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MEMORANDUM

TO: Deborah Riddle, Division Operations Manager

Department of Education and Early Development

FROM: April Simpson, Alaska Administrative Code Coordinator

Office of the Lieutenant Governor

DATE: August 6, 2025

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Education and Early Development

Department of Education and Early Development regulations re: Content Area

Examinations (Teacher Certification) (4 AAC 12.407)

Attorney General File: 2024200405

Regulation Filed: 8/6/2025

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August 5, 2025

The Honorable Nancy Dahlstrom Lieutenant Governor State of Alaska P.O. Box 110015 Juneau, AK 99811-0015

Re: 4 AAC 12.407: DEED - Content Area Examinations (Teacher Certification)

Our file: 2024200405

Dear Lieutenant Governor Dahlstrom:

The Department of Law has reviewed the attached regulations of the State Board of Education and Early Development against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. Based upon our review, we find no legal problems. This letter constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations. The regulations were adopted by the State Board of Education and Early Development after the close of the public comment period.

The regulations concern content area proficiency determinations for teacher certification, including flexible proficiency determinations and test score alternatives offered through the Pearson company.

The February 5, 2025 public notice and the July 30, 2025 certification of adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.060 is not required.

We have made some technical corrections to conform the regulations in accordance with AS 44.62.060. The corrections are incorporated into the attached copy of the regulations.

Sincerely,

TREG TAYLOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

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ORDER CERTIFYING THE CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

The attached 11 pages of regulations, dealing with Teacher Certification Content Area Examinations, are certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the State Board of Education and Early Development adopted at its March 11, 2025, meeting, under the authority of AS 14.07.020, 14.07.060, 14.20.010, and 14.20.020 and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Although no public comments were received, the State Board of Education and Early Development paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes described in this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Date:	Bocusigned by: Liven & Morrison EBB701A75319458 Karen Morrison, Deputy Commissioner
N	FILING CERTIFICATION Pahlstrom. Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on 1.
the provisi	ons of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.
	for Lieutenant Governor Naney Daylston
Effective:	Geotember 5, 2025.
Register:	September 5, 2025. 255, October 2025

FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, NANCY DAHLSTROM, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on May 15th, 2023.

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NANCY DAHLSTROM LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

4 AAC 12.393(a)(2)(B) is amended to read:

- (B) achieved or exceeded the required score under 4 AAC 12.407(a) for(i) [THE ETS PRAXIS II TEACHING READINGEXAMINATION, TEST CODE 5204;
- (ii)] the ETS Praxis II Teaching Reading: Elementary examination, test code 5205;
- (ii) [(iii)] the ETS Praxis II Teaching Reading: Elementary examination, test code 5206; or
- (iii) [(iv)] the Pearson <u>Foundations</u> [FOUNDATION] of Reading examination <u>or the Pearson Foundations of Reading FLEX</u>, as provided in <u>4 AAC 12.407</u>.
- 4 AAC 12.393(b)(3)(B) is amended to read:
 - (B) achieved or exceeded the required score under 4 AAC 12.407(a) for
 - (i) [THE ETS PRAXIS II TEACHING READING EXAMINATION, TEST CODE 5204;
 - (ii)] the **ETS** [ETA] Praxis II Teaching Reading: Elementary examination, test code 5205;
 - (ii) [(iii)] the **ETS** [ET A] Praxis III Teaching Reading: Elementary examination, test code 5206; or
 - (iii) [(iv)] the Pearson <u>Foundations</u> [FOUNDATION] of Reading examination <u>or the Pearson Foundations of Reading FLEX</u>, as set out under <u>4 AAC 12.407</u>.

