

Testing Requirements for a Minnesota Teaching License

Note: Save your own score reports!!!

Registration Tips: Select BSU as your score reporting location; Enter “no” for portfolio; Must wait 40 days to retake tests; Official scores are released once a month and score report dates are available here: https://www.mtle.nesinc.com/PopUp.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/MNCBTRB_ScoreReportDates.html

Basic Skills: This requirement may be met in several ways:

- ****MTLE NES Essential Academic Skills: Reading, Writing, and Mathematics**** <https://www.mtle.nesinc.com/> – or –
- ACT Composite with Writing score ≥ 22 **and** ACT ELA (English Language Arts) score ≥ 21 (ELA may also be listed as “Combined English/Writing”) <http://www.actstudent.org/scores/viewing-scores.html> Can combine more than one ACT tests if one score report has the correct composite score and the other score report has the correct ELA/ combined Writing. Download a copy of your ACT Score report and send to Aspen Easterling: Aspen.Easterling@bemidjistate.edu or drop off in Bensen Hall 342 – or –
- SAT 1600 (New Version) Taken March 1, 2016 to present = Reading + Writing: 550 and Math: 570 – or – SAT 2400 (Old Version) Taken March 12, 2005 – February 28, 2016 = Reading: 510, Writing: 510, and Math: 520
- GRE Taken 2001 to August 11, 2011 Verbal Reasoning: 450, Analytical Writing: 3, and Quantitative Reasoning: 540 – or – Taken after August 11, 2011 Verbal Reasoning: 150, Analytical Writing: 3, and Quantitative Reasoning: 145

****If you have not met the Basic Skills requirement through the ACE, SAT, or GRE – you should take the NES Reading, Writing and Math tests**

MTLE Pedagogy Exams (all subtests); Choose one pedagogy exam (2 Subtests) according to the chart listed below.

MTLE Content tests (all subtests); Select the appropriate Content exam aligned with your teaching program(s) listed below (some students may have multiple content exams).

Licensure	Basic Skills	MTLE Content Exams	MTLE Pedagogy Exams
Communication Arts & Literature (5-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Communication Arts & Literature (all subtests)	Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests)
Elementary Education (K-6)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Elementary Education (all subtests)	Elementary Pedagogy (all subtests)
Middle Level Communication Arts & Literature (5-8)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Middle Level Comm., Arts, & Literature (all subtests)	None – met through initial license
Middle Level Mathematics (5-8)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Middle Level Mathematics (all subtests)	None – met through initial license
Middle Level Science (5-8)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Middle Level Science (all subtests)	None – met through initial license
Middle Level Social Studies (5-8)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Middle Level Social Studies (all subtests)	None – met through initial license
Pre-Primary (Age 3 – PreK)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Pre-Primary (all subtests)	None – met through initial license

Teaching Program	Basic Skills	MTLE Content Exams	MTLE Pedagogy Exams
Health Education (5-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Health Education (all subtests)	Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests)
Mathematics Education (5-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Mathematics (all subtests)	Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests)
Music Education – Instrumental and Classroom Music (K-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Instrumental Classroom Music (all subtests)	Choose ONE: Elementary Pedagogy or Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests for one set, either Elementary or Secondary)
Music Education – Vocal and Classroom Music (K-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Vocal Classroom Music (all subtests)	Choose ONE: Elementary Pedagogy or Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests for one set, either Elementary or Secondary)
Physical Education (K-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Physical Education (all subtests)	Choose ONE: Elementary Pedagogy or Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests for one set, either Elementary or Secondary)
DAPE (PreK-12) <i>Optional add-on to PHED</i>	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Special Education Core Skills (all subtests)	None – met through initial license
Science: Chemistry (9-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Chemistry (all subtests)	Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests)
Science: Earth & Space (9-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Earth & Space Science & Middle Level Science (all subtests)	Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests)
Science: Life Science (9-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Life Science (all subtests)	Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests)
Science: Physics (9-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Chemistry (all subtests), and Physics (all subtests)	Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests)
Social Studies Education (5-12)	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Social Studies (all subtests)	Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests)
Special Education: ASD, EBD, SLD	MTLE-NES, ACT + Writ., SAT, or GRE	Special Education Core Skills (all subtests)	Choose ONE: Elementary Pedagogy or Secondary Pedagogy (all subtests for one set, either Elementary or Secondary) *If you are already licensed you do <u>not</u> need to take the Pedagogy tests