

**Guidance Document: Additional Professional Teaching Certificate Endorsement  
Based on Content Proficiency  
Effective October 1, 2025**

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As the West Virginia Licensure Testing Directory is revised and ETS updates assessments, this list will also be updated. The exams and scores identified on this list do not supersede information found on the West Virginia Licensure Testing Directory.

Registration for Assessments: Visit <https://www.ets.org>. Go to “The Praxis Series Tests” and select West Virginia for our state’s requirements. Click on the endorsement area (Elementary Education, Special Education, etc.) you are seeking and then find the registration information, Assessment sites, and Assessment dates.

The option to add endorsements based upon completing WVBE-required content Praxis Exams is only available to individuals who hold a valid Professional Teaching Certificate, not a Provisional Teaching Certificate, Student Support Certificate, Administrative Certificate, or Permits of any type.

The ACTFL Exams for Foreign Language will only be valid for two years from the Assessment date as per ACTFL.

**SECTION A**  
**GENERAL EDUCATION SPECIALIZATIONS**

ENDORSEMENT: 1950: ALGEBRA I (5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5162: Algebra I	157		

ENDORSEMENT: 1550: AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (PreK-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
0634: American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ALSPI)	Level 4		
OR			
Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI)	Advanced Plus		
<b>**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</b>			

ENDORSEMENT: 0300: ART (Pre-k-AD; 5-Adult; 5-9)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5134: Art Content Knowledge	158		

ENDORSEMENT: 2600: BIOLOGY (9-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5236: Biology Content Knowledge	154		

ENDORSEMENT: 0600 BUSINESS EDUCATION (5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5101: Business Education	157		

ENDORSEMENT: 2700: CHEMISTRY (9-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5246: Chemistry	146		

ENDORSEMENT: 1275: CHINESE (5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5665: Chinese (Mandarin)	164		
<b>OR</b>			
ACTFL Exam for Chinese (Mandarin)**	Advanced Low		
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<b>ENDORSEMENT: 7213: COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Pre-k-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5652: Computer Science	149		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 3601: EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (K-4)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5024: Education of Young Children (Until August 31, 2026)	160		
OR			
5534: Early Childhood Education: Foundational Knowledge and Content	163		
AND			
5205: Teaching Reading: Elementary Education (TREE)	159		
A passing score on the 5302 Reading Specialist assessment exempts this additional teaching reading assessment requirement, when the candidate holds the Reading Specialist Endorsement.			

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 3603: EARLY EDUCATION (PreK-K)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5531: PreK-Kindergarten Education	155		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 2910: EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE (5-AD)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5572: Earth and Space Science	154		

ENDORSEMENT 3600: ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (K-6)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5001: Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects  OR  7811: Elementary Education: Content Knowledge for Teaching (CKT)	<b>**Must obtain a passing score in each subsection (4 sections)</b>  <b>*May combine sections from both Assessments (5001 and 7811) to satisfy this requirement</b>		<u>ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.</u>
5002: Reading and Language Arts OR 7812: Reading and Language Arts (CKT) <b>AND</b> 5003: Mathematics OR 7813: Mathematics (CKT) <b>AND</b> 5004: Social Studies OR 7815: Social Studies (CKT) <b>AND</b> 5005: Science OR 7814: Science (CKT)	157  161  157  150  155  161  159  154		
5205: Teaching Reading Elementary Education (Professional Education Assessment)	159		

ENDORSEMENT: 1000: ENGLISH (5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5038: English Language Arts: Content Knowledge	167		ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.

ENDORSEMENT: 1030: ENGLISH (5-9)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5047: Middle School English Language Arts	164		ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.

ENDORSEMENT: 1050: ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (PreK-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5362: English to Speakers of Other Languages	155		

ENDORSEMENT: 1706: FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE (5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5123: Family and Consumer Sciences	151		

ENDORSEMENT: 1100: FRENCH (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5174: World Languages: French	160		
<b>OR</b>			
ACTFL Exam in French**	Advanced Low		
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<b>ENDORSEMENT: 1905: GENERAL MATH THROUGH ALGEBRA I (5-9)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5164: Middle School Math	157		ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 2900: GENERAL SCIENCE (5-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5436: General Science	141		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 2905: GENERAL SCIENCE (5-9)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5442: Middle School Science	152		ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 1908: GEOMETRY (5-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5163: Geometry	148		

