



## HTSB New Policy Highlights

July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013

The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board adopted these new policies and procedures between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013:

### Licensing:

- NBI 12-22 approved changes to the following Hawaii license fields and levels:
  - Change of Early Childhood, Middle Level and Secondary License Levels:
    - All current and future middle level license levels will be changed from 5-9 to 6-8;
    - All current and future secondary license levels will be changed from 7-12 to 6-12.
    - Added the Early Childhood Education level of PK-K.
  - Addition of the following P-12 Levels to Existing License Fields:
    - Hawaiian Language Immersion P-12
    - Special Education P-12
    - SPED – Deaf/Hard of Hearing P - 12
    - SPED - Mild/Moderate P – 12
    - SPED - Orientation and Mobility P-12
    - SPED - Orthopedically Handicapped P-12
    - SPED - Severe/Profound P - 12
    - Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages P-12
  - Addition of the following science fields:
    - Biology 6-12
    - Chemistry 6-12
    - Earth and Space Science 6-12
    - Environmental Science 6-12
    - Marine Science 6-12
    - Physics 6-12
  - Addition of the following social studies fields:
    - Economics 6-12
    - Geography 6-12
    - Government/Political Science 6-12
    - History 6-12
    - Psychology 6-12
    - Sociology 6-12
  - The following three fields are adopted but may only be issued to teachers who hold a current, valid Hawaii license, have three years of satisfactory teaching experience and meet any additional requirements to add a new license field:
    - Literacy Specialist
    - Online Teaching
    - Teacher Leader
- NBI 12-20 detailed implementation for the collection of fines for teaching in Hawaii public schools without an active license:
  - Effective March 1, 2013, any teacher, school librarian or school counselor holding an expired or forfeited license and practicing the profession of teaching in a Hawaii Department of Education or Charter School will be assessed a fine of \$500;
  - These licensees must pay the fine prior to renewal of their license;
  - Effective March 1, 2013, an employer of any teacher, school librarian or school counselor holding an expired or forfeited license and practicing the profession of teaching in a Hawaii Department of Education or Charter School will be assessed a fine of \$500 for each violation.

**Legislative:**

- Completed revision of the Hawaii Administrative Rules to be submitted to the Governor and Attorney General for review and projected to go to public hearing in 2013-2014;

**Teacher Standards:**

- NBI 12-32 revised license renewal forms 4010 and 5010 to comply with new teacher, school librarian and school counselor standards adopted in 2011-2012.

**Teacher Education:**

- The following decisions were approved regarding Hawaii preparation programs:
  - NBI 12-26 granted provisional approval to the Chaminade University of Honolulu Early Childhood PK-K Teacher Education Program
  - Halau Wanana Indigenous Center for Higher Learning became the first Hawaii educator preparation program to complete TEAC national review
  - University of Hawaii-West Oahu attained NCATE approval
- NBI 12-27 clarified student teaching experience in K-12 programs
  - Candidates shall be placed in student teaching settings at the appropriate grade levels and in the subjects or school roles (e.g., school counselor, school librarian) for which they are seeking a license.
  - Candidates who enter a program which leads to a K-12 or P-12 license on or after January 1, 2014 must have separate student teaching experience at every level for which they will be recommended for licensure, including:
    - Early Childhood PK-3;
    - Elementary K-6;
    - Secondary 6-12.
- NBI 12-36 approved HTSB's first Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) agreement. CAEP replaced NCATE and TEAC, the previous national accrediting bodies for teacher education providers, on July 1, 2013. CAEP review will offer the following options:
  - Unit review:
    - Continuous Improvement
    - Inquiry Brief
    - Transformation Initiative
  - Program review:
    - Specialized Professional Associations (SPA) review
    - CAEP review with feedback
- NBI 12-37 approved use of a pre-service performance assessment for use by Hawaii preparation programs.
  - Two assessments were approved:
    - edTPA, developed by Stanford and supported by AACTE
    - Educational Testing Service Pre-Service Assessment, developed by ETS
  - The implementation timeline is:
    - No later than July 1, 2016, all Hawaii Education Preparation Providers must implement a pre-service performance assessment approved by HTSB for all teacher candidates;
    - Effective July 1, 2017, candidates must pass a pre-service performance assessment approved by HTSB prior to being recommended as a program completer by their Hawaii preparation program;
    - Effective immediately, programs may use a pre-service performance assessment approved by HTSB as a component to recommend candidates for licensure using alternative routes to licensure adopted by HTSB.

