

West Virginia Licensure Testing Directory

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DIRECTORY DESCRIPTION AND AUTHORITY INFORMATION

This directory is a listing of all West Virginia Board of Education (WVBE) required licensure exams for educator certification and for completion of WVBE approved programs leading to West Virginia licensure. This directory is maintained on the West Virginia Department of Education website and pursuant to rules for WVBE approved testing found in West Virginia State Code (ex. Sections §18A-3-1 through §18A-3-2a) and WVBE Policies (ex. 5202, 5100 and 5901).

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

(Pre-Professional, Content, and Pedagogical Knowledge and Skills)

All Applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Documentation of Pre-Professional Skills using one of the allowable requirements included within this directory.
2. Praxis II Content Test - Review the applicable content test(s) and passing scores required for each endorsement area, in accordance with appropriate grade levels, in the specialization tables of this document; AND
3. Professional Education Exams (see requirement details on the next page).

***** Beginning immediately, July 1, 2023, the Core Academic Skills for Educators (CASE) exam will no longer be required for program admission for candidates completing a traditional teacher preparation program.**

*****WVDE Alternative Certification Programs must meet the Pre-Professional Skills Test/Basic Skills Test requirements or qualify for an eligible exemption.**

*****Candidates who are admitted into a teacher preparation program after January 1, 2024, are not required to complete the Basic Skills Exam for certification purposes but must meet one of the exemptions listed starting on page 4 of this directory.**

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION EXAM REQUIREMENTS**

(Applicants must attain a passing score on the appropriate test, according to the programmatic level of the endorsement being sought, as described in the charts below)

ENDORSEMENT PROGRAMMATIC LEVEL	PLT 5622	PLT 5623		PLT 5624		TPA**
Pre-K-Pre-K						X
Pre-K-K	X				OR	X
Pre-K-Adult	X		OR	X	OR	X
K-4	X				OR	X
K-6	X				OR	X
5-9 <small>Can only be used for 5-9 endorsements</small>		X	OR	X	OR	X
5-Adult				X	OR	X
9-Adult				X	OR	X

***The assessment must have been officially adopted by the preparing institution/provider/state (if applicable based on the EPP).*

*****Candidates who completed an approved Teacher Performance Assessment (TPA) as part of a WVBE-approved educator preparation program after July 12, 2023, are exempt from the PLT requirement.**

*****Elementary Education candidates must also meet the professional education assessment as stated under Elementary Education (3600) K-6 in Section A in this directory.**

Praxis Test (see chart above for grade level requirements)	Required Score
5622 Principles of Learning & Teaching (K-6)	160
5623 Principles of Learning & Teaching (5-9)	160
5624 Principles of Learning & Teaching (7-12)	157

***The Professional Education Test is not required for an educator seeking West Virginia licensure in a student support or administrative specialization.*

Teacher Performance Assessment (TPA)	Required Score
edTPA 13 Rubrics	31
edTPA 15 Rubrics	36
edTPA 18 Rubrics	43
PPAT	38

Teacher Performance Assessment (TPA) (for Applicants Under Restricted Waiver and/or Provisions Seeking Certificate Conversion)	Required Score
edTPA 13 Rubrics	36
edTPA 15 Rubrics	42
edTPA 18 Rubrics	50

If more than one endorsement is sought on an initial Professional Teaching Certificate (including the Provisional Professional Teaching Certificate), the individual must pass a minimum of one appropriate Principles of Learning and Teaching exams or TPA if applicable, in accordance with programmatic level of the endorsement being sought, as described in the tables above.

Test Score Validity:

The validity period for in-state and out-of-state tests and passing scores is ten years from the date on which the candidate passed the examination if such tests were the tests required in the WVBE policy (or out of-state policy if applicable) effective at the time the tests were taken, except when the test creator specifies otherwise¹. In those circumstances where the WVBE has not altered either the required test or the passing score, the test and score shall remain valid beyond the ten-year period. Candidates whose test score(s) exceed the ten-year validity period at the time of application for licensure are required to satisfy current tests and passing scores.

¹ Test may be accepted beyond the validity specified by the test creator (not to exceed four years) if the applicant is continuously enrolled in an eligible program and provides documentation of continuing attempts to pass exams, which are not more than three months apart, to complete all program requirements.

