Submitting ACT Plus Writing or SAT Scores to Meet the Basic Skills Requirement

Beginning January 1, 2015, Educator Licensing will accept passing ACT Plus Writing and SAT scores to meet the statutory requirement for a skills exam in reading, writing and math.

In 2014 The Board of Teaching adopted the following passing scores for these exams:

**ACT Plus Writing**
Composite Score ≥ 22 and Combined English/Writing ≥ 21

**SAT**
- Reading ≥ 510
- Writing ≥ 510
- Mathematics ≥ 520

- The Minnesota Basic Skills requirement must be met by providing passing scores on one of the three test batteries (MTLE, SAT, or ACT Plus writing).
- The ACT Plus Writing must be taken as a complete exam. Those who have previously taken the standard version of the ACT must take the new ACT Plus Writing in its entirety, should they choose this option.
- Scores presented for the purpose of licensing must be the result of exams taken within the last 10 years. Scores older than 10 years will not be accepted to meet licensure requirements.
- Minnesota teacher training programs need not submit official copies of the score reports to MDE though evidence of passing scores must be retained within each candidate’s file.
- Candidates trained outside of Minnesota must provide passing scores by submitting a copy of their official score report from one of the three test batteries (MTLE, SAT, or ACT Plus Writing) to meet the requirement for a skills exam.

To register for the ACT Plus Writing:  http://www.actstudent.org/regist/

To request a score report for the ACT Plus Writing:  http://www.actstudent.org/scores/send/

To access ACT Frequently Asked Questions:  http://www.actstudent.org/faq/

To register for the SAT:  http://sat.collegeboard.org/register/sat-us-dates

To request a score report for the SAT:  http://sat.collegeboard.org/register/us-services-fees

To access SAT Frequently Asked Questions:  http://sat.collegeboard.org/about-tests/sat/faq