NEW PRAXIS REQUIREMENT!
Entry Assessments to Virginia Approved Teacher Education Programs
Effective January 1, 2014

On June 27, 2013, the Virginia Board of Education prescribed the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Tests as the assessments of basic skills for individuals seeking entry into an approved education program and adopted the passing scores for the assessments to become effective January 1, 2014. These tests will replace the Praxis I Pre-Professional Skills Tests (PPST) in Reading, Writing, and Mathematics. Information on the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Tests, adopted passing scores, effective date, and recommendations approved by the Board related to implementation of the assessments are provided as follows:

Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educator Tests

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<td>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading (5712)</td>
<td>156*</td>
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<td>Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (5751) (if taking all three computer-delivered exams at the same time, select this Test Code: 5751)</td>
<td>There is NO Composite Score for these assessments</td>
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Test At A Glance:
http://www.ets.org/praxis/prepare/materials/

* The Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Tests require a passing score for each of the three subtests: Reading (5712), Writing (5722), and Mathematics (5732)

NOTE: Individuals who passed the Praxis I-PPST assessments prior to December 31, 2013, are deemed to have passed the prescribed assessment required for entry into a Virginia approved teacher education program.
Substitute Tests for the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Tests

On June 27, 2013 the Virginia Board of Education approved the current approved SAT and ACT substitute tests and passing scores as substitute tests for the basic skills entry assessment to be accepted until comparison studies using the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Tests can be completed:

### 1. SAT as a substitute test for the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Tests

| SAT Taken Prior to April 1, 1995: | a score of **1000** with at least **450** on the verbal and **510** on the mathematics tests |
| SAT Taken After April 1, 1995: | a score of **1100** with at least **530** on the verbal and **530** on the mathematics tests |

### 2. ACT as a substitute test for the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Tests

| ACT Taken Prior to April 1, 1995 *(taken prior to 1989, NOT valid)* | a composite score of 21, with the ACT mathematics score no less than 21, and an ACT English Plus Reading score no less than 37 |
| *(At one time, the English Plus Reading was not offered.)* | NOTE: You must have taken and met passing scores for the ACT Mathematics and English Plus Reading score |
| ACT Taken After April 1, 1995 | a composite score of 24, with the ACT mathematics score no less than 22, and an ACT English Plus Reading score no less than 46 |

### 3. VCLA and Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics

- **VCLA Reading Subtest (091) and Writing Subtest (092)**
  - Composite Score: 470 or better
- **Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics**
  - 150 or better

### 4. VCLA and SAT Mathematics

- **VCLA Reading Subtest (091) and Writing Subtest (092)**
  - Composite Score: 470 or better
- **SAT Mathematics**
  - 510 or better prior to 4/1/95
  - 530 or better after 4/1/95

### 5. VCLA and ACT Mathematics

- **VCLA Reading Subtest (091) and Writing Subtest (092)**
  - Composite Score: 470 or better
- **ACT Mathematics**
  - 21 or better prior to 4/1/95
  - 22 or better after 4/1/95

**Source:** Virginia Department of Education, August 2013