Basic Skills Test scores may be used beyond the ten-year limit and may be used to satisfy the pre-professional skills test requirement.

**For test validity when adding endorsements via content exam, please see WVBE Policy 5202.

Failure to Apply for Licensure:

A candidate who fails to apply for licensure within 12 months from the completion of an approved program for licensure is required to satisfy any program components in effect at the time of application and to comply with conditions outlined for the validity period.

Pre-Professional Skills Requirements

Individuals may be exempt from the WVBE-required tests for pre-professional skills (Reading, Writing, Mathematics), provided they meet one of the following criteria:

- Core Academic Skills for Educators (CASE) – Applicants must pass three of the following exams, specifically one reading, one writing, and one mathematics exam;

Required Tests	Current Score
Core Academic Skills for Educators	
5713 Reading	156
5723 Writing	162
5733 Mathematics	150
<i>If you wish to take all three computer-delivered Core exams (5713, 5723, 5733) at the same time, select Core Academic Skills for Educators: Combined Test (5752) when registering. Scores will be reported by individual test (5713, 5723, 5733).</i>	Individual scores as stated above

OR

- Holds a conferred Bachelor’s Degree from an accredited Institution of Higher Education with an overall cumulative minimum GPA of 3.0; or
- Holds certification through the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS); or
- Holds or has held a West Virginia Professional Certificate; or
- Holds a master’s degree from an accredited institution of higher education; or
- Individuals enrolled in a state approved EPP resulting in an MA; or
- Has attained a composite score of 25 on the American College Test (ACT) (prior to November 1989); or
- Has attained a composite score of 21 on the ACT (on or after November 1, 1989); or
- Has a 1035 on the Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT) (prior to 1995); or
- Has a 1125 on the re-centered SAT (effective April 1995); or
- Has a 1170 on the revised SAT using the combined Critical Reading and Math score (effective March 2005); or
- Has attained a New SAT score of 480 using the combined Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and a score of 530 in Math. Candidates may use scores from multiple administrations (effective May 2016); or
- Has attained from a single administration a combined score of 800 verbal and quantitative (tested prior to November 2011) on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE); or
- Has attained from a single administration at least a 286 (November 2011 or after) on the GRE; or
- Satisfies a passing score in basic skills reading, writing and mathematics as required in the state where the preparation program is or was completed; or
- Holds a valid out-of-state certificate in the content area in which West Virginia certification is available and requested; or
- Holds an expired out-of-state certificate or equivalent; or
- Holds documentation of successfully completing three years of experience within the last seven years in one or a combination of specializations recognized on an out-of-state

- professional certificate, valid during those three years; or
- Holds a license issued by the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses; or
- Holds a passing score on the current Elementary Education Multiple Subject PRAXIS Exams required for West Virginia licensure; or
- Obtained a score that is two standard error of measurement (SEM) above the adopted content exam cut score for which licensure is sought; or
- Has attained a 'B' or better in each of three courses addressing the basic skills of reading, writing, and mathematics (as indicated by college and career ready standards) at an accredited Institution of Higher Education providing that each course is a minimum of three semester credit hours (or equivalent).

For exemption from the Reading and Writing Pre-Professional Skills Test only:

- Has attained a minimum combined score of 34 on the ACT exam (effective on or after November 1, 1989) in both English and Reading with a minimum individual score of 17 for each individual subject (English and Reading). Eligible scores for English and Reading on the ACT enhanced exam may be combined from multiple administrations of the exam; or
- Has attained a New SAT score of 480 using the combined Evidence-Based Reading and Writing. Candidates may use scores from multiple administrations (effective May 2016).

For exemption from the Mathematics Pre-Professional Skills Test only:

- Has attained a minimum individual score of 19 on the ACT exam (through June 30, 2023) in mathematics during any administration of the test; or
- Has attained a minimum individual score of 21 on the ACT exam (after July 1, 2023) in Mathematics during any administration of the test; or
- Has attained an SAT score of 530 In Math. Candidates may use scores from multiple administrations (effective May 2016).

