



Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators®



### Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators® (GACE®) Newsletter

The GACE® Newsletter is intended to be a resource for Educator Preparation Program providers to gain access to all the important information and changes happening in the GACE program. The GACE Newsletter includes important dates, test and policy information, reminders about testing windows, and more. The latest GACE program information can always be found at [www.gace.ets.org](http://www.gace.ets.org).

#### Important Dates

- ETS offices will be closed for President’s Day on Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Registration for the Teacher Leadership Spring 2021 Submission Window Ends **March 11<sup>th</sup>**.
- Registration for the PASL Spring 2021 Submission Window Ends **April 2<sup>nd</sup>**.

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## PROGRAM UPDATES

### **[GACE® 2020/21 Testing Windows are available at GACE® 2020-21 Testing Windows](#)**

Contains important information about the testing windows for each test and the score reporting dates so candidates can select the testing window that best supports their schedule.

### **[Georgia Ethics Registration Quick-reference Guide](#)**

Encourage your candidates to review this guide before they register for their test, so they know how to create their account, understand the registration process, and know the information they must have to register. Candidates can view the [Georgia Ethics Registration Quick-Reference Guide \(PDF\)](#) on the GACE website.

### **[GACE Testing During Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Outbreak](#)**

Due to health and safety concerns for test takers and test center staff stemming from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, we continue to monitor and provide the most up-to-date information on test site availability and safety protocols. Please visit the [Important Updates section](#) on the GACE website for the latest information.

When testing centers close due to COVID-19, or for any other reason, ETS contacts impacted test takers as soon as possible. The nature of this outreach varies, depending on the circumstances. Here are a few examples of the procedures and outreach.

- **Testing centers that announce closures in advance of scheduled test administrations:** ETS' customer service team alerts affected test takers via email. The communication explains that a special link has been placed in their online GACE account, enabling them to reschedule the test for free.
- **Testing centers that announce closures near to the time of a scheduled test administration:** ETS' customer service team calls affected test takers, notifying them of the closure and helping them to reschedule the test for free.

Occasionally, ETS learns of a test center closure after the scheduled test administration begins. In these cases, affected test takers typically call ETS before they are notified. Once ETS learns of the closure, we immediately email information and instructions for using the special free reschedule link.

### **[Taking the Program Admission Assessment At Home](#)**

To meet the needs of students who are unable to take the GACE Program Admission Assessment (PAA) at a test center due to public health concerns, ETS is offering an at home test. The at home assessment is identical in content, format, and on-screen experience to the GACE PAA taken at a test center. With the at home testing option, test takers use their own computer at home and the test is monitored by a human proctor online through ProctorU®. "At home" testing is currently available **10 a.m.–1 a.m. ET, seven days a week**, to address the scheduling needs of test takers. To learn more about this at home option, please visit [PAA At Home](#) for additional information.

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## PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FOR SCHOOL LEADERS (PASL)

### Registration and Task Submission Dates

#### Spring 2021 Schedule

<b>Deadline</b>	<b>Date</b>
Registration Opens	August 4, 2020
Registration Closes	April 2, 2021
Reschedule Deadline	April 2, 2021
Cancellation Deadline	April 2, 2021
Task Submission Opens	January 5, 2021
Task Submission Deadline	April 13, 2021
Resubmission Registration Opens	May 12, 2021
Resubmission Registration Closes	May 26, 2021
Task Resubmission Deadline	June 2, 2021

\*All tasks are due by 2 p.m. ET on this date.

#### PASL Virtual Learning Environment

To support programs and candidates in completing the PASL assessment this year through a virtual learning environment (VLE), ETS has created support materials and information to help ensure candidate success. These resources may be accessed at [PASL VLE](#).

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## GACE TEACHER LEADERSHIP ASSESSMENT

### Spring 2021 Registration and Task Submission Window

Registration	April 3, 2020 – March 11, 2021
Submission Window	December 21, 2020 – March 18, 2021*

\*All tasks are due by 2 p.m. on this date.

#### Rescheduling a Submission Window

Test takers can reschedule in the same submission window if registration is still open, or in the next submission window when that registration opens. Note that the registration window closes earlier than the submission window. Changing a submission window incurs a \$50 rescheduling fee.

**Note:** Tasks and artifacts uploaded for the original submission window do **not** transfer automatically to the new submission window. Candidates are required to re-upload any tasks and artifacts they have previously uploaded. All tasks and artifacts must be submitted by the same deadline date.

## Resubmitting Tasks

Test takers who do not pass the assessment may resubmit any or all the six tasks. There is a \$75 resubmission fee for each task that is resubmitted.

Test takers may resubmit twice to attempt to receive a passing score. Tasks may be resubmitted in the resubmission window immediately following the original submission window, or test takers may wait until the next window. In either case, the two-resubmission limit applies. If they do not resubmit within this timeframe, they will have to register and pay to retake the assessment.

### Spring 2020 Task Resubmission Window

Registration	November 23, 2020 – December 14, 2020
Resubmission Window	November 23, 2020 – December 21, 2020*

### Spring 2020 Task Resubmission Window 2

Registration	January 22, 2021 – March 11, 2021
Resubmission Window	January 22, 2021 – March 18, 2021*

### Fall 2020 Task Resubmission Window 1

Registration	November 23, 2020 – December 14, 2020
Resubmission Window	November 23, 2020 – December 21, 2020*

### Fall 2020 Task Resubmission Window 2

Registration	January 22, 2021 – March 11, 2021
Resubmission Window	January 22, 2021 – March 18, 2021*

### Spring 2021 Task Resubmission Window 1

Registration	April 13, 2021 – May 3, 2021
Resubmission Window	April 13, 2021 – May 19, 2021*

### Spring 2021 Task Resubmission Window 2

Registration	TBD when the 2021/22 testing year is finalized
Resubmission Window	TBD when the 2021/22 testing year is finalized

\* All tasks are due by 2 p.m. ET on this date.

## Virtual Learning Environment

To support programs and candidates that will be completing the GACE Teacher Leadership Assessment through a virtual learning environment (VLE) this year, ETS has created support materials and information to ensure candidate success. These resources may be accessed at [TL VLE](#).

See [Preparation Information](#)

See [Task Requirements, Rubrics, Support Webinars, and other preparation tools](#)

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## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

[PAA online preparation materials](#) are available.

Khan Academy® Official *Praxis*® Core Prep is available at [www.khanacademy.org/prep/praxis-core](http://www.khanacademy.org/prep/praxis-core). This free, online prep resource includes diagnostic tests, instructional videos, interactive practice tests and study plans to help test takers prepare for the GACE Program Admission Assessment.

ETS customer service hours and contact information is available at [Contact Us](#).