

**Career & Technology Education Work-Based Certification**  
**PRAXIS I Basic Skills Assessment**  
**Frequently Asked Questions**

Career and Technology Education teachers must take the Basic Skills Examination during their first year of certification and pass all three parts of the exam by the end of the fifth year of certification. Section 59-26-40 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, State Board of Education Regulation R43-63, and the Attorney General's ruling both state that teachers certified under the career and technology education work-based process **may be employed a maximum of five years** if they have not obtained an acceptable score on all three parts of the Basic Skills Examination. The Attorney General's ruling further states that the only restriction on the number of times a career and technology education teacher may take the exam is the number of times it is offered during the five (5) year period allowed career and technology education teachers for completion of certification requirements.

Who is eligible to use the PRAXIS I Pre-Professional Skills Test to validate basic skills competency?

Those Career and Technology Education Work-Based teachers listed below **MUST** validate their basic skill competency with PRAXIS I Pre-Professional Skills Test.

- Health Science Technology
- Information Technology – Programming
- Information Technology – Networking
- Culinary Arts

When must the PRAXIS I be taken?

- All three parts must be **taken** by **June 30<sup>th</sup>** of the **1st year of certification.**

When must the PRAXIS I be passed?

- All three parts must be **passed** by **June 30<sup>th</sup>** of the **5<sup>th</sup> year of certification.**

What parts of the PRAXIS I do I need to take?

Career and Technology Education Work-Based teachers have the option of completing a paper-delivered or computer-delivered PRAXIS I test.

- Paper-delivered tests:
  - 0710 PPST Reading
  - 0720 PPST Writing
  - 0730 PPST Mathematics
- Computer-delivered tests:
  - 5710 Computerized PPST Reading
  - 5720 Computerized PPST Writing
  - 5730 Computerized PPST Mathematics

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Where can I preview the required assessments and scoring?

- <http://www.ets.org/praxis/about/praxisi>

Where can I take the PRAXIS I test?

- [http://www.ets.org/praxis/register/centers\\_dates](http://www.ets.org/praxis/register/centers_dates)

How do I register for the PRAXIS I test?

- <http://www.ets.org/praxis/register>

How are my scores reported to the Office of Educator Certification/South Carolina Department of Education?

- Your scores are reported electronically to the Office of Educator Certification **based on three important factors:**
  - Correct agency address,
  - Correct agency code, and
  - Your Social Security Number.
- Examinees may identify up to three institutions or licensing agencies to receive PRAXIS scores for free. Please use the following information during registration:

<u>Agency Address</u>	<u>Agency code</u>	<u>Your Social Security Number</u>
Office of Educator Certification 3700 Forest Drive, Suite 500 Columbia, SC 29204	8108	XXX-XX-XXXX

- An overview of reporting and accessing scores can be found at:  
<http://www.ets.org/praxis/scores>.

How long will it take for the Office of Educator Certification to receive/enter my scores?

- Normally about 30 days.

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