Notes on exemptions from pre-professional skills tests using ACT (effective on or after November 1989) scores: Applicants may use the average of the best ACT scores from each subject on multiple attempts of the exam to meet a combined score or composite score exemption, with the exception of the writing section score, which is not figured into a composite score.

You may find a free superscore calculator on the following website:

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/students-and-parents/college-planning-resources/testing-advice-for-the-act/how-to-calculate-your-act-superscore.html>.

ALLOWABLE EXAM EXEMPTIONS

(As per WVBE Policy 5202)

The following exemptions are established by the WVBE for required exams of professional licensure:

Content Specialization Test(s)

The requirement for passing WVBE-required test(s) for content specializations may be exempted, provided the individual meets one of the following criteria:

- Holds certification through the NBPTS; or
- Holds a valid and equivalent out-of-state license in the area in which West Virginia certification is available and requested; or
- Holds a Doctorate Degree in the content area for which West Virginia licensure is available and requested; or
- Holds a Master's degree in the content area for which West Virginia licensure is available and requested, and five years of directly related work experience in the area; or
- Holds an expired out-of-state certificate or equivalent or equivalent in the desired content area; or
- Has successfully completed three years of experience within the last seven years in one or a combination of specializations recognized on an out-of-state professional certificate valid during those three years.

Professional Education Test(s)

The requirement for passing WVBE-required test(s) for professional education may be exempted, provided the individual meets one of the following criteria:

- Holds certification through the NBPTS; or
- Satisfied a passing score on the appropriate professional education test as required in the state where the preparation program is or was completed (Teaching Reading, Praxis 5205 is not included under this exemption); or
- Satisfied a passing score on the appropriate professional education test which is included as part of a WVBE approved program; or
- Holds a valid out-of-state Professional Certificate; or
- Holds an expired out-of-state certificate or equivalent; or
- Has successfully completed three years of experience within the last seven years in one or a combination of specializations recognized on an out-of-state professional certificate valid during those three years; or
- Provide evidence of successfully completing a valid, reliable, and/or nationally normed performance assessment (including but not limited to the edTPA, PPAT, WVTPA) that demonstrates and measures the proficiencies in the professional roles and in the programmatic levels for which the individual is being as adopted by the preparing institution/provider/state. Required passing scores are listed above under the *Professional Exam Requirement section*. This assessment must be aligned with relevant national and West Virginia content and professional standards or as required per the WVBE.

***Pursuant to West Virginia House Bill 3035 the Teaching Reading Elementary Education PRAXIS assessment must be completed and passed as indicated in Section A of this directory.

GPA REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIAL LICENSURE

- Minimum GPA 2.5 (Bachelor's Degree); or
- A GPA of 2.0 or greater (Bachelor's Degree) and has obtained a score that is two standard error of measurements (SEM+2) above for any and all of the adopted content exam(s) cut score; or
- A GPA of 2.0 or greater (Bachelor's Degree) and **three** years of substitute or full-time teaching experience with a minimum of 133 days in a school year at an accredited K-12 public school system or a non-public school that has been accredited through a WVBE-approved accreditation agency as prescribed in W. Va. 126CSR13C, Policy 2330. A school or county administrator's recommendation is required to verify each year of substitute or full-time teaching experience.

SECTION A
GENERAL EDUCATION SPECIALIZATIONS

¹ Standard Error of Measurement (SEM +2)

ENDORSEMENT: 0201: AGRICULTURE (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5701: Agriculture	147	158	
**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 1950: ALGEBRA I (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5162: Algebra I	157	172	

ENDORSEMENT: 1907: ALGEBRA II (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
* This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 1550: AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (PreK-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
0634: American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ALSPI)	Level 4	N/A	
OR			
Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI)	Advanced Plus	N/A	
**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 American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (Gallaudet University) requirement			

ENDORSEMENT: 0300: ART (Pre-k-AD; 5-Adult; 5-9)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5134: Art Content Knowledge	158	169	

ENDORSEMENT: 2600: BIOLOGY (9-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5236: Biology Content Knowledge	154	167	

ENDORSEMENT: 0600 BUSINESS EDUCATION (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5101: Business Education	157	167	

ENDORSEMENT: 2700: CHEMISTRY (9-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5246: Chemistry	146	160	

