



# **Educator Assessment Policies**

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## Document Guidance

- The green and gold colors are for separation of the certification areas and to provide for ease of viewing.
- Throughout the table, the word “current” refers to the tests and scores that will be effective September 1, 2018, and thereafter. When changes are made to tests, the information will be revised to move the current test to the previous column.
- Throughout the table, the word “previous” refers to the tests and scores that were in effect prior to September 1, 2018. New information will be added when applicable. As new tests are adopted or scores are changed, the information in the “current” column will move to the “previous” column.
- Assessment utilization instructions can be found in the next section. Please read all of the instructions carefully.
- The document is divided into four sections:
  - Section I: Assessment Table Utilization—this section explains how the information contained within the table should be interpreted.
  - Section II: Basic Skills Assessment—this section provides information regarding the Basic Skills Assessment required for program entry and certain certification approaches.
  - Section III: Content Knowledge Assessments by Certification Area—this section outlines the content knowledge assessments for each certification area. Please note that there is additional information that outlines when a content area is only applicable to certain certification approaches.
  - Section IV: Pedagogical Assessments—this section provides information regarding Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) and Educative Teacher Performance Assessment (edTPA).
- If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Alethea F. Hampton at [ahampton1@alsde.edu](mailto:ahampton1@alsde.edu).

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# Section I

## Assessment Table Utilization

**This section pertains to the Alabama Educator Preparation Program Approach.**

1. The Praxis Assessment required at the time of the individual's unconditional admission to the program will be accepted if the complete application packet and recommendation for professional certification are received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE within **four years** (48 months) from the date of unconditional admission. If the complete application packet and recommendation for professional certification **are not** received in the Educator Certification Section within **four years** (48 months) from the date of unconditional admission, the individual will have to meet the test requirements in effect at the time the application is received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE.
2. The Praxis Assessment must be appropriate to the teaching field or instructional support area of the program for which the individual will be recommended.
3. The Praxis Assessment must be taken and passed on or before the final test administration date as indicated on the table.
4. The following tests **were not** accepted for issuance of professional certification for any applicant who completed an Alabama Educator Preparation Program and whose application based on that approach was received in the ALSDE after August 31, 2017; however, if an individual was unconditionally admitted to a program on or prior to August 31, 2017, and one of these tests was taken and passed on or prior to August 31, 2017, he/she will be allowed **four years** (48 months) from the date of unconditional admission to have their recommendation for professional certification received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE.

Test Code	Test Name
0133	Art Content Knowledge
0100	Business Education
0173	French: Content Knowledge
0181	German: Content Knowledge
0300	Reading Specialist
0191	Spanish: Content Knowledge
0050	Technology Education
0420	School Guidance and Counseling

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5. The following tests **will not** be accepted for issuance of professional certification for any applicant who completed an Alabama Educator Preparation Program and whose application based on that approach is received in the ALSDE after August 31, 2018; however, if an individual was unconditionally admitted to a program on or prior to August 31, 2018, and one of these tests was taken and passed on or prior to August 31, 2018, he/she will be allowed **four years** (48 months) from the date of unconditional admission to have their recommendation for professional certification received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE.

Test Code	Test Name
0700	Agriculture
0022/5022	Early Childhood Education
0410	Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision
0014/5014	Elementary Education: Content Knowledge
5031	Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects
0041/5041	English Language, Literature, and Composition: Content Knowledge
0360	English to Speakers of Other Languages
0361/5361	English to Speakers of Other Languages
0120	Family and Consumer Sciences
0121/5121	Family and Consumer Sciences
0920	Geography
0550/5550	Health Education
0600	Latin
0310	Library Media
0061/5061	Mathematics: Content Knowledge
0049/5049	Middle School English Language Arts
0069	Middle School Mathematics
0439	Middle School Science
0300	Reading Specialist
0400	School Psychologist
0401	School Psychologist
0220	Speech Communication
0640	Theatre

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6. Anyone unconditionally admitted to a program on September 1, 2018, and thereafter must have the required content knowledge assessment in the “current” test columns. Individuals using Praxis assessments in the “previous” test columns must have been unconditionally admitted on or before August 31, 2018.

