



EDUCATOR LICENSURE EXAMS

To obtain a license to teach in the District of Columbia, applicants must provide evidence of successful completion of required state licensure exams. For teaching and pupil services subjects the District of Columbia requires the completion of the Praxis series administered by the Educational Testing Service (ETS). For the area of school principal and assistant principal we require completion of the School Leadership Series exam administered by ETS. The required examinations for each licensing area are listed below. In some instances license holders from other states/jurisdictions may qualify for a testing exemption or waiver. For information regarding these exemptions, please visit our [Interstate Licensure Agreement](#) and [Endorsement licensure](#) webpages.

Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators		
Testing Area	Test Code	Required Score
All Three Subtests (Reading, Writing & Math)	5751 (use this code if you are registering to take all three sub tests during the same testing session)	See below
Reading	5712 (use this code if you are registering for this specific sub test)	156
Writing	5722 (use this code if you are registering for this specific sub test)	162
Mathematics	5732 (use this code if you are registering for this specific sub test)	150
Subject Assessments: Content Knowledge, Principles of Learning & Teaching (PLT) and Pedagogy exams		
Licensure Area	Test Name (code)	Required Score
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CREDENTIAL	School Leaders Licensure Assessment (6011)	163
*All teaching subject areas where a content knowledge exam has not been adopted, applicants must take and pass the applicable PLT exam matching the grade level of the license being sought	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Early Childhood (5621)	157
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades K-6 (5622)	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9 (5623)	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (5624)	157
ART (K-12); PERFORMING ARTS - VISUAL ARTS (K-12)	Content Knowledge (0134/5134) Principles of Learning & Teaching**	158
BIOLOGY (7-12)	Content Knowledge (0235/5235)	150
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	157
BILINGUAL EDUCATION (K-12)	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	
BILINGUAL SPECIAL EDUCATION (K-12)	Core Knowledge & Applications (0354/5354)	151
	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	
BUSINESS (7-12)	Content Knowledge (0101/5101)	154
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	157
CHEMISTRY (7-12)	Content Knowledge (0245/5245)	152
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	157
CHINESE (K-12)	Chinese (Mandarin): World Language (5665)	164
	World Languages Pedagogy (0841)	158
COMPUTER EDUCATION LABORATORY TEACHER (K-12)	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	

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COMPUTER SCIENCE (7-12)	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	157
EARLY CHILDHOOD (PreK-3)	Content Knowledge (0022/5022) Principles of Learning & Teaching: Early Childhood (0621/5621)	165 157
EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION (PreK-3)	Special Ed: Pre-School/Early Childhood (0691/5691) Principles of Learning & Teaching: Early Childhood (0621/5621)	159 157
ELEMENTARY (1-6)	Elementary: Multiple Subjects (*5031) *This test code includes all sub-tests for this exam. A passing score is required for each sub-test. If a passing score is not achieved for a specific sub-test, you may register to retake that sub-test by using the codes listed below.	See required scores for each sub-test listed below.
	Sub-test codes for retakes only – use the codes below when registering to retake one or more specific sub-tests	
	- Reading/Language Arts (5032)	165
	- Mathematics (5033)	164
	- Social Studies (5034)	155
	- Science (5035)	159
	Pedagogy: Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades K-6 (0622/5622)	160
ENGLISH (7-12)	Content Knowledge (5038) Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	167 157
ENGLISH as a SECOND LANGUAGE (K-12)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (0361) Principles of Learning & Teaching**	141
FOREIGN LANGUAGES with no adopted content knowledge exams (K-12)	World Languages Pedagogy (0841)	158
FRENCH (K-12)	French: World Language (5174) World Languages Pedagogy (0841)	162 158
GENERAL SCIENCE (7-12)	Content Knowledge (0435/5435) Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	157 157
GERMAN (K-12)	German: World Language (5183) World Languages Pedagogy (0841)	163 158
GIFTED & TALENTED EDUCATION (K-12)	Gifted Education (5358/0358)	157
HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION (K-12)	Content Knowledge (0856/5856) Principles of Learning & Teaching**	156
HOME ECONOMICS (7-12)	Family and Consumer Science (0121/5121) Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	159 157
LATIN (K-12)	Content Knowledge (0601) World Languages Pedagogy (0841)	152 158

