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BASIC SKILLS TEST WAIVER CRITERIA

Options for waiver of the Praxis Core Academic Skills Test (Core) requirement are as follows:

Test	Test Date	Minimum Standards for an Academic Skills Assessment Waiver				
		Combined Verbal/Math Score	Verbal/ English Score	Math/ Quantitative Score	Analytic Writing Score	ESLAT/ TOEFL Score
SAT	Prior to March 31, 1995	1000	No less than 400	No less than 400		
	On/After April 1, 1995	1100	No less than 450	No less than 450		
ACT	Prior to October 1989		20	17		
	On/After October 1989		22	19		
GRE	Prior to October 1, 2002	1000	450	500		
	On/After October 1, 2002	1000	450	500	4.5	
	On/After August 1, 2011	**297**	**150**	**144**	**4.5**	
PAA		Equivalent to 1000 (see conversion table)	No less than 400	No less than 400		510

Notes: Official SAT, ACT, GRE and PAA scores are those scores sent directly from the respective testing company.

If you have taken the SAT/ACT/GRE on more than one occasion, your highest verbal score and your highest mathematics scores will be combined.

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Applying for the Basic Skills Test Waiver:

1. Create an account on the Connecticut Educator Certification System (CECS). If you have not yet created an online account, go to www.ct.gov/sde/cert and click on the red CECS box near the top right of the page.
2. Apply for the waiver online.
3. Submit official score report by US mail to our office at the address below.

The paper application (ED 192) is still available for printing at www.ct.gov/sde/certapps for those who cannot access the online system only.

Reporting GRE Scores:

The Educational Testing Service (ETS) retains individual GRE test records for a period of five years. If you have taken the GRE within the past five years, please contact ETS online at www.gre.org or call 888-473-7267 to order an official score report. Applicants themselves must then forward the original score report in the sealed envelope to our office at:

CT State Department of Education
Bureau of Educator Standards and Certification
PO Box 150471, Room 243
Hartford, CT 06115-0471

Candidates who took the GRE more than five years ago must submit either an official transcript showing their GRE scores or their original GRE score report. Photocopies cannot be accepted.

Reporting SAT, ACT and PAA Scores:

Information on reporting SAT, ACT and PAA scores to the Connecticut State Department of Education for the purposes of Basic Skills Test waiver can be found on the ED 192 Application at www.ct.gov/sde/certapps.