

On July 14, 2022, BESE President Garvey signed a waiver of BESE policy so teacher preparation providers may enroll and schedule candidates' fall semester courses. This eliminates impact delays on Acts [707](#) and [244](#) of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session regarding enrolling students into teacher preparation programs.

This **does not waive** requirements for initial **certification**. Additional policy recommendations based on the aforementioned Acts will be brought to BESE for consideration in August 2022.

The specific rules impacting teacher education candidates and institutions of higher education in [Bulletin 996, Standards for Approval of Teacher and/or Educational Leader Preparation Programs](#), and [Bulletin 746, Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel](#) are:

- Bulletin 996, §733.B.4. Requires passage of the Praxis core academic skills test prior to admission to a practitioner teacher alternative path to certification program.
- Bulletin 996, §735.C.3. Requires passage of the Praxis core academics skills test prior to admission to a Master's degree program alternate path to certification.
- Bulletin 996, §737.C.4.a. Requires passage of the Praxis core academics skills test prior to admission to a certification-only program alternative path to certification.
- Bulletin 996, §743.E.2. Requires passage of the core academic skills test prior to admission to a traditional teacher preparation program.
- Bulletin 996, §745.F.3. Requires passage of the core academic skills test prior to admission to an alternate teacher preparation program.
- Bulletin 746, §515.A.4.c. Requires passage of the core academic skills test prior to issuance of a provisional practitioner license for use by an educator while enrolled in an alternate teacher preparation program. This credential is issued for employment as a teacher of record during completion of the program.
- Bulletin 746, §535.C.3. Requires passage of the core academic skills test for issuance of a nonstandard teaching credential for individuals satisfying the education program requirement to complete a one-year residency.

On August 12, BESE President Garvey signed an **additional** waiver of BESE policy impacting teacher certification. The additional waiver **removes the requirement of a standardized teaching aptitude test for standard certification**. This affects initial professional level licensure (after completion of a teacher preparation program), advancement from an out-of-state certificate to a standard professional level certificate, and for advancement from a world language certificate.

The specific rules impacting teacher education candidates in [Bulletin 746, Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel](#) are:

- Bulletin 746, §303.A. Requires passage of the Praxis core academic skills test as a requirement for educator certification.
- Bulletin 746, §507.A. Requires passage of the Praxis core academic skills test for issuance of a professional level certificate.
- Bulletin 746, §511.C.1.a. Requires passage of the core exams for advancement from an Out-of-State certificate.
- Bulletin 746, §513.E. Requires passage of the Praxis core academic skills test for advancement from a World Language certificate.

These waivers of BESE rules will be in effect from the date of signature until policy revisions are considered, as Notice of Intent and Declaration of Emergency, at the **August 24, 2022**, BESE meeting and will be subject to the ratification of the state board.

For the **exam portion** of requirements for the following certificates, this means:

- Praxis **Core** is **not required** for issuance of a **Resident Certificate**
  - Praxis **Content** is **REQUIRED** for **renewal** of a **Resident Certificate**
- Praxis **Core** is **not required** for **issuance** of a **Practitioner's License (PL)**
  - Praxis **Content** is **REQUIRED** for **issuance** of a **Practitioner's License (PL)**
- Praxis **Core** is **not required** for **issuance** of an **Initial Level certificate (LV1, 2, or 3)**
  - Praxis **Content** is **REQUIRED** for **issuance** of an **Initial Level certificate (LV1, 2, or 3)**
- Praxis Core is not required for advancement from an OS to a Level certificate
  - Praxis Content is **REQUIRED** for **advancement from an OS to a Level**
- Praxis Core is not required for advancement from a WLC to a Level certificate
  - Praxis Content is **REQUIRED** for **advancement from a WLC to a Level**
- Praxis **Core Reading and Writing** is **REQUIRED** for issuance of a **Temporary Authority to Teach (TAT)**
  - Two Attempts at Praxis **Content** is **REQUIRED** for **renewal** of a **TAT**