

# COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

## CENTER FOR TEACHER QUALITY



Mississippi State Board of Education to Accept Passing Praxis Test  
Scores Taken Prior to  
September 1, 2012 until September 1, 2014

This summer the State Board of Education approved a proposal to increase the required passing score on a specific list of Praxis tests required for Licensure. The board action became effective on September 1, 2012 so that anyone applying for a teacher's license after September 1<sup>st</sup> would be required to meet the new cut score. This change caused a great deal of difficulty for many prospective teachers that has just passed the Praxis with scores passing prior to September 1<sup>st</sup> but had not completed programs and were not yet ready to be licensed.

**The MS State Board of Education approved a transition plan to allow individuals who held a passing score on Praxis I or II prior to September 1, 2012 , in the subject areas previously presented to the board, would still be able to submit those scores for licensure until September 1, 2014. Anyone taking the test after September 1, 2012 must meet the new score.**

<u>PRAXIS TEST</u>	<u>NEW SCORE</u>	<u>OLD SCORE</u>
Praxis I Reading (0710)	172	170
Praxis I Writing (0720)	173	172
Praxis I Mathematics (0730)	172	169
Business Education (0101)	153	148
Mathematics (0061)	128	123
Middle Grade Mathematics (0069)	146	140
Middle Grade Science (0439)	144	145
Middle Grade Social Studies (0089)	149	140
Physical Education (0091)	145	138
Social Studies (0081)	150	143
SPECIAL EDUCATION (0354)	152	142
SPEECH COMMUNICATION (0221)	143	134