

**Guidance Document: Additional Professional Teaching Certificate Endorsement
Via PRAXIS II Content Exam
Effective November 8, 2023**

As the West Virginia Licensure Testing Directory is revised and ETS.org updates tests, 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 tests: 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, testing sites, and testing 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.

****Please note:** The ACTFL Exams for Foreign Language will only be valid for two years from the test date.

SECTION A
GENERAL EDUCATION SPECIALIZATIONS

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

ENDORSEMENT: 1550: AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (PreK-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
0634: American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ALSPI)	Level 4		
OR			
Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI)	Advanced Plus		
**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		
5134: Art Content Knowledge	158		

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

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

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

ENDORSEMENT: 1275: CHINESE (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5665: Chinese (Mandarin)	164		
OR			
ACTFL Exam for Chinese (Mandarin)**	Advanced Low		

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ENDORSEMENT: 7213: COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5652: Computer Science	149		

ENDORSEMENT: 3601: EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (K-4)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5024: Education of Young Children	160		
AND			
(Professional Education Assessment)	159		
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		
5531: PreK-Kindergarten Education	155		

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

ENDORSEMENT: ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (K-6)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
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 OR 7812: Reading and Language Arts (CKT) AND 5003: Mathematics OR 7813: Mathematics (CKT) AND 5004: Social Studies OR 7815: Social Studies (CKT) AND 5005: Science OR 7814: Science (CKT)	157 161 157 150 155 161 159 154		
5205: Teaching Reading Elementary Education (Professional Education Assessment) Effective July 1, 2024	159		

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

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

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

ENDORSEMENT: 1706: FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5122: Family and Consumer Science	153		

ENDORSEMENT: 1100: FRENCH (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5174: World Languages: French	160		
OR			
ACTFL Exam in French**	Advanced Low		
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ENDORSEMENT: 1905: GENERAL MATH THROUGH ALGEBRA I (5-9)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5164: Middle School Math	157		

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

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

ENDORSEMENT: 1908: GEOMETRY (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5163: Geometry	148		

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

ENDORSEMENT: 1250: JAPANESE (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5661: World Language: Japanese	156		
OR			
ACTFL Exam in Japanese**	Advanced Low		
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ENDORSEMENT: 1300: LATIN (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5601: Latin	131		

ENDORSEMENT: 0710: MARKETING (9-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5561: Marketing Education	153		

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

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

ENDORSEMENT: 3700: ORAL COMMUNICATION (5-Adult; 9-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		

5221: Speech Communication	150		
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ENDORSEMENT: 2210: PHYSICAL EDUCATION (Pre-k-Adult; 5-Adult; 5-9)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5091: Physical Education: Content Knowledge	150		

ENDORSEMENT: 2500: PHYSICS (9-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5266: Physics	145		

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

ENDORSEMENT: 3000: SOCIAL STUDIES (5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5081: Social Studies: Content Knowledge	148		

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

ENDORSEMENT: 1500: SPANISH (PK-AD; 5-Adult)			
Test 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)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5051: Technology Education	159		

ENDORSEMENT: 2250: WELLNESS (Health and Physical Education Comprehensive) (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5857: Health and Physical Education: Content Knowledge	160		
OR			
5091: Physical	150		

Education AND 5551: Health Education	156		
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Section B
Special Education Endorsements

ENDORSEMENT: 4117: DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5272: Deaf and Hard of Hearing AND **0634: American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI)	160 Level 2 (Through December 31, 2023) Level 2+ (Effective January 1, 2024)		
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		
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge (Available September 1, 2023)	145		
OR			
5372: Special Education: Teaching Students with Behavioral Disorders/Emotional Disturbances (Until August 31, 2024)	154		
AND			
5354: Special Education: Content Knowledge & Applications (Until August 31, 2024)	151		
** 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		
5358: Gifted Education	157		

ENDORSEMENT: 4113: INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES (K-6; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge (Available September 1, 2023)	145		
OR			
5354: Special Education: Content Knowledge & Applications (Until August 31, 2024)	151		
***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. ***If the exam 5354 was taken prior to August 31, 2024, it will still be accepted for licensure until September 1, 2024.			

ENDORSEMENT: 4115: MULTI-CATEGORICAL SPECIAL EDUCATION (BD, ID, SLD, DD) (K-6; 5-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge (Available September 1, 2023)	145		
OR			
5543: Education of Exceptional Students: Mild to Moderate (Until August 31, 2024)	153		
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ENDORSEMENT: 4122: PRESCHOOL SPECIAL NEEDS (Pre-k-k)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5692: Special Education: Early Childhood/Early Intervention	159		
OR			
5691: Preschool/Early Childhood (Until August 31, 2024)	159		

ENDORSEMENT: 4104: SEVERE DISABILITIES (K-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5547 Special Education: Severe to Profound (Available September 1, 2023)	156		
OR			
5545: Special Education Core Knowledgeand Severe to Profound Applications (Until August 31, 2024)	158		

ENDORSEMENT: 4105: SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITIES (K-6; 5-AD)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5355 Special Education Foundational Knowledge (Available September 1, 2023)	145		
OR			
5383: Education of Exceptional Students: Learning Disabilities (Until August 31, 2024)	151		
AND			
5354: Special Education: Content Knowledge & Applications (Until August 31, 2024)	151		
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ENDORSEMENT: 4203: VISUAL IMPAIRMENT (Pre-k-Adult)			
Test Number and Name	Required Score		
5282: Teaching Students with Visual Impairments	163		
AND			
0633: Braille Proficiency	169		