

Administrative Memo

Date: Thursday, December 11, 2014
To: Superintendents and Human Resource Directors
College/University Presidents, Chief Academic Officers, Deans/Program Leaders, and Assessment Directors
From: Paul Katnik, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Educator Quality
Subject: EQ-14-008 – Update – Missouri Educator Gateway Assessments

The purpose of this memo is to update you on the development and implementation of the Missouri Educator Gateway Assessments (MEGA).

Missouri Content Assessments: The State Board of Education set the Missouri Qualifying Scores for the Missouri Content Assessments on December 4, 2014. The Missouri Qualifying Score for all assessments is 220. The Missouri Content Assessments replaced the Praxis II Content Assessments on September 1, 2014. Score Reports for the candidates who have taken one or more of the new Missouri Content Assessments will be distributed by email or US Mail on December 19, 2014.

Missouri Performance Assessments:

- Missouri Pre-Service Teacher Assessment (MoPTA) – The Department is working with Educational Testing Service to develop an alternative to the use of video for Task 4. Additional details will be available in January 2015.
- Missouri School Leader Performance Assessment (MoSLPA) – The MoSLPA was launched in September. Performance data will be collected during the first year of implementation. The State Board will set a score in August 2015.
- Missouri School Counselor Performance Assessment (MoSCPA) and the Missouri Librarians Performance Assessment (MoLPA) are being piloted in Spring 2015.
- The MoSLPA, MoSCPA, and MoLPA do not require the use of video with K-12 students.

Please contact the Office of Educator Quality at (573) 751-1668 or EQPrep@dese.mo.gov if you have any questions or need any additional information.