

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Board of Elementary and Secondary Education

Bulletin 746— Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel (Part CXXXI.203)

In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 17:6(A)(10) and the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), R.S. 49:953(B)(1) et seq., the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education has amended LAC 28:CXXXI in Bulletin 746, *Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel*. Current policy does not permit the Louisiana Department of Education (LDE) to consider performance on PRAXIS Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading (5712), Writing (5722), and/or Mathematics (5732) if the tests were taken after July 31, 2020. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, numerous educators registered for those exams prior to the July 31, 2020, phase out date, but were unable to schedule the exam until after July 31, 2020. In response, the proposed revisions to Bulletin 746, *Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel*, extend the effective date of the PRAXIS Core Academic Skills for Educators: 5712, 5722, and 5732 exams to December 31, 2020. This revision would allow the LDE to consider, for purposes of initial certification, performance on the PRAXIS Core Academic Skills for Educators: 5712, 5722, and/or 5732 for those educators who registered for and achieved a passing score by December 31, 2020. This Declaration of Emergency, effective December 16, 2020, is for a period of 120 days from adoption, or until finally adopted as Rule.

Title 28

EDUCATION

Part CXXXI. Bulletin 746—Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel

Subchapter B. Testing Required for Certification Areas

Chapter 2. Initial Teacher Certification

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§203. Certification Exams and Scores

(Formerly §243)

A. A teacher applicant for certification must successfully complete the appropriate written or computer-delivered tests identified in this Section prior to Louisiana teacher certification.

1. Core Academic Skills for Educators². Teacher applicants in all content areas must pass all three Praxis core academic skills tests for educators.

| Pre-Professional Skills Test "Paper or Computer Administrations" | Test # | Score | Effective Date |
|--|-----------|-------|------------------------------|
| PPST:R—Pre-Professional Skills Test: Reading | 0710/5710 | 176 | Effective 7/1/10 to 12/31/13 |
| PPST:W—Pre-Professional Skills Test: Writing | 0720/5720 | 175 | |
| PST:M—Pre-Professional Skills Test: Mathematics | 0730/5730 | 175 | |

| Core Academic Skills for Educators | Test # | Score | Effective Date |
|------------------------------------|--------|-------|--------------------------------|
| Reading | 5712 | 156 | Effective 1/1/14 to 12/31/2020 |
| Writing | 5722 | 162 | |
| Mathematics | 5732 | 150 | |

| Core Academic Skills for Educators | Test # | Score | Effective Date |
|------------------------------------|--------|-------|----------------|
| Reading | 5713 | 156 | Current- |
| Writing | 5723 | 162 | |
| Mathematics | 5733 | 150 | |

¹ NOTE: To differentiate the computer delivered tests, Educational Testing Service has placed the number "5" or "6" preceding the current test code. The department will accept computer delivered passing test scores for licensure.

² NOTE: An ACT composite score of 22 or an SAT combined verbal and math score of 1100 or higher (new SAT) or 1030 or higher (pre-March 2016 SAT) may be used in lieu of PRAXIS 1 PPST exams or core academic skills for educators in reading, writing and math by prospective teachers in Louisiana.

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AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 17:6(A)(10), (11), and (15), 17:7(6), 17:10, 17:22(6), 17:391.1-391.10, and 17:411.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, LR 32:1833 (October 2006), amended LR 36:485 and 488 (March 2010), LR 36:2265 (October 2010), LR 37:551 (February 2011), repromulgated LR 37:556 (February 2011), amended LR 37:3210 (November 2011), LR 39:1461 (June 2013), LR 40:277 (February 2014), LR 40:1680 (September 2014), LR 41:645 (April 2015), LR 41:916 (May 2015), LR 42:233 (February 2016), LR 43:1292 (July 2017), LR 44:264 (February 2018), LR 44:1999 (November 2018), LR 45:228, 230 (February 2019), repromulgated LR 45:403 (March 2019), amended LR 45:1458 (October 2019), LR 46:325 (March 2020), LR 46:557 (April 2020), LR 46:1374 (October 2020), LR 47:

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