(Eff. 7/1/2023, Register 247; am 4 / 5 / 2025, Register 255)

Authority: AS 14.07.020 AS 14.20.020 AS 14.30.770

AS 14.07.060 AS 14.30.765 AS 14.30.780

AS 14.20.015

4 AAC 12.396(a)(5)(A) is amended to read:

(A) the Praxis II content area examinations in elementary education required under <u>4 AAC 12.407(a)(1)(B)</u> [4 AAC 12.407(a)(2)] and examinations <u>5205</u> [5203] or <u>5206</u> [5204] in teaching reading under <u>4 AAC 12.407(a)(1)(A)</u> [4 AAC 12.407(a)(1)]; or

(Eff. 4/24/2016, Register 218; am 10/26/2022, Register 244; am 9 / 5 /2025, Register 255)

Authority: AS 14.07.060 AS 14.20.020

4 AAC 12.407(a) is amended to read:

(a) A teacher may satisfy the content area testing requirements of 4 AAC 12.305(a), (b), and (c), 4 AAC 12.393, and 4 AAC 12.395 by one of the following options:

(1) achieving the required score or higher on one of the following:

(A) [(1)] a Praxis II examination described in the following table:

Praxis II Examination	Required
	Score
Early Childhood Education - 5025	156
[ELEMENTARY EDUCATION CONTENT KNOWLEDGE - 5014 OR 0014]	[143]
[ELEMENTARY EDUCATION: CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND ASSESSMENT - 5011 OR 0011]	[156]

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Elementary Education: Content Knowledge for Teaching - 7811	under (E) of this paragraph
English Language Arts: Content Knowledge - 5038	167 See subtests
Elementary Education: Math Specialist - 5037	<u>153</u>
Teaching Reading: <u>K - 12</u> [ELEMENTARY] - 5206	156
Teaching Reading: Elementary - 5205	159
[TEACHING READING – 5204]	[159]
[TEACHING READING: ELEMENTARY EDUCATION – 5203]	[162]
[SPECIAL EDUCATION: PRESCHOOL/EARLY CHILDHOOD – 5691]	[159]
Special Education: Early Childhood/Early Intervention - 5692	<u>159</u>
[SPECIAL EDUCATION: CORE KNOWLEDGE AND APPLICATIONS – 5354]	[151]
English to Speakers of Other Languages - 5362	155
Elementary Education: Content Knowledge - 5018	163
Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment - 5017	153
[MULTIPLE SUBJECT ASSESSMENTS FOR TEACHERS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE – 0140]	[146]

(B) [(2)] the Praxis II examination in Elementary Education: Multiple

Subjects - 5001 with the required scores or higher on each of the subtests described in the following table:

Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects Subtests	Required
	Scores

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Elementary Education: Reading and Language Arts Subtest - 5002	157
Elementary Education: Mathematics Subtest - 5003	157
Elementary Education: Social Studies Subtest - 5004	155
Elementary Education: Science Subtest - 5005	159

(C) the Praxis II examination in Elementary Education Assessment 5006 with the required scores or higher on each of the subtests described in the following table:

Elementary Education Assessment - 5006 Subtests	Required Scores
Elementary Education: Reading and Language Arts and Social Studies Subtest 5007	<u>160</u>
Elementary Education: Mathematics and Science Subtest 5008	<u>158</u>

(D) the Praxis II examination in Early Childhood Assessment - 5026 with the required scores or higher on each of the subtests described in the following table:

Early Childhood Assessment - 5026 Subtests	Required Scores
Early Childhood: Reading and Language Arts & Social Studies - 5027	161
Early Childhood: Mathematics and Science - 5028	160

(E) the Praxis II examination in Elementary Education: Content Knowledge for Teaching - 7811 with the required scores or higher on each of the subtests described in the following table:

Elementary Education: Content Knowledge for Teaching (CKT) - 7811	Required
	Scores

Elementary Education: Reading and Language Arts CKT - 7812	<u>161</u>
Elementary Education: Mathematics CKT - 7813	<u>150</u>
Elementary Education: Science CKT - 7814	<u>154</u>
Elementary Education: Social Studies CKT - 7815	<u>159</u>

