

As of September 2008 the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) is providing teacher candidates with an alternative to achieving qualifying scores on the Praxis I Basic Skills Tests. MSDE is now accepting qualifying scores on the SAT, GRE, and ACT tests as an option for candidates seeking initial certification. The qualifying scores are as follows:

ACT - 24  
GRE - 1000  
SAT - 1000 (Prior to April 1995)  
SAT - 1100 (After April 1995)

Documentation of qualifying scores is acceptable in the following format:

- Photocopy of examinee's scored report;
- Official transcript (college or high school) which includes the scores;
- Scores sent from the respective testing vendor to MSDE if listed as a recipient of the score; or
- Letter from the college/university Dean or Director of Teacher Education for an individual student with documentation attached.