

STATE BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION

Summary of Comparable Out-Of-State Assessments

In 2001, the 77th Texas Legislature passed House Bill 1721, which allows the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) to issue a Texas teaching certificate to any candidate who holds a certificate in another state or country and who has passed (a) certification exam(s) "similar to and at least as rigorous as" the corresponding Texas certification exam(s).

In order to implement HB 1721, SBEC has identified states that have potentially comparable certification exams, designed and initiated a multi-phase test comparability study to determine the extent to which other states' certification exams are "similar to and at least as rigorous as" the corresponding Texas exams, and set passing standards for tests which have thus far been found to be comparable to corresponding Texas exams.

The table which follows contains tests which have been found to be "similar to and at least as rigorous as" Texas certification examinations. Individuals who are certified outside of the state of Texas who have met the comparable Texas passing standard, **during the appropriate time frame**, may obtain procedures for applying for Texas teacher certification on the SBEC web site. Additional information is provided concerning the use of National Board for Professional Teaching Standards assessments as well as assessments which have been identified as NOT "similar to and at least as rigorous as" the corresponding Texas certification exam(s).

Additionally, there are exams which were found to be "similar to and at least as rigorous as" Texas Certification exams administered under the ExCET testing program. Texas is currently transitioning from the ExCET testing program to the standards based TExES testing program. As ExCET tests are discontinued, the corresponding certificates will no longer be issued, therefore, some previously comparable assessments may no longer be accepted.

Test #	Assessment Name	Date Test and Passing Standard Implemented and Discontinued	Comparable ExCET/TEXES Exam(s)	Comparable Texas Passing Standard
ARIZONA				
01	Elementary Education	Oct 2003-present	100 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-4 TExES	252
02	English	May 2001-present	131 English Language Arts and Reading 8-12 TExES	261
03	Social Studies	May 2001-present	132 Social Studies 8-12 TExES	265
05	History	May 2001-present	133 History 8-12 TExES	255
07	Biology	May 2001-present	138 Life Science 8-12 TExES	257
12	Library/Educational Media	May 2001-present	150 School Librarian TExES	262
13	Art	May 2001-present	005 Art (All-Level) ExCET OR 006 Art (Secondary) ExCET	268
14	Music	May 2001-present	007 Music (All-Level) ExCET OR 008 Music (Secondary) ExCET	258
15	Spanish ¹	May 2001-present	047 Spanish ExCET	268
22	Special Education-Cross Category	Nov 2002-present	011 Generic Special Education ExCET	268
22	Special Education-Cross Category	May 2001-Sep 2002	011 Generic Special Education ExCET	267
32	Special Education-Visual Impairment	Nov 2002-present	036 Visually Impaired ExCET	262
80	Superintendent	Sep 2001-present	064 Superintendent TExES	274
91	Professional Knowledge-Elementary	Oct 2003-present	100 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-4 TExES	250
92	Professional Knowledge-Secondary	Oct 2003-present	130 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 8-12 TExES	242
1. The Spanish Texas Oral Proficiency Test (TOPT) is required for Texas certification				

