WEST-B Alternatives

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Per RCW 28A.410.220 individuals seeking admission to a state approved educator preparation program may submit evidence of a score on an assessment deemed of equal rigor by the professional educator standards board, such as the SAT or ACT, in lieu of the WEST-B. Acceptable alternative assessments and scores shall be approved and posted by the board and be no lower than the national average for that assessment as set by the professional educator standards board.

Candidates entering a Washington approved teaching preparation program may substitute a passing score on one or more sections of the SAT or ACT for the equivalent passing scores on the WEST-B. The adopted passing scores for SAT and ACT are listed below.

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- The SAT writing test was added in 2004.
- SAT Score reports prior to October 2004 will have "verbal" scores which are the critical reading scores. If the score reports are from October 1996 to September 2004, then the verbal scores are the same as the reading scores beyond 2004. You may use those scores to see if the candidate has satisfied the requirement.
- SAT scores that equal or exceed the cut scores in the table above meet the entrance criteria, regardless of when the test was taken.
- SAT October 2004 and later score reports will have critical reading, mathematics and writing scores listed if the candidate took the tests.
- All ACT scores that equal or exceed the cut scores in the table above meet the entrance criteria, regardless of when the test was taken.
- ACT Writing was added Feb. 2005 and Reading was added Oct. 1989.

If your SAT or ACT scores meet the minimum in any or all of the areas, please provide the Graduate Center with official, written verification of your scores. Examples of official verification include the following:

1. Official scores from the College Board (SAT scores)
2. Official scores from the ACT (ACT scores)

If your SAT or ACT test scores result in the waiver of one or more WEST-B subtests, please have the College Board (SAT) or the ACT submit an official score report to:

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