ENDORSEMENT: 1275: CHINESE (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5665: Chinese (Mandarin) OR ACTFL Exam for Chinese (Mandarin)**	164 Advanced Low	173	
<p>**Test Scores for the ACTFL Exams are only valid for two years from the test date as per ACTFL, unless candidate was continuously enrolled in an approved program, and the test was eligible at time of enrollment. In such instances, scores will be valid for 12 months after program completion.</p> <p>**The Advanced Low score is the minimum that must be scored on both the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI or OPIc) and the Writing Proficiency Test (WPT).</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 7213: COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5652: Computer Science	149	152	
<p>** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(1)(C).</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 2050: DANCE (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 0900: DRIVER EDUCATION (9-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			
**Must meet requirements as stated in WVBE Policy 5202.			

ENDORSEMENT: 3601: EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (K-4)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5024: Education of Young Children	160	171	
AND			
(Professional Education Assessment)	159	170	
5205: Teaching Reading: Elementary			
(*A passing score on the 5302 Reading Specialist exam exempts this additional teaching reading exam requirement. Educator must have the Reading Specialist Endorsement)			

ENDORSEMENT: 3603: EARLY EDUCATION (PreK-K)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5531: PreK-Kindergarten Education	155	167	

ENDORSEMENT: 2910: EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE (5-AD)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5572: Earth and Space Science	154	168	

ENDORSEMENT: 3600: ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (K-6)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹ SEM +2	
5001: Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects OR 7811: Elementary Education: Content Knowledge for Teaching (CKT)	**Must obtain a passing score in each subsection (4 sections) *May combine sections from both tests (5001 and 7811) to satisfy this requirement		
5002: Reading and Language Arts	157	171	
OR			
7812: Reading and Language Arts (CKT)	161	175	
AND			
5003: Mathematics	157	176	
OR			
7813: Mathematics (CKT)	150	166	
AND			
5004: Social Studies	155	171	
OR			
7815: Social Studies (CKT)	161	176	
AND			
5005: Science	159	175	
OR			
7814: Science (CKT)	154	170	
5205: Teaching Reading Elementary Education (Professional Education Assessment) Effective July 1, 2024	159	170	
*** Elementary education candidates who have completed a residency or student teaching experience prior to July 1, 2024, and who have not exceeded the 12-month period from program completion, are exempt from the Teaching Reading Elementary Education (TREE) assessment. **A passing score on the 5302 Reading Specialist exam exempts this additional reading exam requirement. Educator must have the Reading Specialist Endorsement. ***Candidates actively enrolled and currently completing coursework in a WVBE-approved Alternative Certification and or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C) program prior to July 1, 2024, are exempt from the Teaching Reading Elementary Education (TREE) assessment.			

ENDORSEMENT: 1920: ELEMENTARY MATHEMATICS SPECIALIZATION (K-6)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
**This endorsement not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 1940: ELEMENTARY MATHEMATICS SPECIALIST (K-6)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
Test to Be Determined	TBD	TBD	
**Requires a Master's Degree in Elementary Math Specialist. ** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 1000: ENGLISH (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5038: English Language Arts: Content Knowledge	167	177	

ENDORSEMENT: 1030: ENGLISH (5-9)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5047: Middle School English Language Arts	164	176	

ENDORSEMENT: 1050: ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (PreK-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5362: English to Speakers of Other Languages	155	166	

ENDORSEMENT: 1706: FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5123: Family and Consumer Sciences (Available September 1, 2024)	151	165	
OR			
5122: Family and Consumer Science (Until August 31, 2025)	153	163	

ENDORSEMENT: 1100: FRENCH (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5174: World Languages: French	160	171	
OR			
ACTFL Exam in French**	Advanced Low		
<p>**Test Scores for the ACTFL Exams are only valid for two years from the test date as per ACTFL, unless candidate was continuously enrolled in an approved program, and the test was eligible at time of enrollment. In such instances, scores will be valid for 12 months after program completion.</p> <p>**The Advanced Low score is the minimum that must be scored on both the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI or OPIC) and the Writing Proficiency Test (WPT).</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 1905: GENERAL MATH THROUGH ALGEBRA I (5-9)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5164: Middle School Math	157	175	

