

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

PRAXIS II TEST INFORMATION Affecting Candidates For All Elementary and Science Licenses

The Minnesota Board of Teaching recently changed the law regarding Praxis II testing for middle-level licensure areas. Until this change, many middle-level areas did not require passing a Praxis II exam as a requirement for licensure.

WHEN

This law goes into effect on **October 1, 2004**. If the MN Department of Education receives your license application by September 30, 2004, this change will NOT APPLY to you. If the MN Department of Education receives your license application on October 1, or after, this DOES APPLY to you, and you should continue reading.

ELEMENTARY LICENSES

(See the attached test guide)

- All Elementary licensure candidates must pass two Elementary Exams, the K-6 PLT (0522) and the Elementary Content (0014).
- In addition, all Elementary candidates must now take a specialty area content exam.
- K-8 World Languages and Culture does not need to take an additional Praxis II Exam, but does need to take an Oral Proficiency Exam through the language department.

SCIENCE LICENSES

(See the attached test guide)

- All Science candidates now must pass two Secondary Exams, the 7-12 PLT (0524) and a content exam specific to their specific scientific disciplines, Chemistry, Earth Space, Life Science, Physics, or General Science.
- 9-12 science candidates also need to take the 5-8 General Science exam IF they are seeking licensure in 5-8 general science license.