ENDORSEMENT: 1200: GERMAN (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5183: World Languages: German	160		
<b>OR</b>			
ACTFL Exam for German**	Advanced Low		
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ENDORSEMENT: 2205: HEALTH (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5551: Health Education	156		

ENDORSEMENT: 1250: JAPANESE (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5661: World Language: Japanese	156		
<b>OR</b>			
ACTFL Exam in Japanese**	Advanced Low		
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ENDORSEMENT: 3300 JOURNALISM (5-Adult; 9-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5224: Journalism	153		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 1300: LATIN (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5601: Latin	131		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 0710: MARKETING (9-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5561: Marketing Education	153		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 1900: MATHEMATICS (5-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5165: Mathematics: Content Knowledge (Calculator Required)	159		ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 2000: MUSIC (Pre-k-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5113: Music Content Knowledge (Contains Listening Section)	155		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 3700: ORAL COMMUNICATION (5-Adult; 9-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5221: Speech Communication	150		



<b>ENDORSEMENT: 2210: PHYSICAL EDUCATION (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult; 5-9)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5091: Physical Education: Content Knowledge	150		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 2500: PHYSICS (9-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5266: Physics	145		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 1400: RUSSIAN (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5671: Russian: World Language	130		
<b>OR</b>			
ACTFL Exam for Russian**	Advanced Low		
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<b>ENDORSEMENT: 3440: SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA (Pre-k-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5312: School Librarian	154		

ENDORSEMENT: 3030: SOCIAL STUDIES (5-9)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5089: Middle School Social Studies (Until August 21, 2026)	151		
OR			
5589: Middle School Social Studies (Available September 1, 2025)	149		

ENDORSEMENT: 3000: SOCIAL STUDIES (5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5581: Social Studies	153		ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.

ENDORSEMENT: 1500: SPANISH (PK-AD; 5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5195: Spanish: World Language	163		
OR			
ACTFL Exam for Spanish**	Advanced Low		
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ENDORSEMENT: 0608: TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION (5-Adult)			
Assessment Number and Name	Required Score		
5053: Technology and Engineering Education	157		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 1055: THEATRE (Pre-k-Adult-5-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5641: Theatre	153		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 2250: WELLNESS (Health and Physical Education Comprehensive) (Pre-k-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5857: Health and Physical Education: Content Knowledge	160		
<b>OR</b>			
5091: Physical Education <b>AND</b>	150		
5551: Health Education	156		

**Section B**  
**Special Education Endorsements**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ENDORSEMENT: 4117: DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING (Pre-k-Adult)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ENDORSEMENT 4118: DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING (BASIC SIGNING SKILLS)</b> <b>BELOW LEVEL 2+ ON ASLPI OR BELOW INTERMEDIATE ON SLPI</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ENDORSEMENT: 4119 DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING (PROFICIENT SIGNING SKILLS)</b> <b>LEVEL 2+ AND ABOVE ON ASLPI OR INTERMEIDATE AND ABOVE ON SLPI</b></p>			
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<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5272: Deaf and Hard of Hearing  <b>AND</b>  **0634: American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI)  <b>OR</b>  Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI)	160          Level 2+          Intermediate		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 4112: EMOTIONAL/BEHAVIORAL DISTURBANCE (Excluding Autism) (K-6; 5-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge	145		ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 4500: GIFTED (1-12)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5358: Gifted Education	157		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 4113: INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES (K-6; 5-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge	145		
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.			

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 4115: MULTI-CATEGORICAL SPECIAL EDUCATION (BD, ID, SLD, DD) (K-6; 5-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge	145		ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.
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<b>ENDORSEMENT: 4122: PRESCHOOL SPECIAL NEEDS (Pre-k-k)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5692: Special Education: Early Childhood/Early Intervention	159		

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 4104: SEVERE DISABILITIES (K-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5547 Special Education: Severe to Profound	156		ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 4105: SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITIES (K-6; 5-AD)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge	145		ETS Praxis Bridge Option NOT available to add endorsements based upon content proficiency.

<b>ENDORSEMENT: 4203: VISUAL IMPAIRMENT (Pre-k-Adult)</b>			
<b>Assessment Number and Name</b>	<b>Required Score</b>		
5282: Teaching Students with Visual Impairments	163		
<b>AND</b>			
0633: Braille Proficiency	169		