

West Virginia Licensure Testing Directory

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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.

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 one grade-level appropriate WVBE-adopted Principles of Learning and Teaching Praxis II as described below or an Educational Teacher Performance Assessment (EdTPA).

PRINCIPLES OF LEARNING AND TEACHING EXAM REQUIREMENTS

ENDORSEMENT PROGRAMMATIC LEVEL	PLT 5622	PLT 5623		PLT 5624
Pre-K-Adult	X		OR	X
K-6	X			
5-9		X		
5-Adult				X
9-Adult				X

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

EXAM REQUIREMENTS

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 (Available until August 31, 2020)	156	
5713 Reading (Available Beginning September 1, 2019)	156	
5722 Writing (Available until August 31, 2020)	162	
5723 Writing (Available Beginning September 1, 2019)	162	
5732 Mathematics (Available until August 31, 2020)	150	
5733 Mathematics (Available Beginning September 1, 2019)	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 (See Requirements on Previous Page)	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	

SECTION A
General Education Specializations

0201: AGRICULTURE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5701 Agriculture	147	

1550: AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (PreK-Adult)**			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	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	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5134 Art: Content Knowledge	158	

2600: BIOLOGY			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5235 Biology: Content Knowledge	152	

0600: BUSINESS EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5101 Business Education	157	

0603: BUSINESS EDUCATION/MARKETING			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5101 Business Education AND	157	
	5561 Marketing Education	153	

2700: CHEMISTRY			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5245 Chemistry Content Knowledge	157	

1275: CHINESE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	No Test Required	N/A	

7213: COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5651: Computer Science (Until August 31, 2019) OR	171	
	5652: Computer Science (Effective September 1, 2019)	149	

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 (Available until September 1, 2020) OR	162	
	5205: Teaching Reading: Elementary Education (Available after September 1, 2019)	159	

***A Passing Score on the PRAXIS EXAM #5301 Reading Specialist exempts this additional reading exam requirement. Educator must have the Reading Specialist Endorsement.**

3603: EARLY EDUCATION (PreK-K)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5531 PreK-Kindergarten Education	155	

2910: EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE (5-AD)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score</i>
	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	<i>Previous Score¹ Effective Until August 31, 2015</i>
	5001: Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects	**Must obtain a passing score in each subsection	<i>5031 Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects**</i>
	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 (Available until September 1, 2020) (*A passing score on the 5301 Reading Specialist exam exempts this additional reading exam requirement. Educator must have the Reading Specialist Endorsement)	162	
5205: Teaching Reading: Elementary Education (Available after September 1, 2019) (*A passing score on the 5301 Reading Specialist exam exempts this additional reading exam requirement. Educator must have the Reading Specialist Endorsement)	159		

1920: ELEMENTARY MATHEMATICS SPECIALIZATION (K-6)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	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	
**Requires a Master's Degree in Elementary Math Specialist			

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

1030: 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 5361: English as a Second Language

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	146 5121 Home Economics Education

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

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

1905: GENERAL MATH THROUGH ALGEBRA I			
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	

2905: GENERAL SCIENCE (5-9)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5440 Middle School Science	150	

1908: GEOMETRY			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score <i>Effective September 1, 2019</i>	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5163 Geometry	148

1200: GERMAN			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5183 World Languages: German	160

2205: HEALTH			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		5551 Health Education	156

0615: INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		No Test Required	N/A

1250: JAPANESE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
		No Test Required	N/A

3900: JOURNALISM			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	No Test Required		

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	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5221 Speech Communication	150	

2210: PHYSICAL EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5091 Physical Education: Content Knowledge	150	

2500: PHYSICS			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5265 Physics: Content Knowledge	126	

3606: PRESCHOOL EDUCATION (PreK-PreK)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	No Test Required	N/A	

4301: READING EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	No Test Required		

4300: READING SPECIALIST¹			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5301 Reading Specialist**	164	
**This endorsement is not eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.2 of this policy.			

1400: RUSSIAN			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	No Required Test	N/A	

3440: SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5311 School Library Media Specialist	138	

3000: SOCIAL STUDIES (5-Adult)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5081 Social Studies: Content Knowledge	148	

3030: SOCIAL STUDIES (5-9)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5089 Middle School Social Studies	151	

1500: SPANISH PK-AD			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5195 World Languages: Spanish	163	

0608: TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5051 Technology Education	159	

1055: THEATRE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	No Test Required	N/A	

2250: WELLNESS (PreK-Adult) Health and Physical Education Comprehensive			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
	5857: Health and Physical Education: Content Knowledge OR	160	
	5091: Physical Education AND	150	
	5551: Health Education	156	

SECTION B
SPECIAL EDUCATION SPECIALIZATIONS

4116: AUTISM			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
		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 21.2 of WVBE Policy 5202.			

4112: BEHAVIOR DISORDERS (Excluding Autism)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
		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	Previous Score ¹
		5272: Deaf and Hard of Hearing	160
**This endorsement IS NOT eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.2 of WVBE Policy 5202.			

4500: GIFTED			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	Previous Score ¹
		5358: Gifted Education	157

4113: MENTALLY IMPAIRED (MILD/MODERATE)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	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	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5543 Education of Exceptional Students: Mild to Moderate	153	

4122: PRESCHOOL SPECIAL NEEDS (PreK-K)			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5691 Preschool/Early Childhood	159	

4104: SEVERE DISABILITIES			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5545 Special Education Core Knowledge and Severe to Profound Applications	158	

4105: SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITIES			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	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 21.2 of WVBE Policy 5202.			

SECTION C
ADMINISTRATIVE AND STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES SPECIALIZATIONS

0015: PRINCIPAL¹			
0006: SUPERVISOR OF INSTRUCTION¹			
0001: SUPERINTENDENT¹			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5411 Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision (Until August 31, 2019) OR	141	
	5412 Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision (Effective September 1, 2019)	146	
**This endorsement IS NOT eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.2 of WVBE Policy 5202.			

0005: SCHOOL COUNSELOR¹			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5421 School Guidance and Counseling (Contains Listening Section)	156	
**This endorsement IS NOT eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.2 of WVBE Policy 5202.			

3302: SCHOOL NURSE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	No Test Required	N/A	
**This endorsement IS NOT eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.2 of WVBE Policy 5202.			
	Valid West Virginia RN Licensure		

3800: SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST¹			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5402 School Psychologist	147	
**This endorsement IS NOT eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.2 of WVBE Policy 5202.			

5005: SOCIAL SERVICES/ATTENDANCE			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	No Test Required	N/A	
**This endorsement IS NOT eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.2 of WVBE Policy 5202.			

2311: SPEECH ASSISTANT			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	No Test Required	N/A	
**This endorsement IS NOT eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.2 of WVBE Policy 5202.			

2310: SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST¹			
Required Praxis II Content Test and Score		Current Score	<i>Previous Score¹</i>
	5331 Speech Language Pathology	162	
**This endorsement IS NOT eligible to be added to a professional certificate under the option in section 21.2 of WVBE Policy 5202.			

¹A Master's Degree is Required