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Discussion Resolution
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A Resolution to Adopt Revised Praxis Tests and Qualifying Scores for Praxis General Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Earth and Space Sciences and a New Test and Qualifying Score for Computer Science

Whereas, the State Board of Education has required that teacher certification candidates pass tests in specified disciplines in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-8.1, that became effective May 1, 2023; and

Whereas, the Educational Testing Service (ETS) has recently revised and established new recommended qualifying scores for revised tests in the subject areas of Praxis General Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Earth Sciences to replace the current tests used by the Department; and

Whereas, the Department has recently adopted a new Computer Science endorsement and Educational Testing Service (ETS) has recently established a new test in the subject area of Computer Science; and

Whereas, New Jersey stakeholders have participated in national standard-setting studies for the General Science, Biology, Chemistry, Earth Sciences, and Computer Science tests; and

Whereas, the Department will monitor the impact of these tests and qualifying scores on the passing rates for each subject area and will report any problems with the same to the State Board of Education; now therefore be it

Resolved, that the State Board of Education hereby supports the Department’s selection of these Praxis tests; and be it further

Resolved, that the State Board of Education hereby acknowledges and accepts the tests and adopts the following qualifying scores effective September 1, 2023:

Qualifying Score

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| Biology | 154 |
| Chemistry | 156 |
| Earth Science | 154 |
| General Science | 141 |
| Physics | 145 |
| Computer Science | 149 |

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