

Licensure Testing Information for 2017 – 2018

All candidates for an initial license are required to pass a basic skills test as well as MTLE pedagogy and content-area tests. If you are already licensed and adding another license, you only have to take the content knowledge test in the new licensure field.

August 30, 2016, MN NES Essential Academic Skills replaced the MTLE Basic Skills. Passing scores on MTLE Basic Skills will still be accepted, so candidates would only need to take the corresponding NES test to the one they did not pass. Alternative testing options include ACT plus Writing OR SAT with Essay. NES does not affect MTLE Content or Pedagogy.

MN NES and MTLE assessments are delivered as computer-based tests (CBT's). Each MTLE test includes multiple subtests, each with its own response, and/or other technology-supported test items to assess candidates' knowledge and skills based on the test objectives. Elementary Education (Grade K-6) has three subtests in a session that will run three (3) hours across all subtests.

Register online at www.mtle.nesinc.com (includes MN NES and MTLE). Create an account on the website and login to register. Remember to keep your user name and password so you can sign back in to view/change your registration, check scores, etc. Candidates will need to select and pay for their test(s) before they will be able to schedule a test date. Candidates wanting to take each subtest separately will need to register and pay for each subtest separately or the system will force you to schedule all in one block.

Testing Windows

Appointments to take tests are available Monday-Saturday, excluding holidays, year round as space allows. The yearly testing cycle is September 1 – August 31.

Preliminary Score Reports

Candidates will receive a preliminary score at the close of their testing session (for all computer-based tests EXCEPT for the Basic Skills Writing test). At the close of each testing window all tests will continue to go through the full Quality Control and item analysis processes through Pearson, and as such candidates will not receive their official score report until approximately 21 days after the close of the testing period.

◆ Score Reporting Options ◆

It is extremely important that candidates have their test scores sent to MN State Mankato for both Professional Education admission and Licensure approval purposes. During registration, candidates should be sure use the drop down menu to select and add **Minnesota State University – Mankato** as the institution to receive your scores. **Failure to report scores to MN State Mankato will cause a delay in the processing of Professional Ed. and Teaching License applications.**

Candidates should also be sure to request that their score reports be sent to them via email as a PDF attachment. MN State Mankato no longer receives an actual score report, only access to view your scores online. We recommend that you **download the pdf of your score report and save it for future use.** Score reports will only remain in your MTLE account for 45 days and then you will no longer be able to access them.

Basic Skills

MN NES Essential Academic Skills	Qualifying Score**	Test Fee
Reading Subtest	520	\$50 – any 1 NES test
Writing Subtest	520	\$75 – any 2 NES tests
Mathematics Subtest	520	\$100 – any 3 NES tests

ACT Plus Writing (both scores required to pass)	Qualifying Score**	Test Fee
Composite	22	\$58.50
Combined English/Writing	21	

SAT with Essay	Qualifying Score**	Test Fee
Reading	510	\$57.00
Writing	510	
Mathematics	520	

MTLE Pedagogy Tests

<u>Pedagogy Tests</u>	<u>Subtests</u> (examinees can take one or both subtests at one session)	<u>Qualifying Score**</u>	<u>Fee per subtest (+) \$50 Annual Regis. Fee***</u>
Pedagogy: Early Childhood (Birth to Grade 3)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Pedagogy: Elementary (Grades K-6)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Pedagogy: Secondary (Grades 5-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50

MTLE Content Area Tests

<u>Content Area Tests</u>	<u>Subtests</u> (examinees can take one or more subtests at one session)	<u>Qualifying Score**</u>	<u>Fee per subtest (+) \$50 Annual Regis. Fee***</u>
Agriculture	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Business (Grades 5-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Chemistry (Grades 9-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Communication Arts/Literature	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Computer, Keyboarding and Related Tech. (K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Dance (Grades K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Early Childhood Education (Birth to Grade 3)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Earth and Space Science (Grades 9-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Elementary (Grades K-6)	3 subtests	240	\$47.50
English as a Second Language	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Family and Consumer Sciences	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Health (Grades 5-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Instrumental Classroom Music (K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Library Media Specialist (Grades K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Life Science (Grades 9-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Mathematics (Grades 5-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Middle Level Endorsement Comm Arts/Lit (5-8)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Middle Level Endorsement Mathematics (5-8)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Middle Level Endorsement Science (5-8)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Middle Level Endorsement Social Studies (5-8)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Physical Education (Grades K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Physics (Grades 9-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
PrePrimary (Age 3 to PreKindergarten)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Reading Teacher (Grades K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Social Studies (Grades 5-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Special Education Core Skills (Birth to Age 21) (all fields including ABS, DAPE, DCD, EBD, LD)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Technology (Grades 5-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Theatre (Grades K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Visual Arts (Grades K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
Vocal Classroom Music (K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
World Language and Culture: Chinese (K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
World Language and Culture: French (K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
World Language and Culture: German (K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50
World Language and Culture: Spanish (K-12)	2 subtests	240	\$47.50

** Qualifying scores are set by the Minnesota Board of Teaching. Examinees must take and pass all subtests.

***The Annual Registration Fee refers to yearly testing cycle, September 1 – August 31.

Preparing for the MTLE

Check out the MTLE LibGuide, <http://libguides.mnsu.edu/content.php?pid=302278>, for resources and study guides available through Library Services. There are also optional resources listed at <http://ed.mnsu.edu/advising/mtle4.html>.