**Example:** Arsenio Hall is unconditionally admitted to a program in Early Childhood Education on December 15, 2018. He took test 5022 June 14, 2014, and made a 168. He did not apply for unconditional admission until October 2018. Because his date of unconditional admission is after August 31, 2018, Mr. Hall will be required to take test 5025 and make a minimum passing score of 156 prior to his recommendation for professional certification being submitted to the Educator Certification section at the ALSDE.

7. In cases where the test(s) required at the time of unconditional admission are not taken or not passed, a passing score on a more recent test(s) will be required. For areas where certificate issuance requires tests that include multiple subtests, each subtest will be treated as a separate test.

**Example:** Johnny Carson is unconditionally admitted to an Elementary Education program on February 1, 2015, when Praxis Series 5031 (5032, 5033, 5034, 5035) is the required content knowledge test.

- He passes Praxis subtests 5032, 5034, and 5035, **but not** 5033 prior to the final test administration date, August 31, 2015.
- He then passes Praxis test 5003 on April 1, 2016.
- Test 5003 is acceptable because 5003 was the next required test.
- As long as Johnny’s recommendation for his professional certification is received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE on or before February 1, 2019, (four years from the date of unconditional admission), Johnny’s test scores on 5032, 5034, 5035, and 5003 will be accepted as partial fulfillment of requirements for issuance of his professional certification.

8. **Once an application for certification has been received at the ALSDE, there will be no changes to the individual’s unconditional admission date.**

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**This section pertains to the Alternative Certification Approaches.**

**Provisional Certificate in a Teaching Field (PCTF) Approach**

**Provisional Certificate in a Career and Technical Education Teaching Field (PCCT) Approach**

**Provisional Certification in Library Media or School Counseling (PCLS) Approach**

**Business and Industry to Educational Administrator (BIEA) Approach**

1. Effective for applications received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE **September 1, 2018, and thereafter:**
  - a. The Praxis Assessment must be the test under the **Current Test** column on the chart at the time the application for the first alternative certificate is received.  
**No previous tests will be accepted.**
  - b. The Praxis Assessment must be appropriate to the content area for which the individual begins the alternative approach.
2. Effective for applications received in the Educator Certification Section **prior to September 1, 2018:**
  - a. The Praxis Assessment and score required at the time of receipt of the application for the first alternative certificate will be acceptable for issuance of professional certification as long as the individual completes the approach in the allotted time frame.
  - b. The Praxis Assessment must be appropriate to the content area for which the individual begins the alternative approach.
3. The following tests were discontinued and were only accepted for any applicants whose applications for the first alternative certificate were received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE prior to September 1, 2017:

<b>Test Code</b>	<b>Test Name</b>
0133	Art Content Knowledge
0100	Business Education
0173	French: Content Knowledge
0181	German: Content Knowledge
0191	Spanish: Content Knowledge
0050	Technology Education
0420	School Guidance and Counseling

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4. The following tests will not be accepted for any applicants whose applications for the first alternative certificate are received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE after August 31, 2018:

<b>Test Code</b>	<b>Test Name</b>
0700	Agriculture
0410	Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision
0041/5041	English Language, Literature, and Composition: Content Knowledge
0120	Family and Consumer Sciences
0121/5121	Family and Consumer Sciences
0920	Geography
0550/5550	Health Education
0600	Latin
0310	Library Media
0061/5061	Mathematics: Content Knowledge
0049/5049	Middle School English Language Arts
0069	Middle School Mathematics
0439	Middle School Science
0640	Theatre

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### **All Other Approaches**

This section pertains to all other approaches to earning Alabama certification except the Alabama Educator Preparation Program and Alternative Certification Approaches.

Individuals must meet the current test and score requirement in effect at the time the application for Alabama certification is received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE.

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## Section II

# Assessment Required for Program Entry and Certain Certification Approaches

The Alabama Basic Skills Assessment is required for unconditional admission to a Class B or Alternative Class A Alabama Educator Preparation Program.

The Alabama Basic Skills Assessment is required for individuals applying for certification based on the following approaches:

- Career and Technical Certificate to a Professional Educator Certificate
- Degree Equivalent Health Science Career and Technical Certificate
- Degree Equivalent Technical Education Career and Technical Certificate
- Early Childhood Development
- First Interim Employment Certificate in a Teaching Field (based on unconditional admission to an Alternative Class A Educator Preparation Program)
- First Interim Employment Certificate in School Counseling based on the CACREP Option
- Foreign Credentials
- Provisional Certificate in a Career and Technical Teaching Field
- Provisional Certificate in a Teaching Field
- Speech-Language Pathology Assistant

The Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators is the current Basic Skills Assessment. Previously, the ACT WorkKeys was the Basic Skills Assessment. The final administration date for testing with the ACT WorkKeys was July 8, 2017. Although this assessment is no longer offered, individuals who passed all three portions can use the results to satisfy the Basic Skills requirement if the application for certification is received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE on or before August 31, 2022.

The Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators and the ACT WorkKeys cannot be combined to fulfill Basic Skills Assessment Requirements.

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## Basic Skills Assessments

Assessment Name	Assessment Code	Required Score	Effective Date
<b>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (Current Assessment)</b>			
Praxis Core Academic Skills—Reading <b>AND</b>	5712	156	9/1/2017
Praxis Core Academic Skills—Writing <b>AND</b>	5722	162	9/1/2017
Praxis Core Academic Skills—Mathematics	5732	150	9/1/2017

Assessment Name	Assessment Code	Required Score	Final Test Administration Date
<b>ACT WorkKeys (Previously Offered Assessment)</b>			
ACT WorkKeys Reading for Information <b>AND</b>	NA	APTT—Level 4	8/31/2012
		AECT—Level 5	7/8/2017
ACT WorkKeys Writing <b>AND</b>	NA	APTT—Level 3	8/31/2012
		AECT—Level 3	7/8/2017
ACT WorkKeys Applied Mathematics	NA	APTT—Level 4	8/31/2012
		AECT—Level 4	7/8/2017

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# Content Knowledge Assessments by Certification Area

The Praxis Subject Area Test(s) is (are) required for individuals applying for certification in an initial teaching field or area of instructional support through **all** approaches *except*:

- Additional Certification in Driver and Traffic Safety Education
- Career and Technical Education Additional Teaching Field
- Career and Technical Education Additional Certification in Cooperative Education Coordination
- Career and Technical Education Temporary Certificate
- Child Nutrition Program Director Certificate
- Degree Equivalent Career and Technical Certificate
- Emergency Certificate
- Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Certificate
- Speech-Language Pathology Assistant
- Speech-Language Pathology Professional Educator Certificate
- Speech-Language Pathology Temporary Certificate

The approaches listed above may require tests other than a Praxis Subject Area Test.

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Agriscience Education (6-12)	Agriculture	5701	147	9/1/2018	Agriculture	0700	460	8/31/2014 **
						5701	141	8/31/2018
Biology (6-12)	Biology: Content Knowledge	5235*	150	9/1/2018	Biology: Content Knowledge	0235/5235	143	8/31/2018
Business Administration (6-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Business Education: Content Knowledge	5101*	154	9/1/2018	Business Education	0100	570	8/31/2012 **
Business/Marketing Education (6-12)					Business Education Content Knowledge	0101/5101	147	8/31/2018
Business Education (6-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)								
Career Technologies (6-12, P-12)	Technology Education	5051*	159	9/1/2018	Technology Education	0050	540	8/31/2012 **
						0051/5051	154	8/31/2018
Chemistry (6-12)	Chemistry: Content Knowledge	0245/5245*	150		No Changes			
Dramatic Arts (6-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Theatre	5641*	154	9/1/2018	Theatre	0640	510	8/31/2012 **
						0641/5641	143	8/31/2018

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Early Childhood Education (P-3)	Early Childhood Education <b>AND</b>	5025	156	9/1/2018	Elementary Education: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Early Childhood: Content Knowledge	0022/5022	163	8/31/2015 **
					Early Childhood Education	5025	150	8/31/2018
	Teaching Reading	5204	159	9/1/2018	Teaching Reading	5204	155	8/31/2018
Earth and Space Sciences (6-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Earth and Space Sciences: Content Knowledge	0571/5571*	150		No Changes			
Economics (6-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Economics	5911*	150	9/1/2018	Economics	0910	520	8/31/2012
						0911/5911	144	8/31/2018