ENDORSEMENT: 2900: GENERAL SCIENCE (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5436: General Science	141	155	

ENDORSEMENT: 2905: GENERAL SCIENCE (5-9)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5442: Middle School Science	152	164	

ENDORSEMENT: 1908: GEOMETRY (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5163: Geometry	148	171	

ENDORSEMENT: 1200: GERMAN (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5183: World Languages: German OR ACTFL Exam for German**	160 Advanced Low	171	
<p>**Test Scores for the ACTFL Exams are only valid for two years from the test date as per ACTFL, unless candidate was continuously enrolled in an approved program, and the test was eligible at time of enrollment. In such instances, scores will be valid for 12 months after program completion.</p> <p>**The Advanced Low score is the minimum that must be scored on both the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI or OPIC) and the Writing Proficiency Test (WPT).</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 2205: HEALTH (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5551: Health Education	156	167	

ENDORSEMENT: 0615: INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
<p>** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 1250: JAPANESE (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5661: World Language: Japanese	156	169	
OR			
ACTFL Exam in Japanese**	Advanced Low		
<p>**Test Scores for the ACTFL Exams are only valid for two years from the test date as per ACTFL, unless candidate was continuously enrolled in an approved program, and the test was eligible at time of enrollment. In such instances, scores will be valid for 12 months after program completion.</p> <p>**The Advanced Low score is the minimum that must be scored on both the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI or OPIc) and the Writing Proficiency Test (WPT).</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 3300 JOURNALISM (5-Adult; 9-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
<p>** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 1300: LATIN (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5601: Latin	131	142	

ENDORSEMENT: 0710: MARKETING (9-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5561: Marketing Education	153	165	

ENDORSEMENT: 1900: MATHEMATICS (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5165: Mathematics: Content Knowledge (Calculator Required)	159	177	

ENDORSEMENT: 2000: MUSIC (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5113: Music Content Knowledge (Contains Listening Section)	155	167	

ENDORSEMENT: 3700: ORAL COMMUNICATION (5-Adult; 9-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5221: Speech Communication	150	160	

ENDORSEMENT: 2210: PHYSICAL EDUCATION (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult; 5-9)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5091: Physical Education: Content Knowledge	150	158	

ENDORSEMENT: 2500: PHYSICS (9-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5266: Physics	145	159	

3606: PRESCHOOL EDUCATION (Pre-k-Pre-k)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 4301: READING EDUCATION (Pre-k; K-6, 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 4300: READING SPECIALIST ² (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5302: Reading Specialist	165	177	
**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy. ** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 1400: RUSSIAN (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5671: Russian: World Language OR ACTFL Exam for Russian**	130 Advanced Low	143	
**Test Scores for the ACTFL Exams are only valid for two years from the test date as per ACTFL, unless candidate was continuously enrolled in an approved program, and the test was eligible at time of enrollment. In such instances, scores will be valid for 12 months after program completion. **The Advanced Low score is the minimum that must be scored on both the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI or OPIc) and the Writing Proficiency Test (WPT).			

ENDORSEMENT: 3440: SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5312: School Librarian	154	169	

ENDORSEMENT: 3000: SOCIAL STUDIES (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5581: Social Studies (Available September 1, 2024)	153	166	
OR			
5081: Social Studies: Content Knowledge (Until August 31, 2025)	148	158	

ENDORSEMENT: 3030: SOCIAL STUDIES (5-9)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5089: Middle School Social Studies	151	164	

ENDORSEMENT: 1500: SPANISH (PK-AD; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5195: Spanish: World Language	163	174	
OR			
ACTFL Exam for Spanish**	Advanced Low		

****Test Scores for the ACTFL Exams are only valid for two years from the test date as per ACTFL, unless candidate was continuously enrolled in an approved program, and the test was eligible at time of enrollment. In such instances, scores will be valid for 12 months after program completion.**

****The Advanced Low score is the minimum that must be scored on both the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI or OPIC) and the Writing Proficiency Test (WPT).**

ENDORSEMENT: 0608: TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5053: Technology and Engineering Education (Available September 1, 2024)	157	171	
OR			
5051: Technology Education (Until August 31, 2025)	159	170	