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MARKETING (7-12)	Marketing Education (0561)	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	157
MATHEMATICS (7-12)	Content Knowledge (5161)	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	157
MIDDLE SCHOOL ENGLISH (4-8)	Content Knowledge (5047)	164
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9 (0623/5623)	160
MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS (4-8)	Content Knowledge (5169)	165
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9 (0623/5623)	160
MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE (4-8)	Content Knowledge (0439)	150
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9 (0623/5623)	160
MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES (4-8)	Content Knowledge (0089/5089)	155
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9 (0623/5623)	160
MUSIC - INSTRUMENTAL OR VOCAL (K-12)	Content Knowledge (5113)	161
PERFORMING ARTS – MUSIC (K-12)	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	
PERFORMING ARTS - DRAMA & THEATER (K-12)	Content Knowledge (0641)	157
	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	
PERFORMING ARTS DANCE (K-12)	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	
PHYSICS (7-12)	Content Knowledge (0265/5265)	143
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	157
READING	Reading Specialist (0301/5301)	164
SCHOOL COUNSELOR	Professional School Counselor (0421/5421)	156
SCHOOL LIBRARIAN	Library Media Specialist (0311/5311)	151
SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST	School Psychologist (0402/5402)	147
SOCIAL STUDIES (7-12)	Content Knowledge (0081/5081)	155
	Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12 (0624/5624)	157
SPANISH (K-12)	Spanish: World Language (5195)	168
	World Languages Pedagogy (0841)	158
SPECIAL EDUCATION: NON-CATEGORICAL (K-12)	Core Knowledge & Applications (0354/5354)	151
	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	
SPECIAL EDUCATION: CATEGORICAL HEARING IMPAIRMENTS (K-12)	Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students (0272/ 5272)	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	
SPECIAL EDUCATION: CATEGORICAL VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS (K-12)	Teaching Stud. w/ Visual Impairments (0282/5282)	163
	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	
SPECIAL EDUCATION: CATEGORICAL LEARNING DISABILITIES (K-12)	Teaching Stud. w/Learning Disabilities (0383/5383)	151
	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	
SPECIAL EDUCATION: CATEGORICAL EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCE (K-12)	Stu. w/ Beh. Disorders & Emotional Dist. (0372/5372)	154
	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	
SPECIAL EDUCATION: CATEGORICAL MENTAL RETARDATION (K-12)	Teach. Stu. w/Intellectual Disabilities (0322/5322)	156
	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	

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**PRINCIPLES OF LEARNING & TEACHING EXAMS

**For ALL teaching licensure areas (except foreign language), applicants must successfully pass one (1) of the Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) exams that matches the grade level of the license being sought as listed below.

Exam	Exam Code	Passing Score	Previous Exam Code	Passing Score
Principles of Learning & Teaching: Early Childhood	0621/5621	157	0521	169
Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades K-6	0622/5622	160	0522	168
Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 5-9	0623/5623	160	0523	165
Principles of Learning & Teaching: Grades 7-12	0624/5624	157	0524	162

For more detailed information regarding registration procedures, fees/fee waivers, test preparation materials, etc., please contact the Educational Testing Service (ETS) at:

www.ets.org/praxis or 1-800-772-9476 or 1-609-771-7395



**SCORE RECOGNITION SCHEDULE FOR DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TEACHER LICENSURE EXAMS
THAT HAVE BEEN DROPPED, DISCONTINUED OR REGENERATED**

The District of Columbia recognizes that there are applicants who have achieved passing scores on licensure exams that have since been dropped, discontinued, or regenerated (ETS test updating process). In these instances, passing licensure exam scores will be acceptable for a period not to exceed three (3) calendar years after the date an exam has been dropped, discontinued or regenerated.

Below is a chart of acceptable exams for subject areas that include a previously required exam(s), and the score recognition schedule. Applicants who possess test names/codes and scores that DO NOT match the exams listed on this chart, will be required to provide passing scores for currently required exams.

