

### **Praxis® Social Studies: Content Knowledge (5081)**

The current licensure test for Social Studies (7-12) is the Praxis® Social Studies: Content and Interpretation (5086); however, the Department recommends replacing the 5086 with the Praxis® Social Studies: Content Knowledge (5081) because the 5081 is all multiple choice (no short answer), is \$26 cheaper, and is offered more frequently.

For the Social Studies (7-12) license, the Department recommends replacing the current Praxis® Social Studies: Content and Interpretation (5086) with the Praxis® Social Studies: Content Knowledge (5081) with a cut score of 155 (score average of 30 states using 5081, see New Test Cut Scores) effective September 1, 2022.

### **Praxis® English Language Arts: Content Knowledge (5038)**

The current licensure test for English Language Arts (7-12) is the Praxis® English Language Arts: Content and Analysis (5039); however, the Department recommends replacing the 5039 with the Praxis® English Language Arts: Content Knowledge (5038) because the 5038 is all multiple choice (no short answer), is \$26 cheaper, and is offered more frequently.

For the English Language Arts (7-12) license, the Department recommends replacing the current Praxis® English Language Arts: Content and Analysis (5039) with the Praxis® English Language Arts: Content Knowledge (5038) with a cut score of 162 (-1SEM, see Technical Report) effective September 1, 2022.

### **New Praxis® Russian: World Language (5671)**

Russian (K-12) is an endorsement area added to a standard license by testing out. A new Praxis® Russian: World Language (5671) is available from Educational Testing Service (ETS).

The Praxis® Russian Study Companion (see attachment) describes the purpose and structure of the test. The test measures the knowledge, skills, and abilities of examinees who have had preparation in a program for teaching Russian in grades K–12.

For the licensure assessment to add the Russian (K-12) endorsement to a Standard Arkansas Educator License, the Department recommends adopting the Praxis® Russian: World Language (5671) with a cut score of 125 (-1SEM, see Technical Report), effective September 1, 2022.

### **Praxis® Physical Education: Content Knowledge (5091)**

The current licensure test for Coaching (K-12) endorsement is the Praxis® Physical Education: Content and Design (5095); however, the Department recommends replacing the 5095 with the Praxis® Physical Education: Content Knowledge (5091) because the 5091 is all multiple choice (no short answer), is \$26 cheaper, and is offered more frequently.

For the Coaching (K-12) endorsement, the Department recommends replacing the current Praxis® Physical Education: Content and Design (5095) with the Praxis® Physical Education: Content Knowledge (5091) with a cut score of 149 (score average of 30 states using the 5091, see New Test Cut Scores) effective September 1, 2022.

## **Updated Pre-K Special Education Endorsement and Assessment**

The Age 3-4 Special Education endorsement is currently available as a test out option for a Special Education (K-12) teacher to teach pre-kindergarten special education. The current licensure test for the Age 3-4 Special Education endorsement is the Praxis® Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education (5023). This license has been renamed Early Childhood Special Education (Pre-K) and will continue to be a test out option for Special Education (K-12) teachers. It is now also available as an exception area endorsement for teachers licensed in Early Childhood Pre-K, Early Childhood Pre-4, and Elementary Education (K-6). Exception area endorsements require coursework and the content test.

For the licensure test to add the Early Childhood Special Education (Pre-K) endorsement to a Standard Arkansas Educator License, the Department recommends adopting the Praxis® Special Education: Early Childhood/Early Intervention (5692) with a cut score of 153 (-1SEM, see Technical Report), replacing the Praxis® Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education (5023) effective September 1, 2022.