

To support the identified need in elementary literacy, beginning 1/1/2021, all elementary candidates will need to pass the Science of Teaching Reading (293) examination for certification

Certification Area	Before 12/31/2020	On or after 1/1/2021
Core Subjects: Early Childhood-Grade 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Subjects EC-6 (291) • Pedagogical examination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Subjects EC-6 (391) • Science of Teaching Reading (293) • Pedagogical examination
Core Subjects: Grades 4-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Subjects 4-8 (211) • Pedagogical examination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Subjects 4-8 (211) • Science of Teaching Reading (293) • Pedagogical examination
English Language Arts and Reading: Grades 4-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Language Arts and Reading 4-8 (117) • Pedagogical examination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Language Arts and Reading 4-8 (117) • Science of Teaching Reading (293) • Pedagogical examination

The agency will follow the timeline below to meet the HB3 statute:

Last Day to take current EC-6 content tests (291)	Last Day to use current content scores only for certification	Last Day to be recommended* with current content tests only
12/27/2020	12/31/2020	12/31/2020

*recommended includes candidate meeting all requirements, candidate applying for certification with payment, and educator preparation program recommending

**candidates may use scores on 291, in conjunction with a passing score on Science of Teaching Reading and a pedagogical examination for certification until the following dates

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