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COLORADO				
01	Elementary Education	Oct 2003-present	101 Generalist EC-4 TExES	214
04	Mathematics	Jan 2000-present	135 Mathematics 8-12 TExES	239
04	Mathematics	Oct 2003-present	135 Mathematics 8-12 TExES	237
05	Science	Oct 2001- Aug 2003	136 Science 8-12 TExES	216
05	Science	Oct 2003-present	136 Science 8-12 TExES	223
06	Social Studies	Oct 2001-Aug 2003	132 Social Studies 8-12 TExES	236
06	Social Studies	Oct 2003-present	132 Social Studies 8-12 TExES	249
07	English	Oct 1999-Aug 2003	131 English Language Arts and Reading 8-12 TExES	214
07	English	Oct 2003-present	131 English Language Arts and Reading 8-12 TExES	230
09	Spanish ²	Oct 2002-present	047 Spanish ExCET	249
16	Bilingual Education	Oct 1996-Aug 2003	112 Bilingual Education Supplemental 4-8 TExES	196
17	English as a Second Language	Oct 2001-Aug 2003	012 English as a Second Language ExCET	243
17	English as a Second Language	Oct 2003-present	012 English as a Second Language ExCET	242
20	Special Education-Moderate Needs	Oct 1994-Aug 2003	011 Generic Special Education ExCET	241
28	Art	Oct 1994-Aug 2003	005 Art (All-Level) ExCET OR 006 Art (Secondary) ExCET	240
28	Art	Oct 2003-present	005 Art (All-Level) ExCET OR 006 Art (Secondary) ExCET	234
29	Music	Oct 1994-May 2003	007 Music (All-Level) ExCET OR 008 Music (Secondary) ExCET	220
29	Music	Sep 2003-present	007 Music (All-Level) ExCET OR 008 Music (Secondary) ExCET	220
41	School Counselor	Oct 2001-May 2003	152 School Counselor TExES	225
41	School Counselor	Sep 2003-present	152 School Counselor TExES	228
48	Superintendent	Oct 1999-Fall 2005	064 Superintendent TExES	282
80	Principal	Oct 1999-Aug 2003	068 Principal TExES	247
80	Principal	Oct 2003-present	068 Principal TExES	253
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MICHIGAN				
48	Library Media	Oct 1999-Jul 2002	150 School Librarian TEXES	230
48	Library Media	Oct 2002-present	150 School Librarian TEXES	220
61	Visually Impaired	Oct 1992-present	036 Visually Impaired ExCET	233
63	Learning Disabilities	Oct 1997-present	161 Special Education Supplemental TEXES OR 163 Special Education EC-12 TEXES	235
85	Middle Level	Oct 1999-Jul 2003	110 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 4-8 TEXES	220
85	Middle Level	Oct 2003-present	110 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 4-8 TEXES	220
86	English as a Second Language	Oct 2000-present	012 English as a Second Language ExCET	252
NEW MEXICO				
03	Assessment of Teacher Competence-Elementary	Oct 2003-present	100 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-4 TEXES	234
04	Assessment of Teacher Competence-Secondary	Oct 2003-present	130 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 8-12 TEXES	233
04	Assessment of Teacher Competency-Secondary	May 1999-present	110 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 4-8 TEXES	249
11	Elementary Education	Feb 2002-present	101 Generalist EC-4 TEXES	254
15	Science	Feb 2002-present	136 Science 8-12 TEXES	253
16	Social Studies	Feb 2002-present	132 Social Studies 8-12 TEXES	258

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OKLAHOMA				
01 03	Music (Instrumental/General Music) ³ Music (Vocal/General Music) ³	Oct 1999-present	007 Music (All-Level) ExCET OR 008 Music (Secondary) ExCET	252 261
06	Elementary Education	Oct 2003-present	101 Generalist EC-4 TExES	260
11	Advanced Mathematics	Sep 2001-present	135 Mathematics 8-12 TExES	257
13	Physical Science	Oct 1999-present	137 Physical Science 8-12 TExES	266
17 18	US History/Economics ⁴ World History/Geography ⁴	Sep 2001-present	132 Social Studies 8-12 TExES	266 263
19	Spanish ⁵	Oct 1999-present	047 Spanish ExCET	272
24	Middle Level English	Oct 1999-present	117 English Language Arts and Reading 4-8 TExES	242
28	Blind/Visually Impaired	Oct 1999-present	036 Visually Impaired ExCET	264
29	Special Education-Mild-Moderate	Oct 1999-present	011 Generic Special Education ExCET	250
38	Library – Media Specialist	Oct 1999-present	150 School Librarian TExES	258
39	School Counselor	Oct 1999-present	152 School Counselor TExES	258
44	Principal-Common Core ⁶	Oct 1999-present	068 Principal TExES	264
45	Principal-Elementary ⁶	Oct 1999-present	068 Principal TExES	271
46	Principal-Middle ⁶	Oct 1999-present	068 Principal TExES	257
47	Principal-Secondary ⁶	Oct 1999-present	068 Principal TExES	262
48	Superintendent	Oct 1999-Fall 2005	064 Superintendent TExES	282
71	Professional Teacher Examination-Elementary	Oct 2003-present	100 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-4 TExES	231
72	Professional Teacher Examination-Middle/Secondary	Oct 2003-present	130 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 8-12 TExES	255
75	Professional Teacher Examination PK-8	Oct 2003-present	100 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-4 TExES	233
76	Professional Teacher Examination 6-12	Oct 2003-present	130 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 8-12 TExES	240
<p>3. Both Oklahoma Music assessments are required to be "similar to" and "as rigorous as" the Texas assessment</p> <p>4. Passing scores on both 17 and 18 are required in lieu of the 132 Social Studies TExES</p> <p>5. The Spanish Texas Oral Proficiency Test (TOPT) is required for Texas certification</p> <p>6. Principals from Oklahoma must achieve the comparable Texas passing standard on the Common Core test (44) and on one of the level-specific tests (45, 46, or 47).</p>				

