

Test validity time periods are defined in WVBE Policy 5202, Section 10.1.b.3.

²The Core Academic Skills for Educators (CASE) may be waived provided the candidate: a) holds a master's degree from an accredited institution of higher education; or b) currently holds, or has held, a West Virginia Professional Teaching, Student Support Services, or a West Virginia Professional Student Support Certificate endorsed for School Nurse or is licensed by the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, or Administrative Certificate; or c) has attained a score of 25 or higher on the American College Testing (ACT) program prior to November 1989 or an enhanced ACT score of 26 or higher beginning November 1989; or d) has attained a score of 1035 or higher on the Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT) prior to April 1995, or a re-centered SAT score of 1125 or higher beginning April 1995, or an SAT combined Critical Reading and Math score of 1170 or higher beginning March 2005.

- ³ A candidate completing a WVBE-approved program for the initial teaching license is required to pass the grade-level appropriate WVBE-adopted Principles of Learning and Teaching Praxis II Test as described below:
 - For Pre-K-Adult- Principles of Learning & Teaching 5622 (K-6) or 5624 (7-12)
 - For K-6 –Principles of Learning & Teaching 5622 (K-6)
 - For 5-9 – Principles of Learning and Teaching 5623 (5-9)
 - For 9-Adult – Principles of Learning and Teaching 5624 – 7-12

⁴Grade-level appropriate WVBE adopted PRAXIS II Content Tests as described in the tables of this appendix are requirements of program completion.

GENERAL EDUCATION SPECIALIZATIONS

All Applicants must meet the following testing requirements:^{1, 2, 3, 4}

1. Core Academic Skills for Educators (CASE) AND

Required Tests	Current Score	<i>Previous Score</i>
CASE ²		
5712 Reading	156	
5722 Writing	162	
5732 Mathematics	150	

2. Praxis II Content Test (see applicable endorsement area in table below); AND

3. Praxis PLT (Applicants must take the appropriate programmatic level test)²

Praxis Test ³	Current Score	<i>Previous Score</i>
5622 Principles of Learning & Teaching (K-6) OR	160	
5623 Principles of Learning & Teaching (5-9) OR	160	
5624 Principles of Learning & Teaching (7-12)	157	

Part A: General Education Specializations

0201: AGRICULTURE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5701 Agriculture	147	

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (PreK-Adult)**			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	0634: American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (Gallaudet University) OR **Sign Language Proficiency Interview	Level 4 Superior Level	

**Note: A candidate who holds valid certification through the American Sign Language Teaching Association or valid National Interpreter Certification through the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf is not required to satisfy the Sign Language Proficiency Interview: ASL or the American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (Gallaudet University) requirement or PRAXIS Assessment of Signed Communication ASL (American Sign Language).

0300: ART			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5134 Art: Content Knowledge	158	

2600: BIOLOGY			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5235 Biology: Content Knowledge	152	

0600: BUSINESS EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5101 Business Education	157

0603: BUSINESS EDUCATION/MARKETING				
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>	
		5101 Business Education AND	157	
		5561 Marketing Education	153	

2700: CHEMISTRY			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5245 Chemistry Content Knowledge	157

1275: CHINESE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		No Test Required	N/A

7213: COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5651: Computer Science	171

2050: DANCE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		No Test Required	N/A

0900: DRIVER EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		No Test Required	N/A

Must have 1) held a valid motor vehicle operator's license for the past three years without interruption; 2) provide evidence of a satisfactory driving record by submitting a certified copy of the applicant's driving record from the Departments of Motor Vehicles (DMV) in each state where he or she has been licensed during the past three years; 3) has not accumulated nine or more points on the applicant's driving record from a DMV at any time during the past three years; 4) has not been convicted of and/or had a DMV suspension or revocation of license, on a charge of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, controlled substances, any other drugs or the combination thereof, or by clear and convincing evidence, including but not limited to, positive breath or blood test or field sobriety results, has not operated a motor vehicle under the influence of same; AND 5) has completed training in defensive driving.

3601: EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (K-4)				
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>	
		5024 Education of Young Children AND	160	
		5203 Teaching Reading: Elementary Education	162	

3603: EARLY EDUCATION (PreK-K)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
		5531 PreK-Kindergarten Education	155

2910: EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE (5-AD)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score
		5571: Earth and Space Science: Content Knowledge	147

3600: ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (K-6)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score Effective September 1, 2015	Previous Score ¹ Effective Until August 31, 2015
		5001: Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects	**Must obtain a passing score in each subsection
	5002: Reading and Language Arts	157	165 <i>5032 Reading and Language Arts</i>
	5003: Mathematics	157	164 <i>5033 Mathematics</i>
	5004: Social Studies	155	155 <i>5034 Social Studies</i>
	5005: Science AND	159	159 <i>5035 Science</i>
	5203 Teaching Reading: Elementary Education (*A passing score on the 5301 Reading Specialist exam exempts this additional reading exam requirement. Educator must have the Reading Specialist Endorsement)	162	

1920: ELEMENTARY MATHEMATICS ENDORSEMENT (K-6)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	No Test Required	N/A	

