Educator Licensure Testing Requirements
(as of January 1, 2014)

Licensure tests and qualifying scores listed in the following charts are subject to change by the State Board of Education of Ohio.

Updates:

- **Effective September 3, 2013, Evaluation Systems group of Pearson became the provider of educator licensure assessments. Pearson provides assessments for state-sponsored testing programs and develops custom educator licensure assessments that are aligned to state standards. Except for the ETS Praxis assessments listed below, Pearson assessments will be required for licensure. Candidates seeking licensure to teach world languages will continue to utilize the OPI and WPT provided by Language Testing International/ACTFL.**

- **The following Praxis II assessments are required for licensure until further notice:**
  - ✓ **Praxis II Health Education / 5551**
  - ✓ **Praxis II Audiology / 0342 or 5342**
  - ✓ **Praxis II School Psychologist / 0401**
  - ✓ **Praxis II School Speech-Language Pathology / 0330 or 5330**

- **Individuals who successfully completed a Praxis series test required for licensure prior to the change to an OAE test (other than those listed above) may use these tests and test results to satisfy the licensure testing requirement at the time licensure is sought.**

Introduction

The implementation of educator testing in Ohio is in response to standards adopted by the State Board of Education (see Ohio Administrative Code). The State Board of Education has adopted examinations for licensure that are provided by **(1)** Evaluation Systems group of Pearson (Pearson), **(2)** Educational Testing Service (ETS) and **(3)** the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL). Successful completion of required tests is designed to ensure that candidates for licensure have acquired the minimal knowledge necessary for entry-level positions.

Licensure tests provided by ACTFL/LTI are required of all modern world language candidates. These assessments ensure the spoken and written language proficiency of candidates for licensure to teach modern world languages.

The ODE requires only **ONE** Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment test be successfully completed in an educator's career. However, new content or licensure areas require additional Pearson, ACTFL or Praxis II subject tests to establish minimum competency in that subject area. Any applicant interested in specific test requirements of an educator preparation program **MUST** contact the school, college, or department of education of an approved institution. Any person holding licensure in another state and interested in obtaining Ohio licensure should contact the Ohio Department of Education (ODE), Center for the Teaching Profession, Office of Educator Licensure, 25 S. Front Street, MS 105, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4183, (614) 466-3593 or (Toll free) 877-644-6338.
Email: educator.licensure@education.ohio.gov

What tests are required?

- Ohio Assessments for Educators provided by **Evaluation Systems group of Pearson**. These assessments include Professional Knowledge Assessments and content tests.

- Where specified, Praxis II subject assessments provided **by Educational Testing Service** are required.

- Tests in World Languages which are provided by **ACTFL** and include two components**:** the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and the Writing Proficiency Test (WPT). Refer to the chart for required languages assessments.

What are the registration procedures?

- **Evaluation Systems group of Pearson:** Online registration for these computer-delivered tests is available 24 hours per day, 7 days a week. The option is available to register up to 24 hours before testing. Access the following website for information. http://www.oh.nesinc.com/

- **Educational Testing Service:** Praxis II content tests are required as indicated. These tests are provided in paper-delivered format. Computer-delivered tests are available where specified. Registration for paper-delivered Praxis II tests is available at www.ets.org/Praxis. Registration for computer-delivered tests is available at: http://www.ets.org/praxis/register/computer.

- Registration for **ACTFL** tests is available on the ACTFL website, www.languagetesting.com. Registrants have a choice of applying online or downloading the application and submitting it via fax or ground mail.

When and where are the tests administered?

- All Pearson assessments are computer-delivered and offered continuously on demand. In Ohio, testing is available at Pearson Professional Centers or Educator preparation program sites. Out-of-state centers are also available. Follow the registration directions indicated at the website. http://www.oh.nesinc.com/

- ETS Praxis II paper-delivered tests are offered at regularly scheduled administration dates. Testing sites are geographically situated throughout Ohio and the United States. Consult the Praxis Series Registration Bulletin or the Educational Testing Service website for specific dates and test sites. Computer-delivered tests are given year-round by appointment at designated sites. Follow the registration directions indicated at the website. For paper-delivered tests access: www.ets.org/praxis. For computer-delivered tests access: www.ets.org/praxis/register/computer

- ACTFL language tests are administered at a date and time agreed upon between the examinee and ACTFL. The specifics are available on the ACTFL website: www.languagetesting.com

Where should test results be reported?

- **ETS**
  - Out-of-state applicants are responsible for authorizing ETS to release the test results to the Ohio Department of Education (**recipient number 7945**).

    http://education.ohio.gov (Search Keyword: Educator Licensure)

  - In-state applicants are responsible for authorizing testing companies to release test results to the college or university where the applicant is enrolled.

