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Rhode Island Certification Tests and Passing Scores

The following certification tests and passing scores are required for Initial Licensure in the state of Rhode Island as of September 2016. Information for the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) may be obtained at www.actfl.org. Information for the Versant Pro Speaking and Writing English test may be obtained at www.versanttest.com. Information for all other tests may be obtained at www.ets.org.

Certification Area (Code)	Certification Test (Code)	Passing Score
Early Childhood Education		
Early Childhood Education Teacher (11101)	Education of Young Children (5024)	160
	Early Childhood Education (5025)	156
	(Elementary Education tests also qualify for Early Childhood Education Certification.)	
Early Childhood Bilingual and Dual Language Education Teacher (11191)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
	For French: French World Language (5174) with a passing score of 162; for German: German World Language (5183) with a passing score of 163; for Latin: Latin (5601) with a passing score of 161; for Spanish: Spanish World Language (5195) with a passing score of 168; for all other languages: Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) with a passing score of Advanced Low	
Early Childhood English as a Second Language Teacher (11292)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
Early Childhood Special Education Teacher (11181)	Special Education: Preschool/Early Childhood (5691)	159
Elementary Education		
Elementary Education Teacher (11201)	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622)	160
	Elementary Multiple Subjects (5001)	
	Reading and Language Arts Subtest (5002)	157
	Mathematics Subtest (5003)	157
	Social Science Subtest (5004)	155
	Science Subtest (5005)	159
Elementary Bilingual and Dual Language Education Teacher (11291)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
	For French: French World Language (5174) with a passing score of 162; for German: German World Language (5183) with a passing score of 163; for Latin: Latin (5601) with a passing score of 161; for Spanish: Spanish World Language (5195) with a passing score of 168; for all other languages: Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) with a passing score of Advanced Low	

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Elementary English as a Second Language Teacher (11292)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
Elementary Special Education Teacher (11281)	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Mild to Moderate Applications (5543)	164
Middle Grades		
<p>NOTE: Educators seeking a Middle School Stand Alone Certificate, a Middle School Extension, a Middle Grades Bilingual and Dual Language Education Certificate or a Middle Grades English as a Second Language Certificate who have not taken the Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622), Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623), or Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624) must take and pass Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623) with a passing score of 160 in order to be eligible for this certificate.</p>		
Middle Grades English Teacher –Stand Alone Certificate (11301)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School English Language Arts (5047) OR English Language Arts Content and Analysis (5039)	164
		168
Middle Grades English Teacher – Elementary Extension (11331)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School English Language Arts (5047) OR English Language Arts Content and Analysis (5039)	164
		168
Middle Grades English Teacher – Secondary Extension (11341)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School English Language Arts (5047) OR English Language Arts Content and Analysis (5039)	164
		168
Middle Grades Mathematics Teacher - Stand Alone Certificate (11302)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School Mathematics (5169) OR Mathematics: Content Knowledge (5161)	165
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Middle Grades Mathematics Teacher - Elementary Extension (11332)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School Mathematics (5169) OR Mathematics: Content Knowledge (5161)	165
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Middle Grades Mathematics Teacher - Secondary Extension (11342)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School Mathematics (5169) OR Mathematics: Content Knowledge (5161)	165
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Certification Area (Code)	Certification Test (Code)	Passing Score
Middle Grades Science Teacher – Stand Alone Certificate (11303)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School Science (5440)	150
	OR General Science: Content Knowledge (5435)	153
Middle Grades Science Teacher - Elementary Extension (11333)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School Science (5440)	150
	OR General Science: Content Knowledge (5435)	153
Middle Grades Science Teacher - Secondary Extension (11343)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School Science (5440)	150
	OR General Science: Content Knowledge (5435)	153
Middle Grades Social Studies Teacher – Stand Alone Certificate (11304)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School Social Studies (5089)	160
	OR Social Studies: Content Knowledge (5081)	162
Middle Grades Social Studies Teacher - Elementary Extension (11334)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School Social Studies (5089)	160
	OR Social Studies: Content Knowledge (5081)	162
Middle Grades Social Studies Teacher - Secondary Extension (11344)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 5-9 (5623)	160
	Middle School Social Studies (5089)	160
	OR Social Studies: Content Knowledge (5081)	162
Middle Grades Bilingual and Dual Language Education Teacher (11391)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
	For French: French World Language (5174) with a passing score of 162; for German: German World Language (5183) with a passing score of 163; for Latin: Latin (5601) with a passing score of 161; for Spanish: Spanish World Language (5195) with a passing score of 168; for all other languages: Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) with a passing score of Advanced Low	
Middle Grades English as a Second Language Teacher (11392)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
Middle Grades Special Education Teacher (11381)	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Mild to Moderate Applications (5543)	164