ENDORSEMENT: 1055: THEATRE (Pre-k-Adult-5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 2250: WELLNESS (Health and Physical Education Comprehensive) (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5857: Health and Physical Education: Content Knowledge	160	172	
OR			
5091: Physical Education AND 5551: Health Education	150 156	158 167	

²A Master's Degree is Required

Section B
Special Education Endorsements

ENDORSEMENT: 4116: AUTISM (Pre-k-Pre-k; Pre-k-K; K-6; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5355: Special Education Foundational Knowledge OR	145	159	
5354: Special Education: Content Knowledge and Applications (Until August 31, 2024) OR	151	161	
5543: Education of Exceptional Students: Mild to Moderate (Until August 31, 2024)	153	163	
<p>**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C). Pre-K-Pre-K endorsement is not an eligible for the WVBE-approved Alternative Certification Programs.</p> <p>**These exams are only after completion of a state-approved program in Autism exclusively and not just the six hours additional endorsement.</p> <p>***If the exam 5354 or 5543 was taken prior to August 31, 2024, it will still be accepted for licensure until September 1, 2024.</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 4117: DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5272: Deaf and Hard of Hearing AND **0634: American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ALSPI)	160 Level 2 (Through December 31, 2023) Level 2+ (Effective January 1, 2024)	171	
OR			
Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI)	Survival + (Through December 31, 2023) Intermediate (Effective January 1, 2024)		
**The 0634: ASLPI from Gallaudet University or the SLPI is not required for individuals continuously enrolled in a WVBE approved preparation program prior to September 1, 2021.			

ENDORSEMENT: 4112: EMOTIONAL/BEHAVIORAL DISTURBANCE (Excluding Autism) (K-6; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge	145	159	
OR			
5372: Special Education: Teaching Students with Behavioral Disorders/Emotional Disturbances (Until August 31, 2024)	154	164	
AND			
5354: Special Education: Content Knowledge & Applications (Until August 31, 2024)	151	161	
** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C). ***If the exam 5354 or 5372 was taken prior to August 31, 2024, it will still be accepted for licensure until September 1, 2024.			

ENDORSEMENT: 4500: GIFTED (1-12)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5358: Gifted Education	157	167	

ENDORSEMENT: 4113: INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES (K-6; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge	145	153	
OR			
5354: Special Education: Content Knowledge & Applications (Until August 31, 2024)	151	161	
<p>***As a result of change in federal law (Rosa's Law) effective August 10, 2017, Mentally Impaired Mild/Moderate is now known as Intellectual Disabilities.</p> <p>***If the exam 5354 was taken prior to August 31, 2024, it will still be accepted for licensure until September 1, 2024.</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 4115: MULTI-CATEGORICAL SPECIAL EDUCATION (BD, ID, SLD, DD) (K-6; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge	145	159	
OR			
5543: Education of Exceptional Students: Mild to Moderate (Until August 31, 2024)	153	163	
<p>***As a result of change in federal law (Rosa's Law) effective August 10, 2017, Mentally Impaired Mild/Moderate is now known as Intellectual Disabilities.</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 4122: PRESCHOOL SPECIAL NEEDS (Pre-k-k)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5692: Special Education: Early Childhood/Early Intervention	159	173	

ENDORSEMENT: 4104: SEVERE DISABILITIES (K-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5547 Special Education: Severe to Profound	156	170	
OR			
5545: Special Education Core Knowledge and Severe to Profound Applications (Until August 31, 2024)	158	167	

ENDORSEMENT: 4105: SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITIES (K-6; 5-AD)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge	145	159	
OR			
5383: Education of Exceptional Students: Learning Disabilities (Until August 31, 2024)	151	162	
AND			
5354: Special Education: Content Knowledge & Applications (Until August 31, 2024)	151	161	
** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C). ***If the exam 5354 or 5383 was taken prior to August 31, 2024, it will still be accepted for licensure until September 1, 2024.			