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Elementary Education (K-6)	Elementary Education: Mathematics <b>AND</b>	5003	157	9/1/2018	Elementary Education: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Education: Mathematics	5033	157	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Education: Mathematics	5003	143	8/31/2018
	Elementary Education: Reading Language Arts <b>AND</b>	5002	157	9/1/2018	Elementary Education: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Education: Reading Language Arts	5032	165	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Education: Reading Language Arts	5002	154	8/31/2018
	Elementary Education: Science <b>AND</b>	5005	158	9/1/2018	Elementary Education: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Education: Science	5035	144	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Education: Science	5005	144	8/31/2018
	Elementary Education: Social Studies <b>AND</b>	5004	154	9/1/2018	Elementary Education: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Education: Social Studies	5034	142	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Education: Social Studies	5004	142	8/31/2018
Teaching Reading	5204	159	9/1/2018	Teaching Reading	5204	155	8/31/2018	

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English (6-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	English Language Arts: Content Knowledge	5038	167	9/1/2018	English Language, Literature and Composition: Content Knowledge	0041/5041	151	8/31/2013 **
					English Language Arts: Content Knowledge	5038	147	8/31/2018
English Language Arts (6-12)	English Language Arts: Content Knowledge	5038	167	9/1/2018	English Language, Literature and Composition: Content Knowledge	0041/5041	151	8/31/2013 **
					English Language Arts: Content Knowledge	5038	147	8/31/2018
English for Speakers of Other Languages (P-12)	English to Speakers of Other Languages	5362	155	9/1/2018	English to Speakers of Other Languages	0360	540	8/31/2011 **
						0361/5361	144	8/31/2016 **
						5362	149	8/31/2018
Family and Consumer Sciences Education (6-12)	Family and Consumer Sciences	5122	161	9/1/2014	Family and Consumer Sciences	0120	530	8/31/2008 **
						0121/5121	146	8/31/2014 **
French (6-12; P-12)	French: World Language	5174	162	9/1/2012	French: Content Knowledge	0173	148	8/31/2012 **
General Science (6-12)	General Science: Content Knowledge	5435*	152	9/1/2018	General Science: Content Knowledge	0435/5435	147	8/31/2018
General Social Science (6-12)	Social Studies: Content Knowledge	5081*	155	9/1/2018	Social Studies: Content Knowledge	0081/5081	153	8/31/2018
Geography (6-12)	Geography	5921*	153	9/1/2018	Geography	0920	560	8/31/2011 **
						0921/5921	145	8/31/2018

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German (6-12; P-12)	German: World Language	5183	163	9/1/2018	German Content Knowledge	0181	142	8/31/2012 **
					German: World Language	5183	161	8/31/2018
Health and Physical Education (6-12; P-12) (This area is for reinstatement only)	Health Education AND	5551	154	9/1/2018	Health Education	0550/5550	580	8/31/2013 **
	Physical Education: Content Knowledge	5091*	149	9/1/2018	Physical Education: Content Knowledge	0091/5091	141	8/31/2018
Health Education (6-12) (P-12 is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Health Education	5551	154	9/1/2018	Health Education	0550/5550	580	8/31/2013 **
						5551	145	8/31/2018
History (6-12)	World and U.S. History: Content Knowledge	5941*	148	9/1/2018	World and U.S. History: Content Knowledge	0941/5941	143	8/31/2018
Latin (6-12; P-12)	Latin	5601*	152	9/1/2018	Latin	0600	590	8/31/2012 **
						0601/5601	149	8/31/2018

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<b>Leadership</b>								
Career and Technical Administrator (6-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision	0411/5411*	149	9/1/2010	Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision	0410	610	8/31/2011 **
Educational Administration (P-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)								
Instructional Leadership (P-12)								
Principal (P-6, 6-12, or P-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)								
Superintendent (P-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)								
Superintendent - Principal (P-12) (This area is for reinstatement only)								
Supervisor (K-6, 6-12 or P-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)								

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Library Media Specialist (P-12)	Library Media Specialist	5311*	148	9/1/2018	Library Media Specialist	0310	600	8/31/2009 **
						0311/5311	146	8/31/2018
Marketing Education (6-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Marketing Education	5561*	156	9/1/2018	Marketing Education	0560	500	8/31/2008
						0561/5561	135	8/31/2018
Mathematics (6-12) (Note: Per ALSBE resolution, this test will have a 3-year incremental increase)	Mathematics: Content Knowledge	5161	150	9/1/2018	Mathematics Content Knowledge	0061/5061	126	8/31/2013 **
			155	9/1/2019	Mathematics Content Knowledge	5161	145	8/31/2018
			160	9/1/2020	Mathematics Content Knowledge		150	8/31/2019
					Mathematics Content Knowledge		155	8/31/2020
<b>Middle School Education</b>								
Middle School Business Education (4-8) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Business Education: Content Knowledge	5101*	154	9/1/2018	Business Education	0100	570	8/31/2012 **
					Business Education Content Knowledge	0101/5101	147	8/31/2018
Middle School Career Technologies (4-8) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Technology Education	5051*	159	9/1/2018	Technology Education	0050	540	8/31/2012 **
						0051/5051	154	8/31/2018
Middle School English (4-8) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Middle School English Language Arts	5047	164	9/1/2018	Middle School English Language Arts	0049/5049	148	8/31/2013 **
						5047	146	8/31/2018
Middle School English Language Arts (4-8)	Middle School English Language Arts	5047	164	9/1/2018	Middle School English Language Arts	0049/5049	148	8/31/2013 **
						5047	146	8/31/2018

