

Updates received July 14, 2016

- Passing the PAPA pre-service tests in Reading, Writing, and Math (**new qualifying score is 193**), effective March 2016, candidates may combine individual tests from different vendors to meet the basic skills requirement. The policy is retroactive for all open applications.
- SAT no score in an individual section (Critical Reading, Writing, Mathematics) less than 500. Students may not combine section scores from different tests but they may use their best score earned from one test administration. A student who presents an SAT score as noted above will be deemed to have met the requirement and be exempt from taking the PAPA assessment.
- ACT as of Sept. 2015 required separate scores of Reading-22, Mathematics-21 and writing-21.

PreK-4 certification

PAPA (Pre-service Academic Performance Assessment) (Reading, Writing, Math) AND

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**

<http://www.pa.nesinc.com>. Please 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 students

PAPA (Pre-service Academic Performance Assessment) (Reading, Writing, Math) or alternate

<http://www.pa.nesinc.com> AND Praxis content test (ETS) <http://www.ets.org/praxis>; K-12 must also take ETS Fundamental Subjects test (0511).

REQUIRED CONTENT TESTS (as of 07/13)*

K-12 CERTIFICATION	SECONDARY 7-12 (BOLDED CHANGED AS OF 9/13)
Art Content Knowledge (0134)	
World Languages	Biology (0235/5235)
ACTFL OPI (Oral Proficiency Interview) or OPIc (computer version) OR Praxis content tests	Chemistry: Content Knowledge (0245/5245) Earth & Spaces Sciences: Content Knowledge (0571/5571)

<p>French :World Languages (5174) German: World Languages (5183) Spanish World Languages (5195)</p> <p>Music: Content Knowledge (0113/5113)</p>	<p>English Language Arts : Content Knowledge (5038) (as of 9/13)</p> <p>General Science: Content Knowledge (0435)</p> <p>Mathematics: Content Knowledge (5161) (as of 9/13)</p> <p>Physics: Content Knowledge (0265/5265)</p> <p>Social Studies: Content Knowledge (0081/5081)</p>
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- 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.

Pearson Test center (for PAPA and Pre-K tests)

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- Bloomsburg University of PA 400 East Second Street Suite 2203 MCHS Bloomsburg, PA 17815