- **Evaluation Systems group of Pearson**
  - Out-of-state applicants are responsible for accessing their account and clicking on the link "Request a Copy of Your Test Results". The individual uses this link to request an additional score report which then accompanies his/her application for licensure. There is a fee associated with this request.

- **ACTFL**
  - Individuals who have previously completed the ACTFL OPI and/or WPI in another state, or in Ohio prior to February 2009 and would like that rating to apply to their licensure application, will need to arrange for test results to be electronically reported to the Ohio Department of Education. In order to do this, email: processing@languagetesting.com and ask for a *Request for an Official Certificate* form, which can then be sent via email, fax or mail. An additional fee is required to obtain a certified copy. Amount of the fee is available on the LTI website. Payment should be included when the form is submitted.

May a candidate retake failed tests?

- Yes, a candidate for licensure may retake any or all required tests. Access the Pearson, ETS and ACTFL websites for details regarding the retest policies of each test provider.

How may a candidate qualify for accommodations?

- All determinations for extra time or special needs are determined by the test providers.

  For Pearson test accommodations see the Pearson website:
  http://www.oh.nesinc.com

  For Praxis test accommodations see the ETS website:
  www.ets.org/praxis

  For ACTFL test accommodations policy see the ACTFL website:
  www.languagetesting.com

Test Requirements by Ohio Educator Licensure Area

Early Childhood (Grades PK-3)

Tests and qualifying scores listed in the following charts are subject to change by the State Board of Education of Ohio.

Early Childhood PK-3 (71-no code)	Licensure Area/OAE Required Assessment/Code Number	Qualifying Score
Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment	Assessment of Prof. Knowledge: Early Childhood (PK-3) / 001	220
Content Assessment	Early Childhood Education / 012	220

Middle Childhood (Grades 4-9)

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Middle Childhood (Grades 4-9)	Licensure Area/OAE Required Assessment/ Code Number		Qualifying Score
Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment	Assessment of Professional Knowledge: Middle Childhood (4-9) / 002		220
Content Knowledge Assessment Middle Childhood **License specifies areas of concentration in at least two of the following.**	**Area of Licensure (Type and Code)**	**OAE Assessment/Code Number**	**Qualifying Score**
	Language Arts and Reading (62-050150)	Middle Grades English Language Arts / 028	220
	Mathematics (62-110100)	Middle Grades Mathematics / 030	220
	Science (62-130102)	Middle Grades Science / 029	220
	Social Studies (62-150003)	Middle Grades Social Studies / 031	220

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Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)

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Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12 Integrated Areas)	Licensure Area/OAE Required Assessment/Code Number		Qualifying Score
Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment	Assessment of Professional Knowledge: Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12) / 003		220
Content Knowledge Assessments	**Area of Licensure (Type and Code)**	**OAE/ Assessment/Code Number**	**Qualifying Score**
	Integrated Language Arts (63-050145)	English Language Arts / 020	220
	Integrated Mathematics (63-110094)	Mathematics / 027	220
	Integrated Science (63-132010)	Integrated Science / 024	220
	Integrated Social Studies (63-150004)	Integrated Social Studies / 025	220
	Life Science (63-132030)	Biology / 007	220
	Earth Sciences (63-132040)	Earth and Space Science / 014	220
	Physical Sciences: Chemistry (63-132150)	Chemistry / 009	220
	Physical Sciences: Physics (63-132160)	Physics / 035	220
	Physical Sciences: Chemistry and Physics (63-132020)	Chemistry / 009 **and** Physics / 035	220 220
	Life Sciences/Earth Sciences (63-132034)	Biology / 007 **and** Earth and Space Science / 014	220 220
	Life Sciences/Physics (63-132035)	Biology / 007 **and** Physics / 035	220 220

	Life Sciences/Chemistry (63-132036)	Biology / 007 **and** Chemistry / 009	220 220
	Earth Sciences/Physics (63-132045)	Earth and Space Science / 014 **and** Physics 035	220 220
	Earth Sciences/Chemistry (63-132046)	Earth and Space Science / 014 **and** Chemistry / 009	220 220

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Multi-Age (PK-12)

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Multi-Age (PK-12)	Licensure Area/OAE/PRAXIS II Required Assessment/Code Number		Qualifying Score
Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment	Assessment of Prof. Knowledge: Multi-Age (PK-12) 004		220
Content Knowledge Assessment	**Area of Licensure (Type and Code**	**OAE/PRAXIS II/ACTFL Content Test Name/Code Number**	**Qualifying Score**
	Computer Information Science (64-111780)	OAE Computer Information Science / 010	220
	Dance (64-080302)	No subject assessment required at this time	
	Drama Theater (64-0580338)	OAE Theater / 048	220
	Modern Language – French (64-060230)	**ACTFL** Oral Proficiency Interview **and** Writing Proficiency Test	Intermediate-High
	Modern Language – German (64-060235)	**ACTFL** Oral Proficiency Interview **and** Writing Proficiency Test	Intermediate-High
	Modern Language – Spanish (64-060265)	**ACTFL** Oral Proficiency Interview **and** Writing Proficiency Test	Intermediate-High
	Modern and Classical Language – Other (64-xxxxxx) Contact Office of Licensure for codes	**ACTFL** Oral Proficiency Interview **and** Writing Proficiency Test (Access the ACTFL website for list of languages. At this time there are no tests for Classical Latin & Classical Greek.)	Intermediate-High
	Health (64-080115)	**PRAXIS II** Health / 5551	127