ENDORSEMENT: 4203: VISUAL IMPAIRMENT (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5282: Teaching Students with Visual Impairments	163	174	
AND			
0633: Braille Proficiency	169	183	

Section C
STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES SPECIALIZATIONS

ENDORSEMENT: 0005: SCHOOL COUNSELOR¹ (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5422: School Counselor	159	173	
**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy. ** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 3302: SCHOOL NURSE (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy. ** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 3800 SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST¹ (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5403: School Psychologist	155	169	
**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy. ** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 5005: SOCIAL SERVICES/ATTENDANCE (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
No Test Required	N/A	N/A	
**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy. ** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

ENDORSEMENT: 2310: SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST¹ (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5331: Speech Language Pathology	162	172	
**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy. ** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).			

¹A Master’s Degree is Required

Section D
ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIZATIONS

ENDORSEMENT: 0015: Principal¹ (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5412: Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision	146	158	
<p>**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy.</p> <p>** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).</p> <p>**If an individual is adding an endorsement to an existing Professional Administrative Certificate and has five years of Administrative Experience as a Principal, Supervisor, and/or Superintendent and the individual passed an older PRAXIS Exam that was required for West Virginia licensure, the prior PRAXIS Exam score will be accepted.</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 006: Supervisor of Instruction¹ (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5412: Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision	146	158	
<p>**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy.</p> <p>** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).</p> <p>**If an individual is adding an endorsement to an existing Professional Administrative Certificate and has five years of Administrative Experience as a Principal, Supervisor, and/or Superintendent and the individual passed an older PRAXIS Exam that was required for West Virginia licensure, the prior PRAXIS Exam score will be accepted.</p>			

ENDORSEMENT: 006: 001: Superintendent¹ (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score	¹SEM +2	
5412: Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision	146	158	
<p>**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option for adding an endorsement based upon content proficiency in WVBE Policy.</p> <p>** This endorsement is not eligible for the Alternative Teaching Certificate or enrollment in WVDE Alternative Certification Programs or programs pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a(a)(1)(C).</p> <p>**If an individual is adding an endorsement to an existing Professional Administrative Certificate and has five years of Administrative Experience as a Principal, Supervisor, and/or Superintendent and the individual passed an older PRAXIS Exam that was required for West Virginia licensure, the prior PRAXIS Exam score will be accepted.</p>			

edTPA Currently Approved Handbooks

West Virginia Endorsements	EdTPA Handbook Alignment	Rubrics	Minimum Passing Score
Agriculture 5-Adult	Agriculture Education	15	36
Algebra I 5-Adult	Secondary Mathematics	15	36
Algebra II 5-Adult	Secondary Mathematics	15	36
American Sign Language Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult	World Languages	13	31
Any Modern Foreign Language Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult	No handbook for this area		
Art Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult, 5-9	Visual Arts	15	36
Biology 9-Adult	Secondary Science	15	36
Business Education 5-Adult, 9-Adult	Business Education	15	36
Business Education/Marketing 5-Adult, 9-Adult	Business Education	15	36
Chemistry 9-Adult	Secondary Science	15	36
Chemistry/Physics 9-Adult	Secondary Science	15	36
Chinese Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult	World Languages	13	31
Computer Science Education Pre-k-Adult	No handbook for this area		
Dance Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult	K-12 Performing Arts	15	36
Driver Education 9-Adult	No handbook for this area		
Earth & Space Science 5-Adult	Secondary Science	15	36
Early Childhood Education K-4	Early Childhood Education OR Elementary Education: Literacy with Math Task 4 OR Elementary Mathematics OR Elementary Literacy OR <i>Elementary Education: Mathematics with Literacy Task 4.</i>	Early Childhood=15; Literacy with Math Task 4 and Math with Literacy Task 4=18 rubrics; Elementary Literacy and Elementary Math=15 rubrics	Early Childhood Education = 36; Elementary Education: Literacy with Math Task 4 = 43; Elementary Education: Mathematics with Literacy Task 4 = 43; Elementary Literacy = 36; Elementary Mathematics = 36
Early Education Pre-k-K	Early Childhood Education	15	36