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PRAXIS II AND OTHER ETS ADMINISTERED EXAMS				
0350	Special Education	Jan 1990-Sep 2004	161 Special Education Supplemental TExES OR 163 Special Education EC-12 TExES	560
10011	Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment ⁷	Jan 2002-present	101 Generalist EC-4 TExES	165
10016	Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment K-5	Jul 1997-present	101 Generalist EC-4 TExES	145
10060	Mathematics	May 1993-Jun 2003	135 Mathematics 8-12 TExES	550
10113	Music: Content Knowledge ⁸	Nov 1995-present	007 Music (All-Level) ExCET OR	160
30111	Music: Concepts and Processes ⁸	Jan 1993-present	008 Music (Secondary) ExCET	150
10133	Art: Content Knowledge ⁹	Nov 1995-present	005 Art (All-Level) ExCET OR 006 Art (Secondary) ExCET	161
10191	Spanish: Content Knowledge ¹⁰	Nov 1995-present	047 Spanish ExCET	167
10310	Library Media Specialist	Jan 1990-present	150 School Librarian TExES	620
10352	Special Education: Application of Core Principles Across Categories of Disabilities	Nov 1995-present	161 Special Education Supplemental TExES OR 163 Special Education EC-12 TExES	146
10435	General Science: Content Knowledge	Sep 2001-present	136 Science 8-12 TExES	154
10439	Middle School Science	Oct 1998-present	116 Science 4-8 TExES	151
10600	Latin	Jan 1989-present	050 Latin ExCET	630
10640	Theatre	Jan 1992-present	043 Theatre Arts ExCET	610
20235	Biology: Content Knowledge	Sep 2001-present	138 Life Science 8-12 TExES	153
20353	Education of Exceptional Students: Core Content Knowledge	Sep 2001-present	161 Special Education Supplemental TExES OR 163 Special Education EC-12 TExES	156
20420	School Guidance and Counseling	Jan 1991-present	152 School Counselor TExES	620
30523	Principles of Learning & Teaching, Grades 5-9	Sep 2002-present	110 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 4-8 TExES	165
	School Leaders Licensure Assessment	Jan 1997-present	068 Principal TExES	164
	Ontario Teacher Qualifying Test: Primary/Junior	Jan 1999-present	100 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-4 TExES	355
	Ontario Teacher Qualifying Test: Junior/Intermediate	Jan 1999-present	110 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 4-8 TExES	355
	Ontario Teacher Qualifying Test: Intermediate/Senior	Jan 1999-present	130 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 8-12 TExES	355
<p>7. North Carolina requires a combined score of 313 with Elementary Education: Content Exercises</p> <p>8. Requires a minimum combined score of 310 from both 10113 Music: Content Knowledge (minimum score of 160) and 30111 Music: Concepts and Processes (minimum score 150)</p> <p>9. North Carolina requires a combined score of 322 for tests 20131 Art Making and 20133 Art: Content Knowledge</p> <p>10. North Carolina requires a combined score of 327 for tests 10191 Spanish: Content Knowledge and 20192 Spanish: Productive Language Skills. The Spanish Texas Oral Proficiency Test (TOPT) is also required for Texas certification</p>				

