



Focused on Flexibility, Built for Today's Classrooms

The new Praxis Elementary Education Fundamentals tests align with the latest standards and support candidate success.

Launching Spring 2026, the new Praxis Elementary Education Fundamentals tests are built to reflect what matters most for today's classrooms—ensuring candidates have the right content knowledge, with greater flexibility to succeed.



Key Enhancements



Updated to reflect the latest national standards



Modular design provides flexibility for candidates to test when they feel most prepared with Praxis Steps



Presents content in the context of applied practice



The redesigned tests will replace the following Elementary Education series of tests: 5001, 7001, 5901, 7811.



Tests Comparison At A Glance

Notable Test Updates

- Updated to align with the latest content standards from ILA, NCSS, C3, NGSS, NSTA, CAEP, and others.
- Incorporates Science of Reading principles, Social Studies Inquiry Skills, and Science and Engineering Practices.
- No combined test option (to take all tests in one sitting).
- Praxis Steps enabled, allowing candidates to take or retake one content category at a time.

CURRENT ELEMENTARY EDUCATION: READING & LANGUAGE ARTS (5002)		NEW (8002)	
Category (Approx. % of Test)	Approx. # of Questions	Category (Approx. % of Test)	Approx. # of Questions
Reading (47%)	38	Reading (52%)	42
Writing, Speaking, and Listening (53%)	42	Writing, Speaking, and Listening (48%)	38
Total	80	Total	80

CURRENT ELEMENTARY EDUCATION: TEACHING READING (7002)		NEW (8006)	
Category (Approx. % of Test)	Approx. # of Questions	Category (Approx. % of Test)	Approx. # of Questions
Phonological and Phonemic Awareness and Emergent Literacy (15%)	12	Foundational Literacy Skills (40%)	32
Phonics and Decoding (20%)	16		
Vocabulary and Fluency (24%)	19	Fluency and Vocabulary (30%)	24
Comprehension of Literary and Informational Text (24%)	19	Comprehension and Written Expression (30%)	24
Written Expression (17%)	14		
Total	80	Total	80



CURRENT ELEMENTARY EDUCATION: MATHEMATICS (5003, 5903, 7003)			NEW (8003)	
Category (Approx. % of Test)	Approx. # of Questions		Category (Approx. % of Test)	Approx. # of Questions
	(5003, 5903)	(7003)		(8003)
Numbers and Operations (40%)	20	16	Numbers and Operations (42%)	28
Algebraic Thinking (30%)	15	12	Algebraic Thinking (29%)	20
Geometry and Measurement, Data, Statistics, and Probability (30%)	15	12	Geometry, Measurement, and Data (29%)	20
Total	50	40	Total	68

CURRENT ELEMENTARY EDUCATION: SOCIAL STUDIES (5004, 5904, 7004)			NEW (8004)	
Category (Approx. % of Test)	Approx. # of Questions		Category (Approx. % of Test)	Approx. # of Questions
	(5004, 5904)	(7004)		(8004)
United States History, Government, and Citizenship (45%)	27	25	United States History, Government, and Citizenship (43%)	33
Geography, Anthropology, and Sociology (30%)	18	16	Geography, Anthropology, and Sociology (30%)	23
World History and Economics (25%)	15	14	World History and Economics (27%)	21
Total	60	55	Total	77



CURRENT ELEMENTARY EDUCATION: SCIENCE (5005, 5905, 7005)			NEW (8005)	
Category (Approx. % of Test)	Approx. # of Questions		Category (Approx. % of Test)	Approx. # of Questions
	(5005, 5905)	(7005)		(8005)
Earth Science (33%)	17-18	16	Earth and Space Sciences (32%)	24
Life Science (33%)	18-19	17	Life Science (34%)	25
Physical Science (33%)	18-19	17	Physical Science (34%)	25
Total	55	50	Total	74

Introducing Praxis Steps: A Flexible Path to Success

The new Elementary Education Fundamentals tests will be built with the new Praxis Steps modular solution, which allows candidates to have more control over their testing experience.

Candidate Benefits

- Test in smaller “steps” when they feel most ready
- Receive diagnostic feedback to target areas of improvement
- Build confidence, reduce test anxiety and master content knowledge
- Save time and money by retaking only the step they did not pass, rather than the full test

Program Benefits

- Provide more opportunities for candidates to meet their specific requirements without sacrificing standards
- Guide candidates to test while the content is fresh
- Support candidates in areas where they struggle
- Leverage more granular data to drive program improvements

Praxis Steps capabilities will be available shortly after the Elementary Education Fundamentals tests launch.



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Contact your Director of Educational Partnerships to adopt the new Elementary Education Fundamentals tests and learn about incentives for candidates to take the updated tests in Spring 2026.