(2) completing one of the following methods for verifying content area proficiency offered through Pearson:

(A) achieving the required score or higher on one or more of the

Pearson examinations described in the following table; or

(B) submitting evidence through the Pearson ePortfolio system that, at

Pearson's determination, sufficiently demonstrates proficiency in one or more

subject areas and achieving the FLEX qualification score on the corresponding

Pearson examination described in the following table:

Pearson Examination	Test Code	Required Score	FLEX Examination	FLEX Test Code	FLEX Qualifying Score
Elementary Education Subtest I	110	220	Series FLEX Elementary Education Subtest I	902	<u>205 - 219</u>
Elementary Education Subtest II	111	220	Series FLEX Elementary Education Subtest II	903	205 - 219
English Language Arts	<u>319</u>	220	Series FLEX English Language Arts	302	210 - 219
English Learners I	<u>511</u>	220	Series FLEX English Learners I	<u>511</u>	208 - 219

Foundations of Reading	890	240	Series FLEX Foundations of Reading	900 (objective 10) 901 (objective 11)	231 - 239
Mathematics	326	220	Series FLEX Mathematics	304	212
Middle Grades English Language Arts	206	220	Series FLEX Middle Grades English Language Arts	206	210
Middle Grades General Science	<u>205</u>	220	Series FLEX Middle Grades General Science	205	220
Social Science	325	220	Series FLEX Social Science	<u>325</u>	220
Spanish	<u>401</u>	220	Series FLEX Spanish	220	205 - 219

[(3) THE PEARSON FOUNDATION OF READING CONTENT EXAMINATION WITH A REQUIRED SCORE OF 240.]

4 AAC 12.407(c) is amended to read:

(c) A teacher may satisfy the content area testing requirements of 4 AAC 04.210(d)(6), 4 AAC 12.305(a), (b), and (c), 4 AAC 12.395, and 4 AAC 12.396 by achieving the required score or higher on a Praxis II examination for one or more of the areas described in the following table:

Praxis II Examination	Required
	Score
Middle School: Content Knowledge - 5146	140

[MIDDLE SCHOOL ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS - 5049 OR 0049]	[154]
Middle School English Language Arts - 5047	164
[MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS - 0069]	[145]
Middle School Mathematics - 5164	<u>157</u>
[MIDDLE SCHOOL MATHEMATICS – 5169]	[165]
[MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE – 0439]	[136]
Middle School Science - 5442	<u>152</u>
[MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE – 5440]	[150]
Middle School Social Studies - 5089 or 0089	149

4 AAC 12.407(d) is amended to read:

(d) A teacher may satisfy the content area testing requirements of 4 AAC 04.210(d)(6) and (7), 4 AAC 12.305(a), (b), and (c), 4 AAC 12.395, and 4 AAC 12.396 by achieving the required score or higher on a Praxis II examination for one or more of the subject or endorsement areas described in the following table:

Praxis II Examination	Required Score
Agriculture - 5701	147
Algebra - 5162	157
[ART CONTENT KNOWLEDGE – 0133]	[155]
Art Content Knowledge - 5134 or 0134	158
<u>Biology - 5236</u>	<u>154</u>
[BIOLOGY CONTENT KNOWLEDGE - 5235 OR 0235]	[144]