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Middle School Family and Consumer Sciences Education (4-8) (This area is for reinstatement only)	Family and Consumer Sciences	5122	161	9/1/2014	Family and Consumer Sciences	0120	530	8/31/2008 **
						0121/5121	146	8/31/2014 **
Middle School French (4-8)	French: World Language	5174	162	9/1/2012	French: Content Knowledge	0173	148	8/31/2012 **
Middle School General Science (4-8)	Middle School Science	5440	151	9/1/2014	Middle School Science	0439	142	8/31/2014 **
Middle School General Social Science (4-8)	Middle School Social Studies	5089*	153	9/1/2018	Middle School Social Studies	0089/5089	149	8/31/2018
Middle School Generalist (4-8) (This area for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Middle School English Language Arts <b>AND</b>	5047	164	9/1/2018	Middle School English Language Arts <b>OR</b>	0049/5049	148	8/31/2013 **
						5047	146	8/31/2018
	Middle School Mathematics <b>AND</b>	5169	165	9/1/2018	Middle School Mathematics <b>OR</b>	0069	149	8/31/2013 **
						5169	148	8/31/2018
	Middle School Science <b>AND</b>	5440	151	9/1/2014	Middle School Science <b>OR</b>	0439	142	8/31/2014 **
Middle School Social Studies	5089	153	9/1/2018	Middle School Social Studies	0089/5089	149	8/31/2018	
Middle School German (4-8)	German: World Language	5183	163	9/1/2018	German Content Knowledge	0181	142	8/31/2012 **
					German: World Language	5183	161	8/31/2018

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Middle School Health Education (4-8) (This area for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Health Education	5551	154	9/1/2018	Health Education	0550/5550	580	8/31/2013**
						5551	145	8/31/2018
Middle School Latin (4-8)	Latin	5601*	152	9/1/2018	Latin	0600	550	8/31/2012 **
						0601/5601	149	8/31/2018
Middle School Mathematics (4-8)	Middle School Mathematics	5169	165	9/1/2018	Middle School Mathematics	0069	149	8/31/2013 **
						5169	148	8/31/2018
Middle School Music, Choral (4-8) (This area for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Music: Content Knowledge	5113*	161	9/1/2018	Music: Content Knowledge	0113/5113	150	8/31/2018
Middle School Music, Instrumental (4-8) (This area for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Music: Content Knowledge	5113*	161	9/1/2018	Music: Content Knowledge	0113/5113	150	8/31/2018
Middle School Physical Education (4-8) (This area for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Physical Education: Content Knowledge	5091*	149	9/1/2018	Physical Education: Content Knowledge	0091/5091	141	8/31/2018
Middle School Spanish (4-8)	Spanish: World Language	5195	168	9/1/2018	Spanish: Content Knowledge	0191	147	8/31/2012 **
					Spanish: World Language	5195	158	8/31/2018

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Middle School Speech (4-8) (This area for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Speech Communication	0221/5221*	146	9/1/2018	Speech Communication	0220	580	8/31/2009
Middle School Speech Communication/ Theatre (4-8) (This area for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Speech Communication AND Theatre	0221/5221*	146	9/1/2018	Speech Communication	0220	580	8/31/2009
	Theatre	5641*	154	9/1/2018	Theatre	0640 0641/5641	510 143	8/31/2012 8/31/2018
Middle School Theatre (4-8) (This area for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Theatre	5641*	154	9/1/2018	Theatre	0640	510	8/31/2012
						0641/5641	143	8/31/2018
Middle School Visual Arts (4-8) (This area for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Art: Content Knowledge	5134*	158	9/1/2018	Art: Content Knowledge	0133	150	8/31/2012
						0134/5134	154	8/31/2018
Music, Choral (6-12;P-12) (6-12 is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Music: Content Knowledge	5113*	161	9/1/2018	Music: Content Knowledge	0113/5113	150	8/31/2018
Music, General (Nursery-8 or P-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)								
Music, Instrumental (6-12; P-12) (6-12 is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)								