**Licensure Testing:**

- NBI 12-29 approved new options for Basic Skills and Content Knowledge Verification:
  - Basic skills may be verified by one of the following options:
    - Passing scores on basic skills licensure test adopted by the Board in Reading, Writing and Mathematics; or
    - Qualifying scores on SAT Reading and Mathematics sections and passing score on PPST Writing test; or
    - Bachelor’s degree awarded by an accredited institution of higher education.
  - Content knowledge may be verified by one of the following options:
    - Passing score on licensure test adopted by the Board in the content field; or
    - National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification in the content field; or
    - Content major consisting of a minimum of thirty semester hours in the content field for a bachelor’s degree awarded by an accredited institution of higher education; or
    - A minimum of thirty semester hours in the content field from an accredited institution of higher education, at least fifteen of which must be upper division level; or
    - A master’s, specialist or doctoral degree in the license field awarded by an accredited institution of higher education.
  - Hawaii teacher, school counselor and school librarian programs may use all of these options for entry and student teaching requirements.
- NBI 12-30 approved changes to licensure testing:
  - For all test changes, the following applies:
    - Applicants may submit scores for new tests immediately or as soon as tests are available.
    - Passing scores for previously approved tests taken up to and including June 30, 2014 will be accepted.
  - The following tests are being discontinued and replaced by new tests by Educational Testing Service (ETS) in 2013-2014.

Test to be Discontinued	Replacement Test	Passing Score for New Test	Anticipated Deployment Date
Education of Young Children, test 0021/5021	Education of Young Children, test 5024	TBD	January 2014
English Language, Literature and Composition: Content Knowledge, tests 0041/5041	English Language Arts: Content Knowledge, test 5038	167	October 2014
Mathematics: Content Knowledge, tests 0061/5061	Mathematics: Content Knowledge, test 5161	160	October 2013
Middle School English Language Arts, tests 0049/5049	Middle School English Language Arts, test 5047	164	October 2013
PPST Mathematics, tests 0730/5730	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics, test 5732	150	October 2013
PPST Reading, tests 0710/5710	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading, test 5712	156	October 2013
PPST Writing, tests 0720/5720	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing, test 5722	162	October 2013

- The following ETS test is converting from a score scale of 250-990 to a score scale of 100-200. No paperwork is required for this change. The test content has not changed, only the scale. The converted passing score will be provided once the information is available. This change will be made automatically on Hawaii’s valid test list.

Test Name	Current Code	New Code	Anticipated Deployment Date
Health Education	0550/5550	5551	TBD

- These paper test titles will also be available as computer-delivered tests in 2013-2014. No adoption paperwork is required for these tests; they will be added to the Hawaii’s valid test list automatically.

Current Paper Test	Current Paper Test	New Computer Test	Anticipated Deployment Date
English to Speakers of Other Languages	0361	5361	February 2014
Special Education: Education of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students	0272	5272	April 2014
Special Education: Testing Students with	0282	5282	April 2014

Visual Impairments			
Technology Education	0051	5051	July 2014

- The following new tests are adopted effective immediately:

License Field	Test Name and Code	Passing Score
Psychology	Psychology (0391)	154
Elementary Education	Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects (5031; Subtests: 5032, 5033, 5034, 5035)	Reading & Language Arts (5032)–165  Mathematics (5033)–164  Social Studies (5034)–155  Science (5035)–159
Earth and Space Sciences 6-12	Earth and Space Sciences: Content Knowledge (0571 and 5571)	Pending receipt of standard setting report
Environmental Science	Environmental Education (0831)	156
Economics	Economics (0910)	150
Geography	Geography (0921)	Pending receipt of standard setting report
Government/Political Science	Government/Political Science (0931)	149
Sociology	Sociology (0950)	Pending receipt of standard setting report

- The following test is discontinued for use after June 30, 2014:

License Field	Test Name	Test Code
Elementary Education	Elementary Education Content Knowledge	014

### Operational:

- NBI 12-23 approved termination of the HTSB's Board Room, Suite 201B, as a cost-saving measure;
- NBI 12-39 developed the procedure and timeline for evaluation of the Executive Director;
- Hawaii Information Consortium (HIC) completed a realignment of the HTSB website to be more user friendly and completely integrated with the online licensing system;
- Added the Advanced License and Added Field applications to the online licensing system;
- Allowed licensees to make yearly payments directly to HTSB in addition to payments accepted by the online licensing system.