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Vermont Testing Requirements for Educator Licensure

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Academic Skills for Vermont Educators

Candidates seeking initial educator licensure in Vermont who do not hold a current non-conditional out-of-state-license from a state that has signed the NASDTEC agreement are required to meet the passing scores established by the Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators (VSBPE) for the **Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (CORE®)**. Educational Testing Services (ETS) has completely phased out Praxis I, which means the tests are no longer available. The **Praxis Core tests** have replaced the Praxis I. The core academic skills tests for educators include three tests: Reading (5713), Writing (5723), and Mathematics (5733). The Praxis Core subtests measure whether educators have the necessary reading, writing, and mathematical knowledge/skills. The Praxis Core does not assess one's knowledge of teaching nor does it predict who will become a good teacher or administrator. All candidates need to pass *each and every one* of the Core tests to be eligible for licensure; there is no combined score for Praxis Core tests.

Praxis Core Academic Skills Test

Combined Test (includes Reading, Writing, and Mathematics Tests): Test Code 5752 (Cost - \$150.00)

- Reading: Test Code 5713 – pass score is 156
- Writing: Test Code 5723 – pass score is 162
- Mathematics: Test Code 5733 – pass score is 150

For each subtest, the cost is a \$50.00 registration fee plus a \$40.00 fee per test

Alternatives to Praxis Core Series: Qualifying Praxis I or qualifying SAT, ACT, or GRE scores can be accepted if the test scores meet the following pass scores:

1. Qualifying Praxis I pass scores:

- Reading – pass score 177
- Writing – pass score 174
- Mathematics – pass score 175
- Combined score – 526

2. **Qualifying SAT scores:**
- If taken **before** April 1, 1995
 - Combined score of 1000 and minimum Verbal (420) and Math (470)
 - If taken **between** April 1, 1995 and March 1, 2016
 - Combined score of 1100 and minimum Verbal (500) and Math (500)
 - If taken **after** March 1, 2016
 - Combined score of 1100 and minimum Verbal (480) and Math (530)
 - For SAT scores contact [College Board](#) . Please reference Vermont recipient code #4142.
 - Your “reading” SAT score is equivalent to the “verbal” score. The writing SAT score will not be counted.
3. **Qualifying ACT scores:** English 18, Math 18. For ACT scores contact [ACT Records](#) and request test scores be sent to VT using recipient code #4331.
4. **Qualifying GRE scores:**
- If taken before August 1, 2011
 - Combined score of 1100 and a minimum Verbal (500) and Quantitative (500)
 - If taken after August 1, 2011
 - Combined score of 300 and a minimum Verbal (153) and Quantitative (144) if taken.
 - For GRE scores contact [ETS](#) . Please note ETS will not send scores directly to the AOE. You may upload test score reports into your online application(s).

Praxis II Content Tests

Praxis II content tests are required for the following content areas for all candidates unless you hold a valid non-conditional license in the same endorsement area from a State that has signed the NASDTEC agreement.

Art: Test Code 5135 – pass score is 161 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$146.00 test fee)

Early Childhood Education: Test Code 5025 – pass score is 156 - PreK- Grade 3 or Birth- Grade 3 (Cost \$146.00)

Elementary Education: Test Code 5001 – see individual test scores below. (Cost \$170.00)

- Reading: Test Code 5002 – pass score is 157
- Math: Test Code 5003 - pass score is 157
- Social Studies: Test Code 5004 - pass score is 155
- Science: Test Code 5005 - pass score is 159

For each subtest, the cost is a \$50.00 registration fee plus a \$60.00 fee per test

English: Test Code 5039 – pass score is 168 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$146.00 test fee)

English to Speakers of other Languages: Test Code 5362 – pass score is 155 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee)

Health: Test Code 5551 – pass score is 163 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee)

Math: Test Code 5161 – pass score is 160 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee)

Middle Grades English: Test Code 5047 – pass score is 164 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$146.00 test fee). Note: the English test can be used to satisfy the Middle Grades English testing requirements.

Middle Grades Math: Test Code 5169 – pass score is 165 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee). Note: the Math test can be used to satisfy the Middle Grades Math testing requirements.

Middle Grades Science: Test Code 5440 – pass score is 150 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee). Note: the General Science test can be used to satisfy the Middle Grades Science testing requirements.

Middle Grades Social Studies: Test Code 5089 – pass score is 165 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$146.00 test fee). Note: the English test can be used to satisfy the Middle Grades English testing requirements.

Music: Test Code 5114 – pass score is 162 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$146.00 test fee)

Modern and Classical Language: American Sign Language. Test Code 5632 – pass score is 155 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$146.00 test fee)

Modern and Classical Language: Latin. Test Code 5601 – pass score is 147 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee)

Modern and Classical Language: French. Test Code 5174 – pass score is 162 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$160.00 test fee)

Modern and Classical Language: German. Test Code 5183 – pass score is 163 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$160.00 test fee)

Modern and Classical Language: Spanish. Test Code 5195 – pass score is 168 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$160.00 test fee)

Modern and Classical Language: Chinese. Test Code 5665 – pass score is 164 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$160.00 test fee)

Physical Education: Test Code 5095 – pass score is 169 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$146.00 test fee)

Reading ELA Specialist: Test Code 5301 – pass score is 164 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$146.00 test fee)

Science: For a full science endorsement, candidates must meet a passing score on the General Science AND one subject specific test of their choosing. A limited endorsement in a science content area requires passing the Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science or Physics test.

General Science: Test Code 5435 – pass score is 157 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee)

Biology: Test Code 5235 – pass score is 151 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee)

Chemistry: Test Code 5245 – pass score is 160 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee)

Earth Science: Test Code 5571 – pass score is 158 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee)

Physics: Test Code 5265 – pass score is 140 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee)

Social Studies: Test Code 5086 – pass score is 153 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$146.00 test fee)

School Psychologist: Test Code 5402 – pass score is 147 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$120.00 test fee)

School Leaders Licensure Assessment: Test Code 6990 – pass score is 163 (Cost \$50.00 registration fee plus \$425.00 test fee)