

# Updated Praxis Test and Cut Score Middle School Social Studies (5589)

Adoption Resolution  
July 1, 2026

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# Redesign and Cut Score Development Overview

- Updated assessment reflects current standards and expectations
- Emphasizes critical thinking and connections
- Increases selected response questions and eliminates essays

- Content aligned to national frameworks and NJSLS
- Content reviewed by educational experts to ensure relevance and rigor

- Cut score developed through multistate standard-setting study
- Reflects entry level knowledge expectations for new educators



# Requested Board Action

## Adoption of Assessment and Cut Score

New Test Code	New Test Name	Proposed Cut Score	Effective Date
5589	Middle School Social Studies	149	9/1/2026



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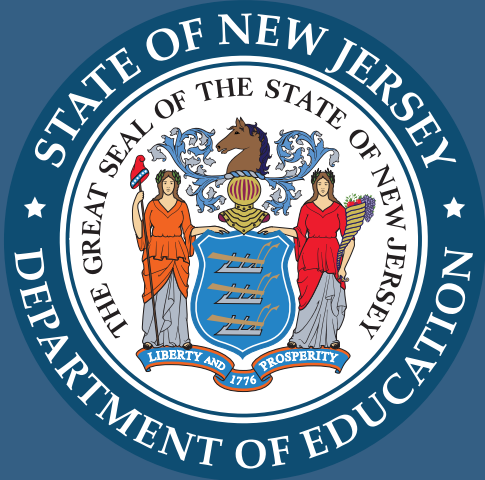
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