**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] |
| **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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