

Pennsylvania Department of Education
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	Fundamental Subjects Content Knowledge (5511/0511)		155	150	149	148	146	145	ETS
Agriculture PK-12	Agriculture (5701)	Yes	155	147	146	145	144	141	ETS
Art Education PK-12	Art: Content Knowledge (5134)	Yes	164	158	157	155	154	152	ETS
Biology 7-12	Biology: Content Knowledge (5235) Discontinued 8/31/22-See (**) on test homepage for more info		152	147	146	145	143	142	ETS
Biology 7-12	Biology (5236) Available 9/1/22-See (**) on test homepage for more info		161	154	153	151	150	148	ETS
Business-Computer-Information Technology PK-12	Business Education (5101)	Yes	159	154	153	152	150	149	ETS
Chemistry 7-12	Chemistry: Content Knowledge (5245) Discontinued 8/31/22-See (**) on test homepage for more info		160	154	153	151	150	148	ETS
Chemistry 7-12	Chemistry (5246) Available 9/1/22-See (**) on test homepage for more info		153	146	145	143	142	140	ETS
Citizenship Education 7-12	Citizenship Ed: Content Knowledge (5087)		153	148	147	146	144	143	ETS
Communications 7-12	Speech Communication (5221)		150	145	144	143	141	140	ETS
Computer Science 7-12	Computer Science (5652)		156	149	148	146	145	143	ETS
Cooperative Education 7-12	Cooperative Work Education (5961 or 5962)		650	644	643	641	640	638	Contact Your Program Advisor
Earth and Space Science 7-12	Earth and Space Sciences: Content Knowledge (5571) Discontinued 8/31/22-See (**) on test homepage		162	157	156	155	153	152	ETS
Earth and Space Science 7-12	Earth and Space Sciences (5572) Available 9/1/22-See (**) on test homepage for more info		161	154	153	151	150	148	ETS
English 7-12	English Language Arts: Content Knowledge (5038)		173	167	166	164	163	162	ETS

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Environmental Education PK-12	Environmental Education (0831) may be discontinued 6/2017	Yes	164	156	155	154	153	150	ETS
Family & Consumer Science PK-12	Family & Consumer Science (5122)	Yes	160	153	151	150	149	146	ETS
General Science 7-12	General Science: Content Knowledge (5435) Discontinued 8/31/22-See (**) on test homepage		152	146	145	143	142	140	ETS
General Science 7-12	General Science (5436) Available 9/1/22-See (**) on test homepage for more info		149	141	140	138	137	135	ETS