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Physical Education (6-12; P-12)	Physical Education: Content Knowledge	5091*	149	9/1/2018	Physical Education: Content Knowledge	0091/5091	141	8/31/2018
Physical Science (6-12)  (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	General Science: Content Knowledge <b>OR</b>	5435*	152	9/1/2018	Chemistry, Physics, and General Science	0070	560	8/31/2013
					General Science: Content Knowledge	0435/5435	147	8/31/2018
	Chemistry: Content Knowledge <b>AND</b>	0245/5245*	150		No Changes			
	Physics: Content Knowledge	0265/5265*	138		No Changes			
Physics (6-12)	Physics: Content Knowledge	0265/5265*	138		No Changes			
Political Science (6-12)  (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Government/Political Science	5931*	149	9/1/2018	Government/ Political Science	0930	570	8/31/2012
						0931/5931	143	8/31/2018
Pre-Kindergarten Education (Birth to Age 4)	Pre-Kindergarten Education	5531	155	9/1/2017	No Changes			
Psychology (6-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Psychology	5391*	154	9/1/2018	Psychology	0390	550	8/31/2013
						0391/5391	149	8/31/2018
Reading (P-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Reading Specialist	5301	164	9/1/2018	Reading Specialist	0300	530	8/31/2012
						5301	157	8/31/2018
Reading Specialist (P-12)	Reading Specialist	5301	164	9/1/2018	Reading Specialist	0300	530	8/31/2012 **
						5301	157	8/31/2018

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School Counseling (P-12)	Professional School Counselor	5421*	156	9/1/2018	School Guidance and Counseling	0420	520	8/31/2012 **
					Professional School Counselor	0421/5421	151	8/31/2018
School Psychology (P-12)	School Psychologist	5402	147	9/1/2018	School Psychologist	0400	520	8/31/2008 **
						0401	143	8/31/2014 **
						5402	141	8/31/2018
Sociology (6-12) (This area is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Sociology	5952	154	9/1/2018	Sociology	0950	550	8/31/2014
						5952	149	8/31/2018
Spanish (6-12; P-12)	Spanish: World Language	5195	168	9/1/2018	Spanish: Content Knowledge	0191	147	8/31/2012 **
					Spanish: World Language	5195	158	8/31/2018

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Special Education								
Collaborative Teacher (K-6)	Elementary Education: Mathematics <b>AND</b>	5003	157	9/1/2018	Elementary Ed: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Ed: Mathematics	5033	157	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Ed: Mathematics	5003	143	8/31/2018
	Elementary Education: Reading Language Arts <b>AND</b>	5002	157	9/1/2018	Elementary Ed: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Ed: Reading Lang. Arts	5032	165	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Ed: Reading Lang. Arts	5002	154	8/31/2018
	Elementary Education: Science <b>AND</b>	5005	158	9/1/2018	Elementary Ed: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Ed: Science	5035	144	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Ed: Science	5005	144	8/31/2018
	Elementary Education: Social Studies <b>AND</b>	5004	154	9/1/2018	Elementary Ed: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Ed: Social Studies	5034	142	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Ed: Social Studies	5004	142	8/31/2018
		Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications	0354/5354*	153	9/1/2012	No Changes		
Collaborative Teacher (6-12)	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications	0354/5354*	153	9/1/2012	No Changes			

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Early Childhood Education Multiple Abilities (P-3) (This area is for reinstatement only)	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications <b>AND</b>	0354/5354*	153	9/1/2012	No Changes			
	Early Childhood Education <b>AND</b>	5025	156	9/1/2018	Elementary Ed: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Early Childhood: Content Knowledge	0022/5022	163	8/31/2015 **
					Early Childhood Education	5025	150	8/31/2018
Teaching Reading	5204	159	9/1/2018	Teaching Reading	5204	155	8/31/2018	
Early Childhood Special Education (P-3)	Early Childhood Education <b>AND</b>	5025	156	9/1/2018	Elementary Ed: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Early Childhood: Content Knowledge	0022/5022	163	8/31/2015 **
					Early Childhood Education	5025	150	8/31/2018
	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications	0354/5354*	153	9/1/2012	No Changes			