	Library/Media (64-050675)	OAE School Library Media Specialist / 041	220
	Music (64-120050)	OAE Music / 032	220
	Physical Education (64-080305)	OAE Physical Education / 034	220
	TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) (64-050250)	OAE English to Speakers of Other Languages / 021	220
	Visual Arts (64-020012)	OAE Art / 006	220

Intervention Specialist (Grade bands as indicated)

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Intervention Specialist	Licensure Area/OAE Required Assessment/Code Number		Qualifying Score
Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment	Assessment of Prof. Knowledge: Early Childhood (PK-3) / 001		220
	Area of Licensure (Type and Code)	**OAE Content Test Name/Code Number**	**Qualifying Score**
Content Knowledge Assessment	Early Childhood Intervention Specialist (PK-3) (72- no code)	Early Childhood Special Education / 013	220
Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment	Assessment of Prof. Knowledge: Multi-Age (PK-12) / 004		220
Content Knowledge Assessment	**Area of Licensure (Type and Code)**	**OAE Content Test Name/Code Number**	**Qualifying Score**
	Gifted (K-12) (65-196212)	No subject assessment required at this time.	
	Hearing Impaired (PK-12) (65-196116)	Special Education Specialist: Deaf/Hard of Hearing / 044	220
	Mild-Moderate Needs (K-12) (65-196140)	Special Education / 043	220
	Moderate/Intensive Needs (K-12) (65-196142)	Special Education / 043	220
	Visually Impaired (PK-12) (65-196109)	Special Education Specialist: Visually Impaired / 045	220

Career-Technical Baccalaureate (Grades 4-12 and beyond)

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Career-Technical Baccalaureate (Grades 4-12 and beyond)	Licensure Area/OAE Required Assessment/Code Number		Qualifying Score
Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment	OAE Assessment of Professional Knowledge Middle Childhood (4-9) / 002 **OR** OAE Assessment of Professional Knowledge Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12) /003		220 220
Content Knowledge Assessment	**Area of Licensure (Type and Code)**	**OAE/ Required Assessment/ Code Number**	**Qualifying Score**
	Agriscience (66-010100)	No subject assessment required at this time	
	Family and Consumer Sciences (66-090120)	Family and Consumer Science / 022	220
	Integrated Business (66-140550)	Business Education/ 008	220
	Marketing (66-040800)	Marketing / 026	220
	Technology Education (669-160610)	Technology Education (Subtest l) /046 **and** Technology Education (Subtest ll) /047	220 220

Endorsements

(Endorsements may be added to any standard teaching license unless limited by age or grade as noted below.)

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Area of Licensure (Type and Code)	OAE Required Assessment/Code Number	Qualifying Score
Adapted Physical Education (PK-12) (limited to Physical Education License) (xx-080505)	No subject assessment required at this time	
Bilingual Education (PK-12) (xx-180500	No subject assessment required at this time	
Career Based Intervention (7-12) (xx-600100)	No subject assessment required at this time	
Computer Technology (xx-111770)	Computer/Technology (Subtest I) / 016 **and** Computer/Technology (Subtest II) / 017	220 220
Early Childhood (4-5) Generalist (Limited to Early Childhood (PK-3) license holders to meet additional requirements to teach grades four and five) (xx-185000)	Elementary Education (Subtest I) / 018 **and** Elementary Education (Subtest II) 019	220 220
Gifted Intervention Specialist (K-12) (xx-196210)	No subject assessment required at this time	
Literacy Specialist (candidates applying for this endorsement must have at least 3 years of successful experience in the teaching of reading under a standard license and have previously obtained the Reading Endorsement) (xx-050315)	No subject assessment required at this time	