1940: ELEMENTARY MATHEMATICS SPECIALIST (K-6)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	Test To Be Determined	TBD	

1000: ENGLISH (5-Adult)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5038 English Language Arts: Content Knowledge	167	

1000: ENGLISH (5-9)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5047 Middle School English Language Arts	164	

1050: ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (PreK-Adult)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score Effective September 1, 2016	Previous Score ¹ Effective until August 31, 2016
	5362: English to Speakers of Other Languages	155	137 <i>5361: English as a Second Language</i>

1706: FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score Effective September 1, 2015	Previous Score ¹ Effective until August 31, 2015
		5122 Family and Consumer Science	153

1100: FRENCH			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
		5174 World Languages: French	160

1950: GENERAL, INTEGRATED MATHEMATICS (5-AD)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
		5162: Algebra I	157

1905: GENERAL MATH THROUGH ALGEBRA I (5-9)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
		5169: Middle School Math	165

2900: GENERAL SCIENCE (5-Adult)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
		5435 General Science: Content Knowledge	153

2900: GENERAL SCIENCE (5-9)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5440 Middle School Science	150	

1200: GERMAN			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5183 World Languages: German	160	

2205: HEALTH			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5551 Health Education	156	

0615: INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	No Test Required	N/A	

1250: JAPANESE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	No Test Required	N/A	

3900: JOURNALISM			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5223: Journalism	150

1300: LATIN			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5601 Latin	131

0710: MARKETING			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5561 Marketing Education	153

1900: MATHEMATICS (5-Adult)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5161 Mathematics: Content Knowledge (Calculator Required)	160

2000: MUSIC			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5113 Music Content Knowledge (Contains Listening Section)	155

3700: ORAL COMMUNICATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5221 Speech Communication	150	

2210: PHYSICAL EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5091 Physical Education: Content Knowledge	150	

2500: PHYSICS			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5265 Physics: Content Knowledge	126	

3606: PRESCHOOL EDUCATION (PreK-PreK)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	No Test Required	N/A	

4301: READING EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	No Test Required		

4301: READING SPECIALIST			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5301 Reading Specialist**	164	
**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.1.b of this policy.			

1400: RUSSIAN			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	No Required Test	N/A	

3440: SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5311 School Library Media Specialist	138	

3000: SOCIAL STUDIES (5-Adult)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5081 Social Studies: Content Knowledge	148	

3000: SOCIAL STUDIES (5-9)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5089 Middle School Social Studies	151	

1500: SPANISH			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5195 World Languages: Spanish	163

0608: TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5051 Technology Education	159

1055: THEATRE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		No Test Required	N/A

2250: WELLNESS (PreK-Adult) Health and Physical Education Comprehensive				
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>	
		5551 Health Education AND	156	
		5091 Physical Education Content Knowledge	150	

B. SPECIAL EDUCATION SPECIALIZATIONS

4116: AUTISM			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5354 Special Education: Content Knowledge & Applications OR	151	
	5543 Education of Exceptional Students: Mild to Moderate	153	
	**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.1.b of this policy.		

4112: BEHAVIOR DISORDERS (Excluding Autism)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5372 Special Education: Teaching Student with Behavioral Disorders/Emotional Disturbances AND	154	
	5354 Special Education: Content Knowledge & Applications	151	

4117: DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5272: Deaf and Hard of Hearing	160	
<small>**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.1.b of this policy.</small>			

4500: GIFTED			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5358: Gifted Education	157	

4113: MENTALLY IMPAIRED (MILD/MODERATE)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5354 Special Education: Content Knowledge & Applications	151	

4115: MULTI-CATEGORICAL SPECIAL EDUCATION (BD , MI, SLD, EXCLUDING AUTISM)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5543 Education of Exceptional Students: Mild to Moderate	153	

4122: PRESCHOOL SPECIAL NEEDS (PreK-K)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5691 Preschool/Early Childhood	159	

4104: SEVERE DISABILITIES			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5545 Special Education Core Knowledge and Severe to Profound Applications	158	

4105: SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITIES			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5383 Education of Exceptional Students: Learning Disabilities, AND	151	
	5354 Special Education: Content Knowledge & Applications	151	

4203: VISUAL IMPAIRMENT			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score Effective July 1, 2016	<i>Previous Score¹ Effective until June 30, 2016</i>
		5282 Teaching Students with Visual Impairments AND 0633: Braille Proficiency	163 169
**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.1.b of this policy.			

C. ADMINISTRATIVE AND STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES SPECIALIZATIONS

0015: PRINCIPAL 0006: SUPERVISOR OF INSTRUCTION 0001: SUPERINTENDENT			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5411 Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision	141	

0005: SCHOOL COUNSELOR			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5421 School Guidance and Counseling (Contains Listening Section)	156	

3302: SCHOOL NURSE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	No Test Required	N/A	
	Valid West Virginia RN Licensure		

3800: SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5402 School Psychologist	147	

5005: SOCIAL SERVICES/ATTENDANCE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	No Test Required	N/A	

2311: SPEECH ASSISTANT			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score</i> ¹
		No Test Required	N/A

2310: SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score</i> ¹
		5331 Speech Language Pathology	162