

**WHAT TESTS ARE REQUIRED FOR CERTIFICATION IN PA?**

Please request that Immaculata University (school code 2320) and the PA Department of Education receive your test scores.

Please review the test information below for the program that you are in or completed. If you are unsure of what test(s) to take, please reach out the certification officer. The contact information is below.

Certification Type/Program:	Test Name:	Test #:	Administered By/Website to Register:
Elementary: Pre K through Grade 4	The Pre K-4 Assessments (includes 3 modules)	Pre-K-4 Module 1: Child Dev, Assessment, Professionalism (8006) Pre-K-4 Module 2: Lang, Social Stud, Arts (8007) Pre-K-4 Module 3: Math, Science, Health (8008)	Pearson: (www.pa.nesinc.com)
Pre K-4 and Special Education PK-12	The Pre K-4 Assessment (includes 3 modules)	Pre-K-4 Module 1: Child Dev, Assessment, Professionalism (8006) Pre-K-4 Module 2: Lang, Social Stud, Arts (8007) Pre-K-4 Module 3: Math, Science, Health (8008)	Pearson: (www.pa.nesinc.com)
	PK-12 Special Education- Special Education: Foundational Knowledge	5355	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
K-12 (Special Education PK-12, BCIT, Music, and Reading Specialist)	Fundamental Subjects - Content Knowledge (note: The Fundamental Subjects test is only required for candidates seeking their first Pennsylvania certificate)	5511	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Plus the subject concentration test:		
	PK-12 Special Education- Special Education: Foundational Knowledge	5355	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	BCIT	5101	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Music	5113	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
7-12 (Biology, Chemistry, ELA, and Social Studies)	Reading Specialist	5302	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Biology	5236	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Chemistry	5246	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	English Lang., Arts: Content Knowledge	5038	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
School Counselor	Social Studies	5581	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Professional School Counselor	5422	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
Superintendents Ltr of Eligibility	School Superintendent Assessments (SSA)	6991 (Required starting 3/1/2020; 6021 accepted if taken before 9/1/2020)	ETS: https://www.ets.org/sls/register
Supervisor	Educational Leadership: Admin & Supervision	5412 (replaces 5411 effective 3/1/2019)	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
Principal	School Leaders Licensure Assessment	6990 (replaces 6011 effective 3/1/2019)	ETS: https://www.ets.org/sls/register

**PLEASE REVIEW THE IMPORTANT INFORMATION BELOW REGARDING TEST INFORMATION.**

Basic Skills Assessment Requirement: Effective July 1, 2025, the basic skills assessment required under 22 Pa. Code § 49.18 (relating to assessment) will no longer be required for entry into a Pennsylvania baccalaureate teacher preparation program. (24 P.S. § 1207.3). For more information regarding test scores and test codes, please visit <https://www.pa.gov/en/agencies/education/programs-and-services/educators/certification/certification-testing.html>.

(1) If you have your initial certification or are completing pk-grade 4 (PECT Tests), you are not required to take test 5511. (2) Please check the testing websites to see if your test is available to take from home. (3) Many tests allow for a GPA allowance. Please visit <https://www.education.pa.gov/Educators/Certification/CertTestingRequirements/Pages/default.aspx> for more information on GPA allowances allowed in PA.

**ADDING ON BY TESTING ALONE FOR GRADES 5 THROUGH 6 AND GRADES 4 THROUGH 8**

Certification Type:	Test Name:	Test #:	Administered By/Website to Register:
Elementary: Grades 5 through 6	English Lang. Arts and Social Studies Subtest and	5154	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Math and Sciences Subtest	5155	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Note: Adding on Elementary Grades 5–6 is only available to those holding a valid Pennsylvania Grades PK–4 certificate.		
Elementary: Grades 4 through 8	Pennsylvania Gr. 4-8 Core Assessment	5152	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Pedagogy Subtest (Not needed for people with Pre K-Grade 4 Certification)	5153	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	English Lang. Arts and Social Studies Subtest and	5154	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Math and Sciences Subtest	5155	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Plus the subject concentration test:		
	English Lang., Arts	5156	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Social Studies	5157	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Math	5158	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis
	Science	5159	ETS: www.ets.org/praxis

Pennsylvania educators who hold any Instructional certificate may add instructional content areas by testing alone with no additional coursework required. To find more information on what certifications can be added on by testing alone, please visit PDE's site for more information: <https://www.education.pa.gov/Educators/Certification/PAEducators/Pages/Instructional-Add-Ons.aspx>. Add on testing does not allow for a GPA Allowance.

Please contact Leah Bustraan, Certification Officer, at 484-323-3297 or [lbustraan@immaculata.edu](mailto:lbustraan@immaculata.edu) with any questions.