

New Mexico Teacher Assessments Program Update

The updated NMTA program now consists of two kinds of computer-based tests:

- **NMTA custom tests.** These tests were developed specifically for the state of New Mexico. Information and registration for these tests is on this NMTA website.
- **NES® (National Evaluation Series™) tests.** The NES is a nationally available teacher certification testing program with tests that are aligned to professionally accepted national subject and pedagogy standards. Effective January 5, 2015, most custom NMTA tests will be replaced by equivalent NES tests as the official tests to fulfill many testing requirements for New Mexico teacher licensure or endorsement. Information and registration for NES tests is on the NES website (the test links on this website will redirect you).

All tests in the program, both custom NMTA and NES, address areas covered by New Mexico state standards.

All NES tests and NMTA custom tests are computer-based. This means access to tests by appointment, year round—examinees do not have to wait for an assigned date before testing. (Some NMTA custom tests have specific testing windows throughout the year; this information is provided in "[Test Selection](#)".)

For information about who is required to test, which test(s) you need to take, or who to contact if you cannot determine which test(s) you need to take, see "[Licensure Requirements](#)".

The tables below list each type of test, as well as which NMTA test a NES test replaced. You can find the passing score, other information, and links to preparation materials for each test through "[Test Selection](#)".

Custom NMTA Tests
Assessment of Teacher Competency—Early Childhood
Educational Administrator
Educational Diagnostician
French
German
Reading
Spanish

NES® (National Evaluation Series™) Test	Replaced NMTA Test
Art	Visual Arts
Assessment of Professional Knowledge: Elementary	Assessment of Teacher Competency—Elementary
Assessment of Professional Knowledge: Secondary	Assessment of Teacher Competency—Secondary
Elementary Education (Subtests I and II)	Elementary Education
English Language Arts	Language Arts
English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)	Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
Essential Academic Skills (Subtests I, II, and III)	Assessment of Teacher Basic Skills
Essential Components of Elementary Reading Instruction	N/A
Family and Consumer Sciences	Family and Consumer Sciences
General Science	Science
Gifted Education	N/A
Health	Health Education
Mathematics	Mathematics
Middle Grades English Language Arts	Middle Level Language Arts
Middle Grades General Science	Middle Level Science
Middle Grades Mathematics	Middle Level Mathematics
Middle Grades Social Science	Middle Level History, Geography, Economics, Civics and Government
Music	Music
Physical Education	Physical Education
School Counselor	School Counselor
School Library Media Specialist	Library/Media
Social Science	History, Geography, Economics, Civics and Government
Special Education	Special Education