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PUBLIC ACT 16-41: BASIC SKILLS TESTS

According to the *State Competency Examination Guidance Document* (based on Public Act 16-41, effective July 1, 2016), the Praxis Core Academic Skills Test is no longer required as a Connecticut certification requirement. However, Connecticut educator preparation programs must still ensure that candidates have taken one of the following state-approved basic skills assessments: the Praxis Core Mathematics, Reading, and Writing tests, the SAT or the ACT. The test results are to be used as a diagnostic tool to determine whether additional support in basic skills is required.

Effective February 1, 2017, prospective educator preparation program candidates should submit questions regarding basic skills test requirements and/or waivers directly to the specific educator preparation program. The State Department of Education is no longer processing waiver applications.



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