

Praxis® Subject Assessments Fact Sheet

These tests measure subject-specific content knowledge, as well as general and subject-specific teaching skills, that you need for beginning teaching. Below is the Praxis Subject Assessment required for each NJ teacher certification with its corresponding test code and minimum qualifying score.

- Applicants for New Jersey licensing for subject teaching fields must pass the appropriate *Praxis*® Subject Assessments. The tests are required for all applicants, including those who are licensed in other states. Certain teaching fields are exempt, as noted in the listing below.
- The following teaching fields are *currently* exempt from taking *Praxis* Subject Assessments: Dance, Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL)*; World Languages other than French and Spanish; and Special Education. Please contact the New Jersey Department of Education's Office of Certification and Induction for requirements. New Jersey's certification requirements by certification can be found at <https://www.nj.gov/cgi-bin/education/license/endorsement.pl?string=Instructional%20Certificates&maxhits=1000&field=1&type=teach>.

**Candidates must present evidence of passing oral and written English language proficiency tests: ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and the Writing Proficiency Test (WPT). These tests must be passed with a score of "Advanced Low" or higher. (Exceptions: Candidates for certification who pass the Praxis Core Writing exam with a score of 162 or higher will be exempt from taking the written English language proficiency test (WPT) requirement.)*

Early Childhood (Preschool to Grade 3)

Certification	Test Name	Test Code	Qualifying Score
Preschool to Grade 3	Early Childhood Education	5025	156

Elementary Education (Kindergarten to Grade 6)

Certification	Test Name	Test Code	Qualifying Score
Elementary Education	Multiple Subjects	5001	—
	Reading and Language Arts	5002	157
	Math	5003	157
	Social Studies	5004	155
	Science	5005	159

Secondary Education (Subject Area P-12)

Certification	Test Name	Test Code	Qualifying Score
Biology	Biology Content Knowledge	5236	154
	General Science	5436	141
Chemistry	Chemistry Content Knowledge	5246	156
	General Science	5436	141
Earth Science	Earth and Space Sciences Content Knowledge	5572	154
	General Science	5436	141

Certification	Test Name	Test Code	Qualifying Score
Physics	Physics Content Knowledge	5266	145
	General Science	5436	141
Physical Science	Physics Content Knowledge	5266	145
	Chemistry Content Knowledge	5246	156
	General Science	5436	141
Social Studies	Social Studies Content Knowledge	5081	157
Theatre	Theatre	5641	153

All Grades (Subject Area P-12)

Certification	Test Name	Test Code	Qualifying Score
Art	Art Content Knowledge	5134	158
English	English Content Knowledge	5038	167
Health and Physical Education	Health and Physical Education Content Knowledge	5857	160
Mathematics	Mathematics Content Knowledge	5165	159
Music	Music Content Knowledge	5113	153

World Language (Subject Area P-12)

Certification	Test Name	Test Code	Qualifying Score
French**	French World Language	5174	162
Spanish**	Spanish World Language	5195	168

***Candidates must also pass ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) with a score of “Advanced Low” or higher*

Please note that the NJDOE may update certification requirements at any time. Please check the ETS website at <https://www.ets.org/praxis/nj/requirements/> for the most up-to-date Praxis Subject Assessment requirement information for your certification area in the event of changes.