PRAXIS I & OTHER BASIC SKILLS TEST ALTERNATIVES										
Test Name				Test Code	Score	Date Dropped	Date Accepted Until			
CBT: Reading				0711	319	9/1/2013	8/31/2016			
CBT: Writing				0721	316	9/1/2013	8/31/2016			
CBT: Mathematics				0731	319	9/1/2013	8/31/2016			
PPST: Reading				0710/5710	172	9/1/2013	8/31/2016			
PPST: Writing				0720/5720	171	9/1/2013	8/31/2016			
PPST: Mathematics				0730/5730	174	9/1/2013	8/31/2016			
Praxis I Composite - must have the following minimum scores to qualify for using the composite: Reading: 168 PPST; 314 CBT Writing: 165 PPST; 307 CBT Mathematics: 169 PPST; 314 CBT				N/A	PPST: 517 CBT: 954	9/1/2013	8/31/2016			
<p>In lieu of completing the Praxis I, individuals may submit scores from the SAT, ACT and/or GRE that meet one of the below options. The Drop and Accepted Until dates for these equivalent scores are reflected above.</p>										
Test Name	Testing Area	Combined Score		Test Name	Score		Test Name	Testing Area	Score	
1	ACT	Composite	20	AND	PPST Writing; OR CBT Writing	171 316	OR	GRE	Writing	3.5
2	SAT	Verbal & Math	960	AND	PPST Writing; OR CBT Writing	171 316	OR	GRE	Writing	3.5
3	SAT (pre-2005)	Verbal & Math	850	AND	PPST Writing; OR CBT Writing	171 316	OR	GRE	Writing	3.5
4	GRE	Verbal & Quantitative	288	AND	PPST Writing; OR CBT Writing	171 316	OR	GRE	Writing	3.5
5	GRE (pre-2012)	Verbal & Quantitative	870	AND	PPST Writing; OR CBT Writing	171 316	OR	GRE	Writing	3.5

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PRAXIS II – SUBJECT AREA ASSESSMENTS					
Licensure Area	Test Name	Test Code	Score	Date Dropped / Regenerated	Date Accepted Until
Biology (7-12)	Life Science Pedagogy	0234	147	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
	Content Knowledge	0235	150	--	Currently Required
Chemistry (7-12)	Physical Science: Pedagogy	0483	154	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
	Content Knowledge	0245	152	--	Currently Required
Early Childhood (PreK-3)	Education of Young Children	0021/5021	174	9/1/2011	8/31/2014
	Content Knowledge	0022/5022	165	--	Currently Required
Elementary Education (1-6)	Content Area Exercises; OR Instructional Practice & Applications	0012	148	9/1/2011	8/31/2014
		0015/5015	161	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
	Content Knowledge	0014/5014	145	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
English (7-12)	English Pedagogy	0043	150	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
	Content Knowledge	0041/5041	160	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
French (K-12)	Content Knowledge	0173	155	10/15/2010	10/14/2013
	Productive Language Skills	0171	173	10/15/2010	10/14/2013
	World Languages Pedagogy	0841	158	--	Currently Required
General Science (7-12)	Physical Science: Pedagogy	0483	154	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
	Content Knowledge	0435	157	--	Currently Required
Latin (K-12)	Latin Content Knowledge	0600	610	Score Rescaled	Currently Accepted
	World Languages Pedagogy	0841	158	--	Currently Required
Mathematics (7-12)	Mathematics Pedagogy	0065	135	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
	Content Knowledge	0061/5061	141	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
Middle School English (4-8)	Content Knowledge	0049/5049	160	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
	Principles of Learning & Teaching	0623/5623	160	--	Currently Required
Middle School Mathematics (4-8)	Content Knowledge	0069	152	9/1/2013	8/31/2016
	Principles of Learning & Teaching	0623/5623	160	--	Currently Required
Performing Arts – Drama & Theater (K-12)	Content Knowledge	0640	600	Score Rescaled	Currently Accepted
	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	**	**	--	Currently Required
Physics	Physical Science: Pedagogy	0483	154	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
	Content Knowledge	0265/5265	143	--	Currently Required

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Licensure Area	Test Name	Test Code	Score	Date Dropped / Regenerated	Date Accepted Until
Social Studies	Social Studies Pedagogy	0084	169	9/1/2012	8/31/2015
	Content Knowledge	0081	155	--	Currently Required
Spanish (K-12)	Content Knowledge	0191	153	10/15/2010	10/14/2013
	Productive Language Skills	0192	166	10/15/2010	10/14/2013
	Pedagogy OR	0194	170	10/15/2010	10/14/2013
	World Languages Pedagogy	0841	158	--	Current Exam
Special Education (K-12)	Education of Exceptional Students	0353	146	9/18/2010	9/17/2013
	Principles of Learning & Teaching**	**	**	--	Currently Required