

Tests for Certification and Highly Qualified Teacher (HQT) Status

- This chart lists the Delaware Standard Certificates that have a testing requirement. Praxis Tests beginning with the **number 5** are the computer based tests (CBT) of the same paper version.
- If a Secondary Praxis II test is valid for a subject in a Middle Level school, refer to the † notation at the end of the table for testing and certification information.
- Teachers applying for a Delaware certificate who hold current and valid reciprocal teaching credentials from another State Department of Education may not be required to take Delaware’s test for the corresponding Delaware Standard Certificate.
- Teachers who hold a valid Delaware license and a Standard Certificate and then pass a Praxis II test in another subject/field will receive the corresponding Standard Certificate after they apply for it through DEEDS, unless the certification regulation requires other items (i.e. Reading Specialist). Please see DOE licensure and certification regulations here: <http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title14/1500/index.shtml>
- Praxis II test preparation materials (free and priced) are available through the ETS website. The TAAG (Test-at-a-Glance) document has information about the test, sample questions, and annotated correct answers. Go to www.ets.org/praxis/de/requirements and follow the *Prepare for a Test* link at the bottom of the page.

Certificate	Test Number	Test Name	Passing Score	Effective Date	Highly Qualified (HQ) Subject/Field
Agriscience Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5701 NEW TEST	Agriculture	147	9/1/14	HQ not required
Art K-12	5134	Art: Content Knowledge	158	9/1/12	Art
Biology Required 9-12; valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5235	Biology: Content Knowledge	157	9/1/10	Science †

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Business Education Required 9-12; valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5101	Business Education	154	9/1/10	HQ not required
Chemistry Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5245	Chemistry: Content Knowledge	158	2/16/06	Science †
World Language Chinese Mandarin K-12	5665 NEW TEST	Chinese (Mandarin): World Language	164	9/1/14	Chinese (Mandarin)
Early Childhood Birth – Gr 2	5024 NEW TEST	Education of Young Children	160	9/1/14	In order to be determined HQT, Grades K- 2 educators must take Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (Test #5001)
Earth Science Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5571	Earth and Space Sciences: Content Knowledge	150	9/1/12	Science †
Elementary Education K - 6: Multiple Subjects	5001 NEW TEST	Elementary To pass the Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects test you must receive a passing score on each subtest. If you wish to take all four subtests (5002, 5003, 5004, 5005) at the same time, select Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (5001) when registering. If you wish to take or retake an individual subtest, you may register to take just that subtest.	N/A	9/1/14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Elementary Education ▪ Special Education (elementary) ▪ Gifted & Talented (elementary) ▪ Bilingual or ELL/ESL (elementary) An option for secondary Special Education teachers who teach to alternate achievement standards

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English Secondary Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5038	English Language, Literature, and Composition: Content Knowledge	167	9/1/13	English †
English Language Arts Middle Level Required 6-8	5047	Middle School English Language Arts	164	9/1/13	English Language Arts in a Middle Level school
Exceptional Children K-12	5354	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications	151	9/1/10	Need a core content area certificate
Family and Consumer Science Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5122 NEW TEST	Family and Consumer Science	153	9/1/14	HQ not required
French World Language K-12	5174	French: World Language	162	9/1/10	French
German World Language K-12	5183	German: World Language	163	9/1/10	German
Gifted and Talented Students K-12	5358	Gifted Education	157	1/11/15	HQ not required
Health Education K-12	5551	Health Education	162	9/1/13	HQ not required
Health and Physical Education DUAL CERTIFICATION TEST	5857 NEW TEST	Health and Physical Education: Content Area	160	9/1/14	HQ not required †

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Integrated Science Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5435	General Science: Content Knowledge	160	9/1/12	Science †
Latin World Language K-12	5601 NEW TEST	Latin	152	9/1/14	Latin
Marketing Education Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5561 NEW	Marketing Education	166	9/1/14	HQ not required
Mathematics Secondary Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5161	Mathematics: Content Knowledge	160	9/1/13	Mathematics †
Mathematics Middle Level Required 6-8	5169	Middle School Mathematics	165	9/1/13	Mathematics in a Middle Level school
Music K-12	5113	Music: Content Knowledge	155	9/1/12	Music
Physical Education K-12	5091	Physical Education: Content Knowledge	152	9/1/12	HQ not required
Physical Science Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5435 NEW TEST	General Science: Content Knowledge	160	9/1/14	Science †

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Physics Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5265	Physics: Content Knowledge	144	9/1/10	Science †
Reading Specialist K-12 Coursework and three years of successful teaching also required	5301	Reading Specialist	164	9/1/12	HQ not Required
Science Middle Level Required 6-8	5440 NEW TEST	Middle School Science	150	9/01/14	Science in a Middle Level School
Social Studies Secondary Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5081	Social Studies: Content Knowledge	157	3/18/04	Social Studies †
Social Studies Middle Level Required 6-8	5089	Middle School Social Studies	164	2/16/06	Social Studies in a Middle Level school
Spanish World Language K-12	5195	Spanish: World Language	168	9/1/10	Spanish
Technology Education Required 9-12, valid 6-8 in a middle level school	5051	Technology Education	159	9/1/11	HQ not Required

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Theater Required 9-12, valid 5-8 in a middle level school	5641 NEW TEST	Theatre	153	9/1/14	HQ not Required
World Languages K-12 (languages other than Chinese, French, German, Latin, & Spanish)	ACTFL administered by Language Testing International	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview & ACTFL Written Proficiency Test <i>(NOTE: Chinese, French, German, Latin, & Spanish require Praxis II)</i>	Refer to Regulation 1565	8/1/08	The target language tested

† These tests are valid for highly qualified purposes in a Middle Level school, grades 6 - 8. Teachers with Secondary certification (9 -12) may teach their subject in a Middle Level school, grades 6 - 8.

Teachers with secondary certification (9 - 12) in any field of **science** may teach science to students in a middle level school (6 - 8) and will meet the HQT requirement for the field of **science**.

ESEA Core Academic Subjects: The term “core academic subjects” is defined as “English, reading or language arts, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history, and geography.” This includes elementary, and Delaware defines “the arts” as *art* and *music*.

Teachers of Special Education, Bilingual, ESOL, or Gifted and Talented Students:

In Delaware, teachers who teach ESEA core academic subjects to Special Education, Bilingual, English to Second Language Learners (ESOL), or Gifted and Talented students must:

- hold a Standard Certificate in the ESEA academic subjects being taught, and
- demonstrate competence in the ESEA academic subjects being taught, and
- hold a Standard Certificate that corresponds to the *category* of students in the class (i.e. Exceptional Children, Bilingual, ESOL).