

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Item
Consent Agenda
June 17, 2021

OFFICE OF EDUCATOR LICENSURE

- K. Approval to establish a qualifying score for the newly revised versions of certain Praxis Subject Assessments: Audiology (Test Code 5343); Mathematics (Test Code 5165); Middle School Mathematics (Test Code 5164); and Middle School Science (Test Code 5442) as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development and approval to add Middle School Math grades 7-8 (Endorsement Code 901) to the list of approved supplemental endorsements that may be added to a valid three (3) year or valid five (5) year license with eighteen (18) hours of acceptable coursework bearing the MAT subject area prefix

Background Information: On May 7, 2021, the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (Licensure Commission) granted approval of the adoption of the following newly revised *Praxis Subject Assessments* and associated qualifying scores:

Test Name	Recommended Qualifying Score
Audiology (Test Code 5343)	156
Mathematics (Test Code 5165)	152
Middle School Mathematics (Test Code 5164)	150
Middle School Science (Test Code 5442)	147

The new versions of the *Praxis Subject Assessments* will replace the current versions and shall have an effective date of September 1, 2021. In addition, the current versions of the assessments will be discontinued effective August 31, 2021. Adhering to the Mississippi State Board of Education’s Discontinued Test Policy, Mississippi’s qualifying passing scores for the respective discontinued versions of the assessments will be accepted through August 31, 2023 if that qualifying passing score was achieved on or prior to August 31, 2021.

The Office of Educator Licensure is requesting approval to add Middle School Math grades 7-8 (Endorsement Code 901) to the list of approved supplemental endorsements that may be added to a valid three (3) year or valid five (5) year license with eighteen (18) hours of acceptable coursework bearing the MAT subject area and remove any reference to the MDE approved Math and Science

Partnerships initiatives that are now obsolete. The items in this section shall be effective upon receipt of final State Board of Education approval.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

**APPENDIX A:
SUPPLEMENTAL ENDORSEMENTS ADDED TO A VALID MISSISSIPPI LICENSE (CONTINUED)**

**Supplemental Endorsements that may be Added to a Three-Year or Five-Year License with
Eighteen (18) Hours of Coursework in Subject Area
(Coursework must have an earned grade of “C” or higher)**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>AREA</u>
102	Art Education (K-12)
104	Bible (7-12)
105	Business Education (7-12)
119	English (7-12)
123	Drama (Performing Arts) (K-12)
130	French (K-12)
132	Chinese (Mandarin) (K-12)
134	German (7-12)
135	Latin (K-12)
136	Italian (K-12)
139	Russian (K-12)
140	Spanish (K-12)
144	Physical Education (K-12)
149	Journalism (7-12)
901	Mathematics (7-8)
165	Music Education Instrumental (K-12)
166	Music Education Vocal (K-12)
171	Psychology (7-12)
181	Biology (7-12)
185	Chemistry (7-12)
188	General Science (7-12)
189	Physics (7-12)
192	Social Studies (7-12)
193	Economics (7-12)
196	Speech Communications (7-12)
302	Agriculture (7-12)
318	Marketing (7-12)
322	Home Economics (7-12)

~~The following may also be added by completion of MDE-approved Math & Science Partnerships
Added to Elementary or Special Education licenses only:~~

~~901 or 905 Math (7-8)~~

~~904 or 908 Science (7-8)~~

405 and 411 are academic endorsements that are added by completion of special CTE requirements

Added by completion of MDE Approved Early Childhood Specialized Training

122 Pre-Kindergarten add-on endorsement can only be added to a valid Elementary Education (116, 152, or 120) or select Special Education (221, 222, or 223) licenses that includes Kindergarten by completion of the MDE Approved Early Childhood Specialized Training

Special Note -- Advanced Placement Endorsement: *Effective with the 2020-2021 school year, teachers may teach an Advanced Placement course with the appropriate secondary education content area endorsement.*

APPENDIX B : PRAXIS II EXAMINATION SCORES REQUIRED BY MISSISSIPPI
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SPECIALTY AREA TEST CODE	SCALED SCORE
Algebra I (7-12)	148
Art Education (5134)	158
Audiology (5342)	170
Audiology (5343)	156
Biology (5235)	150
Braille Proficiency (0633) – Visually Impaired (5282) is also required.	165
Business Education (5101)	153
Chemistry (5245)	151
Chinese (Mandarin) (5665)	164
Computer Science (5652)	149
Economics (0911)	150
Education of Young Children (5024)	160
Elementary Education (K-6) (5017)	153
Elementary Education (4-6) (5018) Alternate Route Only	163
Emotionally Disturbed/Behavior Disorders (5372)	154
English Language and Literature (5038)	167
English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	149
French (5174)	153
Geometry (7-12)	139
German (5183)	154
Professional School Counselor (5421)	156
Health Education (5551)	149
Hearing Disability (5272)	160
Home Economics/Family & Consumer Science (5122)	153
Latin (5601)	152
Library Media Specialist (5311)	143
Marketing (5561)	151
Mathematics (5161)	152
Mathematics (5165)	152
Middle Grade Math (5169) supplemental only	165
Middle School Mathematics (5164) supplemental only	150
Middle Grade Language Arts (5047) supplemental only	164
Middle Grade Social Studies (5089) supplemental only	149
Middle Grade Science (5440) supplemental only	150
Middle Grade Science (5442) supplemental only	147
Music Education (5113)	161
Physical Education (5091)	145
Physics (5265)	139
School Leaders Licensure Assessment (6990)	151
School Psychologist (5402)	147
Social Studies (5081)	150
Spanish (5195)	160
Special Education (5354)	152
Special Education Fundamental Subjects HQ (5511)	142
Speech Communication (5221)	143
Speech-Language Pathology (5331)	162
Technology Education (5051)	159
Visually Impaired (5282) – Braille Proficiency (0633) is also required.	163

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
DISCONTINUED TEST AND/OR ADJUSTED SCORE POLICY**

Discontinued Test/Adjusted Score Policy

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The chart below serves as an illustration of the assessment implementation process for a Mississippi-approved educator licensure assessment that is currently affected by the discontinued test policy. Official score reports shall be received in the Division of Educator Licensure via electronic score transmission directly from the administering testing company as applicable.

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5165 Mathematics	152	9/1/2021	5161 Mathematics	152	8/31/2021	8/31/2023
5164 Middle School Mathematics	150	9/1/2021	5169 Middle School Mathematics	165	8/31/2021	8/31/2023
5442 Middle School Science	147	9/1/2021	5440 Middle School Science	150	8/31/2021	8/31/2023
5733 Praxis Core: Mathematics	130	9/1/2019	5732 Praxis Core: Mathematics	150	8/31/2019	8/31/2021
5723 Praxis Core: Writing	Test Code Change Only 162	9/1/2019	5722 Praxis Core: Writing	Test Code Change Only 162	8/31/2019 (Test 5723 or Test 5722 Required beginning 9/1/2019)	N/A
5713 Praxis Core: Reading	Test Code Change Only 156	9/1/2019	5712 Praxis Core: Reading	Test Code Change Only 156	8/31/2019 (Test 5713 or Test 5712 Required beginning 9/1/2019)	N/A

6990 School Leaders Licensure Assessment (SLLA)	151	9/1/2018	6011	169	8/31/2018	8/31/2020
5161 Mathematics: Content Knowledge	152	5/17/2018	N/A	Score Change Only (from 160 to 152)	N/A 8/31/2021	N/A 8/31/2023
0633 Braille Proficiency	165	9/1/2017	0631	158	8/31/2017	8/31/2019

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