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NATIONAL BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS EXAMS				
NBPTS	Any National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Assessment at the appropriate level	Sep 1994-present	100 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC-4 TExES, 110 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 4-8 TExES, 130 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities 8-12 TExES, OR 170 PPR for Trades and Industrial Education 8-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Childhood Generalist	Sep 1995-present	101 Generalist EC – 4 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early and Middle Childhood Art	Sep 2000-present	005 Art (All-Level) ExCET OR 006 Art (Secondary) ExCET	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood Art	Sep 1996-present	005 Art (All-Level) ExCET OR 006 Art (Secondary) ExCET	275
NBPTS	Early through Middle Childhood Music	Sep 2001-present	007 Music (All-Level) ExCET OR 008 Music (Secondary) ExCET	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood Music	Sep 2001-present	007 Music (All-Level) ExCET OR 008 Music (Secondary) ExCET	275
NBPTS	Early through Middle Childhood Physical Education	Sep 2000-present	009 Physical Education (All-Level) ExCET OR 010 Physical Education (Secondary) ExCET	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood Physical Education	Sep 2000-present	009 Physical Education (All-Level) ExCET OR 010 Physical Education (Secondary) ExCET	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood Exceptional Needs	Sep 1999-present	011 Generic Special Education ExCET, 161 Special Education Supplemental TExES OR 163 Special Education EC-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood English as a New Language	Sep 1998-present	012 English as a Second Language ExCET OR 154 English as a Second Language TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Childhood through Middle Childhood English as a New Language	Sep 1999-present	012 English as a Second Language ExCET OR 154 English as a Second Language TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood Health	Currently under development; standards set Jun 2002	029 Health Education ExCET OR 157 Health EC-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early and Middle Childhood World Languages Other than English ¹¹	Sep 2001-present	047 Spanish ExCET	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence, Adolescence and Young Adulthood World Languages Other than English ¹¹	Sep 2001-present	047 Spanish ExCET	275
NBPTS	Early and Middle Childhood World Languages Other than English ¹²	Sep 2001-present	048 French ExCET	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence, Adolescence and Young Adulthood World Languages Other than English ¹²	Sep 2001-present	048 French ExCET	275
NBPTS	Early and Middle Childhood World Languages Other than English	Sep 2001-present	049 German ExCET	275
NBPTS	Middle Childhood Generalist	Sep 1995-present	111 Generalist 4-8 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence Generalist	Sep 1995-present	111 Generalist 4-8 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence Mathematics	Sep 1998-present	115 Mathematics 4-8 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early and Middle Childhood/Literacy: Reading-Language Arts	Oct 2002-present	117 English Language Arts and Reading 4-8 TExES	275

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NBPTS	Early Adolescence English Language Arts	Sep 1994-present	117 English Language Arts and Reading 4-8 TExES	275
NBPTS	Adolescence and Young Adulthood Social Studies-History	Sep 1998-present	118 Social Studies 4-8 TExES	275
NBPTS	Adolescence and Young Adulthood English Language Arts	Sep 1998-present	131 English Language Arts and Reading 8-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence Social Studies-History	Sep 1998-present	132 Social Studies 8-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Adolescence and Young Adulthood Mathematics	Sep 1996-present	135 Mathematics 8-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence Science	Sep 1998-present	136 Science 8-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Adolescence and Young Adulthood Science	Sep 1997-present	136 Science 8-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Childhood through Young Adulthood Library Media	Sep 2001-present	150 School Librarian TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Childhood through Young Adulthood Counseling	Oct 2002-present	152 School Counselor TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood/Career and Technical Education/Agriculture and Environmental Sciences ¹³	Sep 1997-present	172 Agricultural Science and Technology 6-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood/Career and Technical Education/Arts and Communications ¹³	Sep 1997-present	170 PPR for Trades and Industrial Education 8-12 TExES, 171 Technology Education 6-12 TExES, OR 156 Journalism 8-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood/Career and Technical Education/Business, Marketing, Information Management, and Entrepreneurship ¹³	Sep 1997-present	176 Business Education 6-12 TExES OR 175 Marketing Education 8-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood/Career and Technical Education/Family and Consumer Sciences ¹³	Sep 1997-present	200 Family and Consumer Sciences Composite 8-12 (AAFCS)	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood/Career and Technical Education/Health Services ¹³	Sep 1997-present	173 Health Science Technology Education 8-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood/Career and Technical Education/Human Services ¹³	Sep 1997-present	170 PPR for Trades and Industrial Education 8-12 TExES OR 202 Human Development and Family Studies 6-12 (AAFCS)	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood/Career and Technical Education/Manufacturing and Engineering Technology ¹³	Sep 1997-present	170 PPR for Trades and Industrial Education 8-12 TExES OR 171 Technology Education 6-12 TExES	275
NBPTS	Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood/Career and Technical Education/Technology Education ¹³	Sep 1997-present	171 Technology Education 6-12 TExES	275
<p>11. The Spanish Texas Oral Proficiency Test (TOPT) is also required for Texas certification. North Carolina requires a combined score of 327 for tests 10191 Spanish: Content Knowledge and 20192 Spanish: Productive Language Skills</p> <p>12. The French Texas Oral Proficiency Test (TOPT) is also required for Texas certification</p> <p>13. Candidates applying for certification in the Career and Technical Education certificate areas must select a specialty area when applying. The Career and Technical Education Standards will provide the best description of specialty areas practice</p>				
<p>Educators who complete National Board for Professional Teaching Standards assessments possess valid teaching certificates and a minimum of three years of teaching experience. Therefore, committees of Texas educators and the SBEC Board have determined that passing scores on any NBPTS assessment may be used in lieu of Texas certification exams for individuals certified outside of the state of Texas. Individuals who have passed NBPTS assessments will be exempt from both content and pedagogy Texas assessments.</p>				