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Elementary Education Multiple Abilities (K-6) (This area is for reinstatement)	Elementary Education: Mathematics <b>AND</b>	5003	157	9/1/2018	Elementary Ed: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Ed: Mathematics	5033	157	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Ed: Mathematics	5003	143	8/31/2018
	Elementary Education: Reading Language Arts <b>AND</b>	5002	157	9/1/2018	Elementary Ed: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Ed: Reading Lang. Arts	5032	165	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Ed: Reading Lang. Arts	5002	154	8/31/2018
	Elementary Education: Science <b>AND</b>	5005	158	9/1/2018	Elementary Ed: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Ed: Science	5035	144	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Ed: Science	5005	144	8/31/2018
	Elementary Education: Social Studies <b>AND</b>	5004	154	9/1/2018	Elementary Ed: Content Knowledge	0014/5014	137	8/31/2013 **
					Elementary Ed: Social Studies	5034	142	8/31/2015 **
					Elementary Ed: Social Studies	5004	142	8/31/2018
	Teaching Reading <b>AND</b>	5204	159	9/1/2018	Teaching Reading	5204	155	8/31/2018
Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications	0354/5354*	153	9/1/2012	No Changes				
Gifted (P-12)	Gifted Education	5358	157	9/1/2018	Gifted Education	5358	151	8/31/2018

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Special Education Areas (P-12) Excluding Gifted Education	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications	0354/5354*	153	9/1/2012	No Changes			
Speech (6-12)	Speech Communication	0221/5221*	146	9/1/2018	Speech Communication	0220	580	8/31/2009 **
Speech Communication/ Theatre (6-12; P-12) (This area for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Speech Communication <b>AND</b>	0221/5221*	146	9/1/2018	Speech Communication	0220	580	8/31/2009 **
	Theatre	5641*	154	9/1/2018	Theatre	0640	510	8/31/2012 **
Theatre (6-12; P-12) (6-12 is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Theatre	5641*	154	9/1/2018	Theatre	0641/5641	143	8/31/2018
						0640	510	8/31/2012 **
Visual Arts (6-12; P-12) (6-12 is for reinstatement and reciprocity only)	Art: Content Knowledge	5134*	158	9/1/2018	Art: Content Knowledge	0133	150	8/31/2012 **
						0134/5134	154	8/31/2018

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## **Section IV**

# **Pedagogical Assessments**

For applications received in the Educator Certification Section of the ALSDE on September 1, 2018, and thereafter, the Educative Teacher Performance Assessment (edTPA) will be the required pedagogical assessment for initial certification in those teaching fields for which an edTPA handbook has been developed based on the following approaches:

- Alabama State-Approved Educator Preparation Program
- Career and Technical Certificate to a Professional Educator Certificate
- Early Childhood Development
- Provisional Certificate in a Career and Technical Teaching Field
- Provisional Certificate in a Teaching Field

The Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) will continue to be the required pedagogical assessment for individuals applying based on the Foreign Credentials approach.

For areas where an edTPA handbook has not been developed, the Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) will continue to be the required pedagogical assessment.

Neither edTPA nor PLT will be required if the individual holds a valid Alabama professional educator certificate in a teaching field.

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<b>Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT)</b>								
All P-3 and K-6 Teaching Fields	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades K-6	5622*	160	9/1/2018	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades K-6	0622/5622	145	8/31/2018 **
All 6-12 Teaching Fields	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624*	157	9/1/2018	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 7-12	0624/5624	153	8/31/2018 **
All 4-8 and P-12 Teaching Fields may choose either PLT K-6 or 7-12	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades K-6 <b>OR</b>	5622*	160	9/1/2018	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades K-6	0622/5622	145	8/31/2018 **
	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 7-12	5624*	157	9/1/2018	Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 7-12	0624/5624	153	8/31/2018 **

