

New Business Item 25-44

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TITLE: Adoption of Praxis Licensure Exam for Elementary Education: Math Specialist (5037)

The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board (HTSB) adopts the following Praxis exam:

License Field	Praxis Test	New Test Available	Cut Score
Elementary Education: Math Specialist (5037)	Study Companion 5037	Available Now	153

- This test is designed for beginning elementary math specialists who are both teachers and instructional leaders. The test measures the knowledge and competencies necessary for safe and effective practice. Test takers typically have experience teaching elementary math and have completed advanced preparation, such as a master's degree.
- HTSB will accept passing scores from the Praxis test 5037 mentioned above to meet the content requirements for HTSB's added field in **Elementary Education: Math Specialist K-6**.
- HTSB will notify its Educator Preparation Programs (EPPs) and the Hawai'i Department of Education (HIDOE) about the adoption of this Praxis Exam.

Rationale/Background:

The Elementary Education: Math Specialist (5037) test is designed and developed to reflect both state and national standards for preparing elementary math specialists. Specifically, it utilizes the following professional standards:

- Standards for Elementary Mathematics Specialists: A Reference for Teacher Credentialing Programs (2013): These standards were established by the Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators (AMTE).
- NCTM CAEP Standards (2012) - Elementary Mathematics Specialist (Advanced Preparation): These were developed through a partnership between the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) and the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

In addition to these professional preparation standards, the test covers mathematical content across four primary domains: Numbers and Operations, Equations and Expressions, Measurement and Geometry, and Statistics.

Currently the test registration cost for this exam is \$130.

Cost:

All costs are included in the current staff duties/responsibilities.

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