



Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators®



Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators® (GACE®) Newsletter

The GACE® Newsletter is intended to be a resource for Educator Preparation Program Providers to gain access to all of the important information and changes happening in the GACE program. The GACE Newsletter includes important dates, information about tests and policies, reminders about testing windows and more. The latest GACE program information can always be found at www.gace.ets.org.

Upcoming/Important Dates:

- ETS Offices will be closed on Monday, September 2.
Registration for Fall 2019 Teacher Leadership submission window opens August 2.

- Read past issues of the GACE Newsletter.
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PROGRAM UPDATES

Induction Passing Score

The Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) has made a decision to hold the induction passing score for GACE content assessments at 220. The following scores will continue to be required to pass a content assessment:

- 220 – passing at the induction level
- 250 – passing at the professional level

2019–20 Information on GACE Website

Testing windows, registration deadlines, and score reporting dates for the 2019–20 testing year are now available on the [GACE website](#).

The 2019–20 GACE [Registration Bulletin](#) and the [Bulletin Supplement for Test Takers with Disabilities or Health-related Needs](#) have also been posted. The effective date for these documents is September 1, 2019, through August 31, 2020.

The 2018–19 [Registration Bulletin](#) and [Bulletin Supplement](#) and the 2018-19 testing windows, deadlines, and score reporting dates will remain posted until September 1 when the new testing year begins.

Updated Test Center Search Tool

The test center search tool under [Test Dates and Centers](#) on the GACE website has been updated to include a map and directions for most of the test centers located in the state of Georgia. When test takers enter a location, results will show test centers nearby with an address, distance to the test center, and directions.

Assessments Moving to Continuous Testing September 1

The following assessments will move to continuous testing on September 1, 2019. Test takers will be able to see specific test date availability during the registration process.

- Biology
- Music
- Special Education General Curriculum/Elementary Education

Delayed Reporting for the Program Admission Assessment in September

Because GACE Program Admission – Mathematics (Test Code 211) has been revised, score reporting for those taking this test between September 1–30, 2019, will be a little later than usual. Scores will be reported on October 18, 2019. A notice has been posted on the GACE website, and test takers will be informed when registering that the scores will be delayed.

Change in Assessment Titles

Effective September 1, the title of Early Childhood Education will change to Elementary Education, and Early Childhood Special Education General Curriculum will change to Special Education General Curriculum/Elementary Education. Only the titles will change; the test specifications are the same. A Study Companion and Test at a Glance (TAAG) are available on the GACE website for the revised titles.

PARAPROFESSIONAL ASSESSMENT

Join Our Testing Network

The GACE Paraprofessional testing network is **recruiting!** We need additional public test sites in the Atlanta Metro area. Our objective is to provide potential paraprofessionals with ample opportunities and locations to take the assessment, and we hope that you will assist us in reaching this goal. School districts, Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs), Educational Technology Training Centers (ETTCs), technical colleges, and many

other agencies are currently administering the assessment. Please consider administering the GACE Paraprofessional assessment in collaboration with ETS and/or suggesting other nearby schools or locations that may be able to participate.

See the [GACE Paraprofessional Test Administrators website](#) for information about the assessment, technical requirements, and basic information needed by test administrators to successfully prepare for, and administer, this assessment. ETS will reimburse participating school districts, RESAs, ETTCs, and other agencies \$10 per examinee tested each quarter. So if you meet the technical requirements and would like to administer the GACE Paraprofessional assessment, please complete the [online application](#) today! We look forward to working with you.

PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FOR SCHOOL LEADERS (PASL)

Spring 2019 Resubmissions Score Reporting Date

Scores for the Spring 2019 resubmission window were released on **June 19, 2019**.

Official score reports are available via test takers' testing accounts in the ETS Performance Assessments registration system. Scores are automatically sent to program providers, the GaPSC, and any designated score recipients at that time. A [sample score report](#) is available on the GACE website.

Fall 2019 Registration and Submission Window

Registration	August 5, 2019 – October 25, 2019
Submission Window	September 3, 2019 – October 31, 2019

PREPARING PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES

Khan Academy® Practice Tests

On July 22, the current Program Admission Reading (200), Writing (202), and Mathematics (201) interactive practice tests became available for **free** at [Khan Academy®](#).

New GACE Test Preparation Materials

GACE Program Admission Reading (210), Writing (212), and Mathematics (211) Interactive Practice Tests (IPTs) are now available for purchase in the [ETS store](#).

An updated Test at a Glance and Study Companion for the Program Admission assessment are available in the [Test Prep Materials section](#) of the GACE website.

A Test at a Glance and Study Companion for the Elementary Education and Special Education General Curriculum/Elementary Education assessments can be downloaded from the [Test Prep Materials section](#) of the GACE website.

TEACHER LEADERSHIP ASSESSMENT

Spring 2019 Resubmissions Score Reporting Date

Scores for the Spring 2019 resubmission window will be released on **July 30, 2019**.

Official score reports are available via test takers' testing accounts in the Teacher Leadership submission system. Scores are automatically sent to program providers, the GaPSC, and any designated score recipients at that time. A [sample score report](#) is available on the GACE website.

Fall 2019 Registration and Submission Window

Registration	August 2, 2019 – October 25, 2019
Submission Window	August 2, 2019 – November 1, 2019*

*All tasks are due by 2 p.m. on this date.

Rescheduling a Submission Window

Rescheduling a submission window can only be done if the registration deadline for the initial submission window has not passed, and the new submission window is open for registration. Changing a submission window incurs a \$50 rescheduling fee.

Note: Tasks and artifacts uploaded for the original submission window will not transfer automatically to the new submission window. Candidates will be required to re-upload any tasks and artifacts they have previously uploaded. All tasks and artifacts must be submitted by the same deadline date.

Resubmitting Tasks

Test takers who do not pass the assessment are allowed to resubmit any or all of the six tasks. There is a \$75 resubmission fee for each task that is resubmitted.

Test takers are allowed to resubmit two additional times to attempt to receive a passing score. Tasks may be resubmitted in the resubmission window immediately following the original submission window, or test takers may wait until the next window. The two-resubmission limit still applies. If they do not resubmit within this time frame, they will have to register and pay to retake the assessment.

Spring 2019 (Test Code 313) Resubmission Window 2

Registration	August 2, 2019 – October 25, 2019
Resubmission Window	August 2, 2019 – November 1, 2019*

* All tasks are due by 2 p.m. ET on this date.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Primary Language Is Not English (PLNE) Accommodations

Test takers whose Primary Language is Not English (PLNE) may request PLNE accommodations. Test takers who are approved will be allowed 50 percent extended testing time. PLNE accommodations are available at all established test centers. See information about [how to apply for PLNE accommodations](#).

This service does not apply to individuals taking any of the GACE language tests, or if their first language is American Sign Language.

ID Documents

Test takers are responsible for bringing valid and acceptable identification each time they report to a test center. To be admitted to a test center, they must bring the correct documents and ensure that they are **up to date on the date of the test**. If the documents are expired, or the name on the documents doesn't match their MyPSC account, they will not be admitted. Documents presented on a cell phone or any other electronic device are not acceptable. Identification document requirements are outlined in the *GACE® Registration Bulletin* and on the GACE website at gace.ets.org/test_day/id.