

1 How does this option work?

This alternative allows eligible candidates to complete a professional learning module instead of retaking the entire Praxis test.

2 Who is eligible?

- Candidates who have attempted any of the subtests within the Praxis Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (5001) series at least once.
- Candidates who have scored within 1 SEM of the state passing score as defined by the CSDE.
- Candidates who want to teach in Connecticut.

3 How much does this cost?

The Alternate Passing Option is \$50.

Connecticut offers two free retests for eligible candidates that can be used for either a full test retake or the Alternate Passing Option. To take advantage of the free retake, you must complete and submit a [CT Retest Certificate](#).

4 What is the qualifying -1 SEM score for my state?

Test	5002	5003	5004	5005
CT Passing Score	157	157	155	159
CT -1 SEM Score	150	148	148	151

5 Why is 1 SEM the qualifying factor?

The 1 SEM threshold represents candidates that are close to passing a state's adopted cut score and will have a good chance of successfully completing the test when retaking without any additional preparation. Candidates that are below this threshold likely need more test preparation or learning to ensure they understand the content.

6 When and how will I be notified?

If you are eligible, you will receive an email from the Praxis program within 1-to-3 business days of receiving your scores. You will be able to purchase the Alternate Passing Option directly from your Praxis account.

7 How does ETS identify the module I need to take?

ETS Praxis will identify the content category on which you scored the lowest and then make that specific module available to you.

8 How do I access the course once I've registered for it?

You will receive an email with a link to the module. You can also access that link from your Praxis account. You will have access to both the link and the module for 6 months from the date of purchase.

9 How long is the module?

The module will take approximately 45 minutes to complete, but it is untimed and asynchronous.

10 What are the technical requirements for the Alternate Passing Option module?

You are not required to download any additional software or plug-ins or install any additional hardware for this training program. The platform is supported by all major browsers and operating systems including PCs, Mac®, iPad®, and Android. It is also compatible with all major screen-reading software for visually impaired users.

11 What does the Alternate Passing Option module look like?

The module provides content overviews, practice items with annotations, and a knowledge check. All stages help test takers define key concepts and affirm their understanding of the material.

12 What if I don't score 100% on my knowledge check?

You are required to achieve a score of 75%-80% on the knowledge check. If you score lower than that percentage range, you will be routed to the questions that you got incorrect, and the system will provide hints for those items. You will then have unlimited chances to answer the remaining items correctly before you can proceed.

13 How long do I have to complete the module?

You will have 6 months from the date of purchase to complete the Alternate Passing Option. If you do not complete the module within 6 months you will need to re-register for a full Praxis retake.

14 If I already re-registered for a new test, can I receive a refund?

Yes, you will need to contact customer service to request a refund. For the initial roll-out (November 2024-January 2025), the eligibility email will be delayed by 1-to-3 business days. If your report indicates you are within 1 SEM of the passing score, you should wait before re-registering for the test.

15 Are the answers saved after each question? Is it possible to return where you left off?

Yes, the answers are saved, and you can return where you left off.

16 How does my score change?

You will receive a Certificate of Completion upon successfully finishing the module. You will also be issued an updated Praxis Score Report that will indicate "Alt. Passed" for the specific subject-area test. The new score report will be issued within 5 business days after the module has been successfully completed.

17 Are other states participating in the roll-out?

Yes, the roll-out includes Connecticut, West Virginia, and Kansas.

18 How do I provide feedback on the modules?

At the end of the learning module, there will be a short survey where you can provide feedback.

