

## Pending Board Approval

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### PRAXIS I TEST

PRAXIS I PPST TEST-The MDE will accept the **old passing PPST scores taken before 9/1/2012 until 9/1/2014** IF educator took and passed the test before 9/1/2012 and applies for a license by 9/30/2014. This means the educator must have completed the program and have a recommendation by the university.

The PRAXIS I PPST test is a requirement for the alternate route educators.

TEST NAME	TEST CODE	OLD SCORE	OLD SCORE PPST ACCEPTED TILL
READING	0710/5710	170-if taken before 9/1/2012	9/30/2014
WRITING	0720/5720	172-if taken before 9/1/2012	9/30/2014
MATHEMATICS	0730/5730	169-if taken before 9/1/2012	9/30/2014

TEST NAME	TEST CODE	INCREASED SCORE	INCREASED SCORE PPST ACCEPTED TILL
READING	0710/5710	172-if taken before 9/31/2013	9/30/2015
WRITING	0720/5720	173-if taken before 9/1/2013	9/30/2015
MATHEMATICS	0730/5730	172-if taken before 9/1/2013	9/30/2015

### NEW PRAXIS TEST: Core Academic Skills for Educators (CASE)

The CASE test will begin on **9/1/2013**, BUT the PRAXIS I Pre Professional Skills Test (PPST) will be offered for test takers until 12/31/2013. After 12/31/2013, the PPST PRAXIS TEST **will no longer be offered or accepted to meet certification requirements. The educator CANNOT combine parts of the PPST and parts of the CASE to meet certification requirements.**

Beginning 01/01/2014, the educator must begin to take and pass the CASE in order to meet certification requirements.

The PPST test taken and passed (**with increased cut scores**) before 12/31/2013 **will be accepted until 9/30/2015.**

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TEST NAME	TEST CODE	PASSING SCORE	START DATE
READING	5712	156	9/1/2013
WRITING	5722	162	9/1/2013
MATHEMATICS	5732	150	9/1/2013



<http://www.ets.org/s/praxis/newsletter/2013/22309/index.html>

## Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Tests

The *Praxis* program is pleased to announce the new *Praxis* Core Academic Skills for Educators tests in Reading, Writing and Mathematics. These new tests are aligned to the College and Career Readiness (CCR) Standards and Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and will be administered for the first time in fall 2013. These tests will replace the *Praxis* <sup>®</sup> Pre-Professional Skills Tests (*PPST*<sup>®</sup>) in Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

These new Core Academic Skills for Educators tests are more rigorous and measure critical thinking and academic skills in reading, writing and mathematics. These new tests will provide states and agencies with a better indicator if the candidate is qualified by delivering tests that measure 21st-century skills. Key changes include:

- **Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading** — contains a wider variety of text types, with an emphasis on informational text that reflects the intent of the CCSS. The test will also include sets of questions that require the integration and analysis of multiple documents, as well as some alternate response types (e.g., select in passage), to enhance the authenticity of the tasks.
- **Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing** — reflects the importance of both argumentative writing and informative/explanatory writing, and will contain two writing tasks for each writing type. In addition, multiple-choice questions will be added to address the importance of research strategies and assess strategies for revising and improving text.
- **Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics** — new response formats will include numeric entry that will allow the student's means of responding to better match the skill that is being assessed. Test takers will have access to an on-screen calculator to help ensure that questions are testing mathematical reasoning by reducing the chance that a candidate's wrong response comes from a simple arithmetic error.