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EXAMS DEVELOPED BY AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

200	Family and Consumer Sciences Composite	May 2004-present	This is the exam required as part of the TX certificate in Family and Consumer Sciences 6-12	240
201	Hospitality, Nutrition, and Food Sciences	May 2004-present	This is the exam required as part of the TX certificate in Hospitality, Nutrition and Food Sciences 8-12	240
202	Human Development and Family Studies	May 2004-present	This is the exam required as part of the TX certificate in Human Development and Family Studies 8-12	240

These national AAFCS examinations may be used to meet content testing requirements for FCS Texas teacher certification.

EXAMS WHICH MAY NO LONGER BE USED FOR COMPARABILITY

(All requirements for certificates using the following tests under the ExCET testing program must have been completed by August 31, 2004 and applications must have been received by SBEC no later than October 30, 2004)

Test #	Assessment Name	Last date considered for Comparability	ExCET exams have replaced by the new TExES exams and may no longer be used for Comparability	
	ARIZONA			
01	Elementary Education	August 31, 2004	004 Elementary Comprehensive ExCET	258
91	Professional Knowledge-Elementary	August 31, 2004	002 Elementary Professional Development ExCET	258
92	Professional Knowledge-Secondary	August 31, 2004	003 Secondary Professional Development ExCET	255

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	COLORADO			
01	Elementary Education	August 31, 2004	004 Elementary Comprehensive ExCET	222
01	Elementary Education	August 31, 2004	004 Elementary Comprehensive ExCET	234

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	NEW MEXICO			
03	Assessment of Teacher Competence-Elementary	August 31, 2004	002 Elementary Professional Development ExCET	251
04	Assessment of Teacher Competence-Secondary	August 31, 2004	003 Secondary Professional Development ExCET	260

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	OKLAHOMA			
06	Elementary Education	August 31, 2004	004 Elementary Comprehensive ExCET	263
06	Elementary Education	August 31, 2004	004 Elementary Comprehensive ExCET	267
71	Professional Teacher Examination-Elementary	August 31, 2004	002 Elementary Professional Development ExCET	254
71	Professional Teacher Examination-Elementary	August 31, 2004	002 Elementary Professional Development ExCET	244
72	Professional Teacher Examination-Middle/Secondary	August 31, 2004	002 Secondary Professional Development ExCET	254
72	Professional Teacher Examination-Middle Secondary	August 31, 2004	002 Secondary Professional Development ExCET	263

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PRAXIS II and other ETS administered exams			ExCET exams have replaced by the new TEExES exams and may no longer be used for Comparability	
75	Professional Teacher Examination PK-8	August 31, 2004	002 Elementary Professional Development ExCET	254
76	Professional Teacher Examination 6-12	August 31, 2004	003 Secondary Professional Development ExCET	249
0011	Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment	August 31, 2004	004 Elementary Comprehensive ExCET	164
0014	Elementary Education: Content Knowledge	August 31, 2004	004 Elementary Comprehensive ExCET	151
0522	Principles of Learning and Teaching (K-6)	August 31, 2004	002 Elementary Professional Development ExCET	163
0524	Principles of Learning and Teaching (7-12)	August 31, 2004	003 Secondary Professional Development ExCET	163