







# Latest on GACE: Updates and Reminders – May 16, 2025

The launch of the new GACE program on July 1, 2025, is getting closer! Following are a few important GACE updates and reminders.

- Please review the GACE Transition and Literacy Assessment policy available at <u>GACE Transition</u>
   Policy 3-24-25.pdf.
- Because scores from tests offered by different test suppliers are not comparable, examinees
  must pass all parts of an assessment with the same testing supplier for that assessment to count
  toward certification.

### **TESTING WITH ETS**

#### **EPPs:** Grant Eligibility for ETS Testing

Any candidate taking an assessment with ETS that requires eligibility from the program provider must have that eligibility granted by June 12, 2025, in order to test with ETS. This also applies to the fields of Teacher Leadership and Educational Leadership Tier II. Test takers who do not have eligibility granted by June 12, 2025, will have to test with ES.

#### June 12, 2025

- June 12, 2025, is the final day test takers can request to register for an ETS assessment in their MyPSC account, excluding the fields of Teacher Leadership and Educational Leadership Tier II.
- Any candidate taking an assessment with ETS that requires eligibility from the program
  provider, must have that eligibility granted by June 12, 2025, in order to test with ETS. This
  applies also to the fields of Teacher Leadership and Educational Leadership Tier II.

#### June 15, 2025

June 15, 2025, is the date of the final administration of ETS content assessments. Not all ETS
assessments are administered on that date. Test takers for that administration must register by
June 12, 2025.

#### June 30, 2025

• June 30, 2025, is the final date for test takers to complete an ethics assessment with ETS. Test takers must register by June 12, 2025.

## **TESTING WITH EVALUATION SYSTEMS, PEARSON (ES)**

New information about the GACE program with Evaluation Systems, Pearson (ES) is available <a href="https://www.gace.es.pearson.com">www.gace.es.pearson.com</a>, which is the pre-launch version of the new GACE website. The site will be fully operational by July 1, 2025; however, this site now includes the following information to assist you.

• The individual GACE Frameworks for all new GACE assessments, which provide an overview of the content covered by each assessment.

- Correlation Tables for most assessments, which document the alignment of assessment framework objectives to state and national educator preparation standards
- Preparation materials for many of the assessments. More resources and additional test titles will follow. Free interactive practice tests will be available upon registration.
- Test administration information.
- Fees for the new assessments.
- FAQs.

#### Important notes:

- For information on each assessment's design, please review the assessment framework, available here.
- Most teaching field content assessments use a testlet model, in which an assessment is divided into smaller segments. Learn more about testlets <a href="here">here</a>.
- The Literacy Assessments, Educational Leadership Tier I Assessment, Ethics Assessments, and Paraprofessional Assessment are not testlet-based. Each consists of selected response (multiple choice) items, except the Educational Leadership Tier I Assessment consists of selected response and constructed response (essay) items.
- The assessments for the following fields are not testlet-based. Each consists of all constructed response (essay) items.
  - Curriculum and Instruction
  - Instructional Technology
  - Teacher Leadership
  - Educational Leadership Tier II
- Information about the content of the American Sign Language (P–12) Assessments and the Ethics Assessments will be available on the ES website on July 1, 2025.
- Registration for the GACE program with ES opens July 1, 2025.
- ES' Customer Service will be available July 1, 2025.

We look forward to a smooth transition from ETS to ES. Please let us know how we can assist you.

As always, thank you for your work and continued collaboration.