**Certification Information**

Resource: Mississippi Department of Education/ Office of Educator Licensure <https://www.mdek12.org/OEL>

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| **ELEMENTARY K-6 / Required Licensure Tests:** Praxis II Tests (TWO TESTS): * Elementary Education (K-6) [Test Code 5017]
* Principles of Learning & Teaching/ PLT K-6 [Test Code 5622]
* Go to <https://www.ets.org/praxis/ms/requirements> to register

Foundations of Reading Exam (ONE TEST):* Foundations of Reading [Test Code 190]
* Go to <http://www.ms.nesinc.com> to register

\*All three tests listed above are required for a standard, renewable license in Elementary Education. |
| **SECONDARY EDUCATION 7-12 / Required Licensure Tests:**Praxis II Tests (TWO Tests):* Principles of Learning & Teaching/ PLT 7-12 [Test Code 5624]
* Take the Praxis II exam **in your degree program area.** The different content area tests are listed below:

*Biology* [Test Code 5236] – new test code effective 9/1/2022*Chemistry* [Test Code 5246] – new test code effective 9/1/2022*English* [Test Code 5038]*Mathematics* [Test Code 5165]*Physics* [Test Code [5266] – new test code effective 9/1/2022*Social Studies* [Test Code 5081]* Go to <https://www.ets.org/praxis/ms/requirements> to register

\*Both the PLT & content area test listed above are required for a standard, renewable license in Secondary Education. |
| **SPECIAL EDUCATION K-12/ Required Licensure Tests:**[Note: UM SPED graduates qualify for Mild/Moderate & Severe/Profound Disabilities]Praxis II Tests (TWO Tests):* Special Education [Test code 5354]
* Principles of Learning & Teaching/ PLT

Select **ONE** of the grade levels only—Grades K-6 [Test Code 5622]; or Grades 4-6 [Test Code 5623]; or Grades 7-12 [Test Code 5624]* Go to <https://www.ets.org/praxis/ms/requirements> to register

Foundations of Reading Exam (ONE TEST):* Foundations of Reading [Test Code 190]
* Go to <http://www.ms.nesinc.com> to register

\*The PLT, SPED content area tests & Foundations of Reading Exam listed above are required for a standard, renewable license in Special Education.Praxis II Test – HIGHLY RECOMMENDED * Special Education Fundamental Subject HQ [Test code 5511]
* Go to <https://www.ets.org/praxis/ms/requirements> to register
* [Note: The Fundamental Subject Test allows SPED teachers to be licensed to teach in a broader range of classroom settings--- self-contained, inclusion, etc. This test is not required to receive an initial license but maximizes your job opportunities]
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| **Health and Physical Education / Required Licensure Tests:** Praxis II Tests (TWO TESTS): * Physical Education (K-6) [Test Code 5091]
* Principles of Learning & Teaching/ PLT

Select **ONE** of the grade levels only—Grades K-6 [Test Code 5622]; or Grades 4-6 [Test Code 5623]; or Grades 7-12 [Test Code 5624]* Go to <https://www.ets.org/praxis/ms/requirements> to register

\*Both the PLT & content area test listed above are required for a standard, renewable license in Healthy and Physical Education. |
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