

Teacher Testing (Updated 11.18.22)

Testing Required for Entering a Teacher Certification Program

NOTE: Act 55 of 2022 Basic Skills Assessment Moratorium

Act 55 of 2022 signed into law by Governor Wolf on July 8, 2022 requires the Secretary of Education to waive the requirement to satisfactorily complete the assessment of basic skills required under section 1207.3 and 22 Pa. Code § 49.18(c) (relating to assessment) for 3 years from July 8, 2022 through July 8, 2025. This applies to all students who enter preparation programs during this period as well as otherwise qualified candidates for licensure who make application during this period.

Additional Certification Testing

Additional Testing Required Before Applying for Your Certificate

Pre-K-4 (Pearson modules 1, 2, 3)

- Module 1(8006) Child development, assessment, professionalism passing score is 197
- Module 2 (8007) Language.social studies, arts passing score is 193
- Module 3 (8008) math,science, health passing score is 193

Please see <http://www.pa.nesinc.com>. Use this website for all of the information you may need concerning the tests. (Both three-hour tests are online; each can be taken, and retaken, if needed, in parts) With either option **MAKE SURE THAT BOTH BUCKNELL & PDE ARE NAMED AS SCORE RECIPIENTS.**

Secondary and K-12 Certification Areas

- Biology— PRAXIS Biology: Content Knowledge
- Chemistry— PRAXIS Chemistry: Content Knowledge
- English— PRAXIS English Language Arts: Content Knowledge
- General Science— PRAXIS General Science: Content Knowledge
- Mathematics— PRAXIS Mathematics: Content Knowledge
- Physics— PRAXIS Physics: Content Knowledge
- Social Studies— PRAXIS Social Studies: Content Knowledge
- French— ACTFL French OPI & WPT and PRAXIS Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge

- Spanish— ACTFL Spanish OPI & WPT and PRAXIS Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge
- Art Education — PRAXIS Art: Content Knowledge, Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge
- Music — PRAXIS Music: Content Knowledge, Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge

For information regarding testing and registration:

Pearson PECT: <http://www.pa.nesinc.com/>

ETS PRAXIS: <https://www.ets.org/praxis/>

ACTFL: <https://www.actfl.org/>

Every effort is made to provide the most up to date testing requirements for PA certification. It is your responsibility to confirm required tests on the Pearson and ETS websites. Please note that other states may have different testing requirements, or different cut scores for the same tests. Information about other states' requirements can be found by searching the STATE Department of Education website.