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Secondary Grades Education		
Secondary Grades Agriculture Teacher (11401)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157
	Agriculture (5701)	147
Secondary Grades Biology Teacher (11402)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157
	Biology: Content Knowledge (5235)	157
Secondary Grades Business Education Teacher (11403)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157
	Business Education: Content Knowledge (5101)	167
Secondary Career and Technical Education Teacher (11404)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157
	Appropriate NOCTI test and passing score	
Secondary Grades Chemistry Teacher (11405)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157
	Chemistry: Content Knowledge (5245)	156
Secondary Grades English Teacher (11406)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157
	English Language Arts Content and Analysis (5039)	168
Secondary Grades General Science Teacher (11407)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157
	General Science: Content Knowledge (5435)	153
Secondary Grades Mathematics Teacher (11408)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157
	Mathematics: Content Knowledge (5161)	160
Secondary Grades Physics Teacher (11409)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157
	Physics: Content Knowledge (5265)	146
Secondary Grades Social Studies Teacher (11410)	Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157
	Social Studies: Content Knowledge (5081)	162
Secondary Grades Bilingual and Dual Language Education Teacher (11491)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
	For French: French World Language (5174) with a passing score of 162; for German: German World Language (5183) with a passing score of 163; for Latin: Latin (5601) with a passing score of 161; for Spanish: Spanish World Language (5195) with a passing score of 168; for all other languages: Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) with a passing score of Advanced Low	
Secondary Grades English as a Second Language Teacher (11492)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
Secondary Grades Special Education Teacher (11481)	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Mild to Moderate Applications (5543)	164
All Grades Education		
All Grades Art Teacher (11501)	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622)	160
	OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	157

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	Art: Content Knowledge (5134)	158
All Grades Dance Teacher (11502)	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622) OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	160 157
	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622) OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624) Family and Consumer Sciences (5122)	160 157 153
All Grades Health Teacher (11504)	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622) OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	160 157
	Health Education (5551)	162
	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622) OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624) Library Media Specialist (5311)	160 157 162
All Grades Music Teacher (11506)	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622) OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	160 157
	Music: Content Knowledge (5113)	160
	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622) OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624) Physical Education: Content Knowledge (5091)	160 157 154
All Grades School Nurse Teacher (11508)	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622) OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	160 157
	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622) OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	160 157
	Technology Education (5051)	166

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All Grades Theatre Teacher (11510)	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622) OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	160
	Theatre (5641)	157
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All Grades World Language Teacher (11512)	Principles of Learning & Teaching K-6 (5622) OR Principles of Learning & Teaching 7-12 (5624)	160
	French World Language (5174)	157
		162
	German World Language (5183)	163
	Latin (5601)	161
	Spanish World Language (5195)	168
	All other world languages - Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI)	Advanced Low
Special Education - Deaf and Hard of Hearing (11582)	Education of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students (5272)	160
	American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) (0634)	170
Special Education - Visually Impaired (11583)	Special Education Teaching Students with Visual Impairments (5282)	163
	Braille Proficiency (0633)	169
Special Education - Severe Intellectual Disability (11584)	Special Education: Core Knowledge and Severe to Profound Applications(5545)	164
All Grades Bilingual and Dual Language Education Teacher (11591)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
	For French: French World Language (5174) with a passing score of 162; for German: German World Language (5183) with a passing score of 163; for Latin: Latin (5601) with a passing score of 161; for Spanish: Spanish World Language (5195) with a passing score of 168; for all other languages: Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) with a passing score of Advanced Low	
All Grades English as a Second Language Teacher (11592)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
Administrators		
Building Level Administrator (12001)	School Leaders Licensure Assessment (6011)	166
Superintendent of Schools (12016)	School Superintendent Assessment (6021)	160
Support Professionals		
Reading Specialist/Consultant (13011)	Reading Specialist (5301)	164
English as a Second Language Specialist/Consultant (13013)	English to Speakers of Other Languages (5362)	155
School Counselor (13001)	Professional School Counselor (5421)	156
School Psychologist (13002)	School Psychologist (5402)	147
Speech and Language Pathology (13004)	Speech and Language Pathologist (5331)	162

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English Language Proficiency		
All certificate areas when the prospective educator was prepared for certification at an institution where English was not the language of instruction.	Versant Pro Speaking and Writing English	64