Chemistry - 5246	146
[CHEMISTRY CONTENT KNOWLEDGE - 5245 OR 0245]	[139]
[CHINESE (MANDARIN): WORLD LANGUAGE – 5665]	[164]
Computer Science - 5652	149
[COMPUTER SCIENCE – 5651]	[171]
Earth and Space Sciences - 5572	<u>154</u>
[EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE CONTENT KNOWLEDGE - 5571 OR 0571]	[144]
[ECONOMICS – 0910]	[460]
Economics - 5911 or 0911	150
[ENGLISH LANGUAGE, LITERATURE, AND COMPOSITION: CONTENT KNOWLEDGE - 5041 OR 0041]	[158]
English: Content Knowledge - 5038	167
English Language Arts: Content and Analysis - 5039	168
[ENGLISH LANGUAGE, LITERATURE, AND COMPOSITION: CONTENT AND ANALYSIS - 5044 OR 0044]	[166]
[FRENCH CONTENT KNOWLEDGE – 0173]	[160]
French World Language - 5174	162
[GENERAL SCIENCE: CONTENT KNOWLEDGE - 5435 OR 0435]	[146]
[GENERAL SCIENCE: CONTENT KNOWLEDGE, PART 1 - 0431 AND	[PART 1:
PART 2 – 0432]	146
	PART 2:
	144]
General Science	141
[GEOGRAPHY – 0920]	[590]

Geography- 5921 or 0921	149
Geometry - 5163	148
[GERMAN CONTENT KNOWLEDGE – 0181]	[158]
German World Language - 5183	163
[GOVERNMENT/POLITICAL SCIENCE – 0930]	[610]
Government/Political Science - 5931 or 0931	149
Japanese World Language - 5661	<u>156</u>
Journalism - 5224	<u>153</u>
[JOURNALISM – 5223]	[150]
[MATHEMATICS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE - 5061 OR 0061]	[121]
Mathematics - 5165	159
[MATHEMATICS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE – 5161]	[160]
Music: Content and Instruction - 5114	162
Musical Content Knowledge - 5113 or 0113	154
Physical Education: Content and Design - 5095	169
Physical Science - 5485	157
[PHYSICAL SCIENCE CONTENT KNOWLEDGE – 0481]	[145]
<u>Physics - 5266</u>	145
[PHYSICS CONTENT KNOWLEDGE - 5265 OR 0265]	[127]
Psychology - 5391	154
[PSYCHOLOGY – 5931]	[154]
Russian World Language - 5671	130
Social Studies: Content and Interpretation - 5086	153

Social Studies Content Knowledge - 5081 or 0081	152
Sociology -5952	154
[SPANISH CONTENT KNOWLEDGE – 0191]	[152]
Spanish World Language - 5195	168
[SPEECH COMMUNICATION – 0220]	[560]
Speech Communication - 5221 or 0221	146
[THEATRE – 0640]	[560]
Theatre - 5641 or 0641	127
[WORLD AND U.S. HISTORY- 0940]	[440]
World and U.S. History - 5941 or 0941	141

4 AAC 12.407(f) is amended to read:

(f) A teacher may satisfy the content area testing requirements of 4 AAC 12.305(a), (b), and (c), 4 AAC 12.395, and 4 AAC 12.396 by achieving the required score or higher on a Praxis II examination described in the following table:

Praxis II examination	Required score
[BUSINESS EDUCATION – 0100]	[620]
Business education - 5101 or 0101	154
[FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE – 0120]	[610]
[FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE -5121 OR 0121]	[164]
Family and consumer science - 5122	153
Fundamental subjects: content knowledge - 5511	150

Health education - 5551 or 0551	155
[HEALTH EDUCATION - 5550 OR 0550]	[670]
[HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION - 5856 OR 0856]	[152]
Health and physical education: content knowledge [KNOWLEDGE] - 5857	160
Physical education - 5091 or 0091	146
[SOCIAL SCIENCES: CONTENT KNOWLEDGE – 0951]	[161]
[TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION – 0050]	[630]
Technology education - 0051 or 5051	159
[VOCATIONAL GENERAL KNOWLEDGE – 0890]	[640]

(Eff. 4/24/2016, Register 218; am 6/1/2018, Register 226; am 7/1/2023, Register 247; am

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Authority: AS 14.07.020 AS 14.20.010 AS 14.20.022

AS 14.07.060 AS 14.20.020 AS 14.50.080

(((Publisher: In 4 AAC 12.407(a)(1)(C) - (E) and (2), please retain boldface, but not underlining, in the heading (top) row of each new table.)))