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Grades 4-8: Modules 1, 2 and 3 plus at least one Subject Concentration are required for certification									ETS
Grades 4-8	Pennsylvania Grades 4-8: Module 1- Pedagogy (5153)		168	162	161	159	158	156	
Grades 4-8	Pennsylvania Grades 4-8: Module 2- English Language Arts & Social Studies (5154)		160	152	150	148	146	144	
Grades 4-8	Pennsylvania Grades 4-8: Module 3- Mathematics & Science (5155)		172	164	162	160	158	156	
Grades 4-8 English	Pennsylvania Grades 4-8: Subject Concentration - English Language Arts (5156)		163	156	154	153	151	149	
Grades 4-8 Science	Pennsylvania Grades 4-8: Subject Concentration - Science (5159)		163	156	154	153	151	149	
Grades 4-8 Social Studies	Pennsylvania Grades 4-8: Subject Concentration - Social Studies (5157)		157	150	148	147	145	143	
Grades 4-8 Mathematics	Pennsylvania Grades 4-8: Subject Concentration -Mathematics (5158)		182	173	171	169	166	164	
Grades PreK-4: Modules 1, 2 and 3 are required for certification									ES Pearson
Grades PreK-4	Pre-K-4 Module 1: Child Dev, Assessment, Professionalism (8006)		227	197	190	182	175	168	
Grades PreK-4	Pre-K-4 Module 2: Lang, Social Stud, Arts (8007)		219	193	187	180	174	167	
Grades PreK-4	Pre-K-4 Module 3: Math, Science, Health (8008)		219	193	187	180	174	167	
Grades 5-6 may only be added to a Pennsylvania Instructional Grades PK-4 certificate. Modules 2 and 3 are required. GPA does not apply.									ETS
Grades 5-6 Add-on to Grades PreK-4	Pennsylvania Grades 4-8: Module 2- English Language Arts & Social Studies (5154)		N/A	152	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Grades 5-6 Add-on to Grades PreK-4	Pennsylvania Grades 4-8: Module 3- Mathematics & Science (5155)		N/A	164	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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Health & Physical Education PK-12	Health & Physical Education Content Knowledge (5857)	Yes	167	160	159	158	156	155	ETS
Health Education PK-12	Health Education (5551)	Yes	164	158	157	155	154	152	ETS
Library Science PK-12	Library Media Specialist (5311) Discontinued 8/31/22-See (**) on test homepage for more info	Yes	156	151	150	149	147	146	ETS
Library Science PK-12	School Librarian (5312) Available 9/1/22-See (**) on test homepage for more info	Yes	161	154	153	152	151	149	ETS
Marketing Education PK-12	Marketing Education (5561)	Yes	150	144	143	141	140	138	ETS
Mathematics 7-12	Mathematics: Content Knowledge (5161) Discontinued 8/31/22-See (**) on test homepage for more info		184	160	154	148	142	136	ETS
Mathematics 7-12	Mathematics (5165) Currently Available-See (**) on test homepage for more info		168	159	158	156	154	152	ETS
Music Education PK-12	Music: Content Knowledge (5113)	Yes	163	158	157	156	154	153	ETS
Physics 7-12	Physics: Content Knowledge (5265) Discontinued 8/31/22 -See (**) on test homepage for more info		146	140	139	137	136	134	ETS
Physics 7-12	Physics (5266) Available 9/1/22-See (**) on test homepage for more info		152	145	144	143	142	140	ETS
Reading Specialist PK-12	Reading Specialist (5302)	†	170	164	163	161	160	158	ETS
Safety/Driver Education 7-12	Safety/Driver Education (0861)		559	520	510	501	491	481	PDE
Social Studies 7-12	Social Studies: Content Knowledge (5081)		162	157	156	155	153	152	ETS
Technology Education PK-12	Technology Education (5051)	Yes	164	159	158	157	155	154	ETS
Special Education PK-8 and Special Education PK-8 Expansion: Modules 1 and 2 are required for certification									ES Pearson

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Special Education PK-8	Spec Ed: PreK-8 Module 1 (8011)		243	220	214	208	202	197	
Special Education PK-8	Spec Ed: PreK-8 Module 2 (8012)		243	220	214	208	202	197	

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Special Education 7-12 and Special Education 7-12 Expansion: Modules 1 and 2 are required for certification									ES Pearson
Special Education 7-12	Spec Ed: 7-12 Module 1 (8015)		242	220	215	209	204	198	
Special Education 7-12	Spec Ed: 7-12 Module 2 (8016)		239	220	215	210	206	201	
Special Education PK-12 Certificates									ETS
Special Education PK-12	Spec Education: Core Knowledge and Applications (5354)	Yes	156	151	150	149	148	147	
Hearing Impaired PK-12	Spec Ed: Education of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students (5272)	Yes	166	160	159	157	156	154	
Visually Impaired PK-12	Spec Ed: Teaching Students with Visual Impairments (5282)	Yes	169	163	162	160	159	157	
Speech & Language Impaired PK-12	Speech Language Pathology (5331)	Yes	169	162	161	160	158	157	
World Languages: When an ETS and LTI test exist for the same language, either test is accepted.									
All Languages*	ACTFL OPI/OPIc/ProFluent+ and WPT: World Languages	Yes	N/A	Intermediate High	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	LTI
American Sign Language PK-12	American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (0634)	Yes	N/A	160	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	ETS
Chinese (Mandarin) PK-12	Chinese (Mandarin): World Language (5665/0665)	Yes	170	164	163	161	160	159	ETS
French PK-12	French: World Languages (5174)	Yes	167	162	161	160	158	157	ETS
German PK-12	German: World Languages (5183)	Yes	168	163	162	161	159	158	ETS
Latin PK-12	Latin (5601) effective 8/1/2012	Yes	157	152	151	150	148	147	ETS
Spanish PK-12	Spanish: World Languages (5195)	Yes	173	168	167	166	164	163	ETS

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* Language availability changes frequently. Please visit the ACTFL (LTI) website for oral and written test availability. Certification languages are listed on our website.

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