Elementary Education K-6	Early Childhood Education OR Elementary Education: Literacy with Math Task 4 OR Elementary Mathematics OR Elementary Literacy OR <i>Elementary Education: Mathematics with Literacy Task 4.</i>	Early Childhood=15; Literacy with Math Task 4 and Math with Literacy Task 4= 18 rubrics; Elementary Literacy and Elementary Math= 15 rubrics	Early Childhood Education = 36; Elementary Education: Literacy with Math Task 4 = 43; Elementary Education: Mathematics with Literacy Task 4 = 43; Elementary Literacy = 36; Elementary Mathematics = 36
Elementary Mathematics Education K-6	Elementary Mathematics	15	36
Elementary Mathematics Specialization K-6	No handbook for this area		
Elementary Mathematics Specialist K-6	No handbook for this area		
English 5-Adult, 5-9	Middle Childhood English Language Arts OR Secondary English Language Arts	15	36
English as a Second Language Pre-k-Adult	English as an Additional Language	15	36
Family & Consumer Science 5-Adult	Family and Consumer Sciences	15	36
French Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult	World Languages	13	31
General Mathematics through Algebra I 5-9	Middle Childhood Mathematics OR Secondary Mathematics	15	36
General Science 5-9, 5-Adult	Middle Childhood Science OR Secondary Science	15	36
Geometry 5-Adult	Middle Childhood Mathematics OR Secondary Mathematics	15	36
German Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult	World Languages	13	31
Health Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult	Health Education	15	36
Instructional Technology Pre-k-Adult	Educational Technology Specialist	15	36
Japanese Pre-k-Adult, 5 Adult	World Languages	13	31
Journalism 5-Adult, 9-Adult	Secondary English Language Arts	15	36
Latin 5-Adult, Pre-k-Adult	Classical Languages	13	31
Marketing 9-Adult	Business Education	15	36

Mathematics (Comprehensive) 5-Adult	Middle Childhood Mathematics OR Secondary Mathematics	15	36
Music Pre-k-Adult	K-12 Performing Arts	15	36
Oral Communications 5-Adult, 9-Adult	Secondary English Language Arts	15	36
Physical Education Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult, 5-9	Physical Education	15	36
Physics 9-Adult	Secondary Science	15	36
Preschool Education Pre-k-Pre-k	Early Childhood Education	15	36
Reading Education Pre-k-K, K-6, 5-Adult	No handbook for this area		
Reading Specialist Pre-k-Adult	Literacy Specialist	15	36
Russian Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult	World Languages	13	31
School-Library Media Pre-k-Adult	School Librarian/Library Specialist	15	36
Social Studies 5-Adult, 5-9	Middle Childhood History/Social Studies OR Secondary History/Social Studies	15	36
Spanish Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult	World Languages	13	31
Technology Education 5-Adult	Technology and Engineering Education	15	36
Theatre Pre-k-Adult, 5-Adult	K-12 Performing Arts	15	36
Wellness (Health-Physical Education Combined Major) Pre-k-Adult	Health Education OR Physical Education	15	36
Autism Pre-k-Pre-k, K-6, 5-Adult	Special Education	15	36
Emotional/Behavior Disorders K-6, 5-Adult	Special Education	15	36
Gifted 1-12	Special Education	15	36
Deaf and Hard of Hearing Pre-k-Adult	Special Education	15	36
Intellectual Disabilities K-6, 5-Adult	Special Education	15	36
Multi-Categorical (E/BD, MI, SLD, excluding Autism) K-6, 5-Adult	Special Education	15	36
Preschool Special Needs Pre-k-K	Special Education	15	36
Severe Disabilities K-Adult	Special Education	15	36
Specific Learning Disabilities K-6, 5-Adult	Special Education	15	36
Visual Impairment Pre-k-Adult	Special Education	15	36

Important Information: Refer to the WV Licensure Testing Directory most recently approved by the WVBE for the most up to date information on required scores AND for passing scores. Please note applicants under a restricted waiver and/or flexible provisions will be required to meet the specific scores based on those flexibilities that will differ from the above-listed scores (see page 2 of the Directory). Program participants of WVBE-approved educator preparation programs must use the handbook approved by the program provider to ensure the handbook is accepted for successful program completion prior to registering for the assessment. For individuals who completed an out of

state program or a WVBE-approved pathway which did not include a TPA and the applicant received a non-transferrable Professional Teaching Certificate, this assessment (in their endorsement area) may be taken by registering as someone who is unaffiliated with a program to fulfill the TPA requirement for conversion to the transferrable certificate.