Mathematics Specialist (PK-6) (Limited to PK, elementary or early childhood license or middle childhood, high school, or AYA mathematics license) (xx-110315	No subject assessment required at this time	
Middle Childhood Generalist (4-6) (Limited to Middle Childhood License with two areas) Language Arts and Reading (4-6) (xx-050155) Science (4-6) (xx-130155) Mathematics (4-6) (xx-110155) Social Studies (4-6) (xx-150155)	Choose **one** option: Option 1: 1A. Elementary Education (Subtest I) / 018 **and** 1B. Elementary Education (Subtest II) / 019 Option 2: *The content test(s) for each content area being added to the MC License*. 2A. Middle School English Language Arts / 028 2B. Middle School Science / 029 2C. Middle School Mathematics / 030 2D. OAE Middle School Social Studies / 031	220 220 220 220 220 220
Pre-kindergarten (Limited to ages 3-5) (Limited to kindergarten-primary, elementary, family and consumer sciences [home economics], or special certificates for education of the handicapped) (xx-180108)	Prekindergarten I / 036 **and** Prekindergarten II / 037	220 220
Pre-kindergarten Special Needs (Limited to pre-kindergarten, special education, or the early childhood education teaching licenses and valid for teaching learners in pre-kindergarten, ages 3-5 only). (xx-196097)	Early Childhood Special Education / 013	220
Reading (K-12) (xx-059902)	Reading (Subtest I) / 038 **and** Reading Subtest II) /039	220 220
School Nurse Wellness Coordinator (Limited to professional school nurse license or professional or permanent school nurse certificate)	No subject assessment required at this time	

Science Specialist (PK-9) (Limited to kindergarten-primary, elementary or early childhood license or middle-childhood, high school or AYA science license) (xx-130160)	No subject assessment required at this time	
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) (PK-12) (xx-050275)	English to Speakers of Other Languages / 21	220
Teacher Leader (Limited to a professional teaching license or permanent teaching certificate) (xx-550100)	No subject assessment required at this time	
Transition to Work (limited to intervention specialist or career-technical vocational license) (xx-600010)	No subject assessment required at this time	

Administrator

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Area of Licensure (Type and Code)	**OAE Professional Knowledge Assessment**	**OAE Content Assessment/ Code Number**	**Qualifying Score**
Principal (grades PK-6) (limited to an Early Childhood, Middle Childhood, Multi-Age, or Intervention Specialist license) (73-280100) Principal (grades 4-9) (limited to a Middle Childhood, Multi-Age, Adolescence to Young Adult, or Intervention Specialist License) (73-280200) Principal (grades 5-12) (limited to a Middle Childhood, Multi-Age, Intervention Specialist, Adolescence to Young Adult or Vocational/Career Technical license) (73-280300) Superintendent (limited to a Principal or Administrative Specialist license) (68-no code) Curriculum Instruction and Prof. Development (limited to a valid professional teacher license or professional pupil services license) (80-281300) Educational Research (limited to a valid professional teacher license or professional pupil services license) (80-281100) Educational Staff Personnel Administration (limited to a valid professional teacher license or professional pupil services license) (80-281200) Pupil Services Administration (limited to a professional pupil services license) (80-281400) School-Community Relations (limited to a valid professional teacher license or professional pupil services license) (80-281500) Career Technical (Vocational) Education Administration (limited to a valid professional teacher license or professional pupil services license) (80-281600)	No Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment Required	Educational Leadership / 015	220
Endorsement: Urban Principal (xx-280400) (Limited to a principal license)	No subject assessment required at this time		

Professional Pupil Services (Grades – all)

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Professional Pupil Services	**Licensure Area/OAE/ PRAXIS II Required Assessment/Code Number**		**Qualifying Score**
Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment	No pedagogical knowledge assessment required		
Content Knowledge Assessment	**Area of Licensure (Type and Code)**	OAE/ **PRAXIS II Required Assessment /Code Number**	
	School Audiologist (74-270100)	**PRAXIS II** Audiology / 0342 or 5342	170
	School Counselor (74-270200)	OAE School Counselor / 040	220
	School Nurse (74-270800)	No subject test required at this time	
	School Psychologist (74-270700)	OAE School Psychologist / 042 **OR** **PRAXIS II** School Psychologist / 0401	220 161
	School Speech-Language Pathologist (74-270400)	**PRAXIS II** School Speech-Language Pathology / 0330 or 5330	600
	School Social Worker (74-270300)	No subject test required at this time	
	Orientation and Mobility Specialist (74-270900)	No subject test required at this time	
	Occupational Therapist (74-270500)	No subject test required at this time	
	Physical Therapist (74-270600)	No subject test required at this time	

Associate

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Associate	Licensure Area/ Required Assessment/Code Number		Qualifying Score
Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment	No professional knowledge assessment required		
Content Knowledge Assessment	**Area of Licensure (Type and Code)**	**OAE Content Test Name/Code Number**	**Qualifying Score**
	Education Paraprofessional (67-282100)	No subject assessment required	
	Interpreter for the Hearing Impaired (67-282200)	No subject assessment required	
	Occupational Therapy Assistant (67-270550)	No subject assessment required	
	Physical Therapy Assistant (67-270650)	No subject assessment required	
	Prekindergarten (67-180109)	Prekindergarten I / 036 and Prekindergarten II / 037	220 220