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edTPA			
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Agriscience (6-12)	Agricultural Education	37	9/1/2018
Arts (P-12) • Dance • Music, Choral Music • Music, Instrumental Music • Theatre • Visual Arts	Performing Arts (Dance, Music, Theatre) Visual Arts	37	9/1/2018
Biology (4-8)	Middle Childhood Science	37	9/1/2018
Biology (6-12)	Secondary Science	37	9/1/2018
Business/Marketing Education (6-12)	Business Education	37	9/1/2018
Career Technologies (6-12)	PLT still required for this field		9/1/2018
Chemistry (4-8)	Middle Childhood Science	37	9/1/2018
Chemistry (6-12)	Secondary Science	37	9/1/2018
Early Childhood Education (P-3)	Early Childhood	37	9/1/2018
Elementary Education (K-6)	Elementary Education (Literacy and Mathematics)	44	9/1/2018
English for Speakers of Other Languages (P-12)	English as Additional Language	37	9/1/2018
English Language Arts (4-8)	Middle Childhood English-Language Arts	37	9/1/2018
English Language Arts (6-12)	Secondary English-Language Arts	37	9/1/2018
Family and Consumer Sciences Education (6-12)	Family and Consumer Science	37	9/1/2018
General Science (4-8)	Middle Childhood Science	37	9/1/2018
General Science (6-12)	Secondary Science	37	9/1/2018
General Social Studies (4-8)	Middle Childhood Social Studies	37	9/1/2018
General Social Studies (6-12)	Secondary History/Social Studies	37	9/1/2018
Geography (4-8)	Middle Childhood Social Studies	37	9/1/2018
Geography (6-12)	Secondary History/Social Studies	37	9/1/2018
Health Education (4-8)	Health Education	37	9/1/2018
Health Education (6-12)	Health Education	37	9/1/2018
Health Science (6-12)	PLT still required for this field		9/1/2018
History (4-8)	Middle Childhood Social Studies	37	9/1/2018
History (6-12)	Secondary History/Social Studies	37	9/1/2018

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Areas of Certification Being Requested	edTPA Handbook	Required Score	Effective Date
Languages Other Than English (P-12; 4-8; 6-12) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arabic</li> <li>• Chinese</li> <li>• French</li> <li>• German</li> <li>• Italian</li> <li>• Japanese</li> <li>• Korean</li> <li>• Russian</li> <li>• Spanish</li> </ul>	World Language	32	9/1/2018
Latin (P-12; 4-8; 6-12)	Classical Language	32	9/1/2018
Mathematics (4-8)	Middle Childhood Math	37	9/1/2018
Mathematics (6-12)	Secondary Math	37	9/1/2018
Physical Education (6-12, PCTF; P-12)	Physical Education	37	9/1/2018
Physics (4-8)	Middle Childhood Science	37	9/1/2018
Physics (6-12)	Secondary Science	37	9/1/2018
Special Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborative Teacher (K-6)</li> <li>• Collaborative Teacher (6-12)</li> <li>• Early Childhood Special Education (P-3)</li> <li>• Hearing Impairment (P-12)</li> <li>• Severe Multiple Disabilities (P-12)</li> <li>• Visual Impairment (P-12)</li> </ul>	Special Education  *Please note: PLT still required for Gifted Education (P-12).	37	9/1/2018
Technical Education (AL Approved Program) (6-12)	PLT still required for this field		9/1/2018
Technical Education (6-12) program areas through the PCCT alternative approach	PLT still required for this field		9/1/2018

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<b>Areas of Certification Based on Combined Approved Programs</b>	<b>Required edTPA Handbook</b>	<b>Required Score</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Collaborative (K-6) and Collaborative (6-12)	Special Education	37	9/1/2018
Collaborative (K-6) and Early Childhood Special Education (P-3)	Special Education	37	9/1/2018
Collaborative (K-6) and Elementary Education (K-6)	Elementary Education	44	9/1/2018
Early Childhood (P-3) and Early Childhood Special Education (P-3)	Early Childhood	37	9/1/2018
Early Childhood (P-3) and Elementary Education (K-6)	Elementary Education	44	9/1/2018
Early Childhood (P-3), Early Childhood Special Education (P-3), Collaborative (K-6), and Elementary Education (K-6)	Elementary Education	44	9/1/2018
English for Speakers of Other Languages (P-12) and Languages Other Than English (P-12; 4-8; 6-12)	English as Additional Language	37	9/1/2018
Health Education(6-12) and Physical Education (P-12)	Physical Education	37	9/1/2018
Physics (6-12) and Mathematics (6-12)	Secondary Science	37	9/1/2018

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