Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) Educator Ethics Assessment – Program Entry

What is the GaPSC Educator Ethics Assessment – Program Entry?

The Georgia Educator Ethics Assessment is a training and assessment program composed of a series of modules that combine instruction and testing. The goal of the assessment is to help educators become familiar with, understand, and apply the Georgia Code of Ethics for Educators, as well as comprehend and embrace the principles of ethical decision making in an educational context.

The assessment is comprised of seven interactive modules. The modules focus on professionalism in education -in teachers' relationships with their students, their schools, and their communities -as well as on ethical understanding to guide decision making, and the specific regulations and expectations that educators face in Georgia.

How is this assessment different from other GACE assessments?

This assessment is coupled with an embedded training program that offers a "learn by doing" approach around true-to-life scenarios, including actions, dispositions, and values. Designed not only to reinforce ethical standards or "code," this tool also allows you to navigate through "real life" scenarios, deepening your understanding of obligations and situations to clarify how to avoid risk. Learning modules in the assessment are followed by end-of-module tests related to what you've learned in the modules.

Who needs to take GaPSC Educator Ethics Assessment - Program Entry?

For admission into Teacher Education, you must take and complete the Georgia Educator Ethics Assessment - Program Entry (test code 350). Although you will not receive a score, you must complete all training modules and end-of-module tests to receive credit toward program admission.

Eligibility and Registration

You must create or update your MyPSC account on the GaPSC web site Go to <u>www.GaPSC.com</u> to register or login to your account. Be sure to select *Reason for Testing #7* as your reason for testing. You will then be eligible to take Georgia Educator Ethics Assessment - Program Entry (350).

Registering for this assessment is a four-step process:

- 1. You create or update your MyPSC account on the GaPSC website (www.GaPSC.com).
- 2. The GaPSC sends your profile and eligibility information to Educational Testing Service (ETS). This step generally takes a day or two.
- 3. ETS sends you an email with a link to the Educator Ethics system.
- 4. You access the Educator Ethics assessment system, create your account, register, and pay for the assessment (\$30.00).

Note: The Georgia Educator Ethics Assessment does not use the same registration system as other GACE Assessments.

Where can I take this assessment?

You can take the assessment with your computer or tablet from home or anywhere you have Internet access. The assessment is delivered via a secure web service. After you confirm your eligibility and your information is received by ETS, you will receive an email giving you access to the Educator Ethics assessment system.

How much does it cost?

The fee is \$30.00 for the Program Entry level; the fee is nonrefundable. As a note, you will be required to complete the Educator Ethics - Program Exit assessment in order to complete your program and this assessment will cost \$30 as well.

When will my scores be available?

Scores are displayed on screen after each end-of module test and are also available through "My History" in the Educator Ethics system. Note: At the end of each end-of-module test, you will see the correct answer for each question, your response, and a rationale for the correct answer. This information is only available on this screen; it is not available in "My History" with your scores; once you leave this screen, you will not be able to see it again.

How Do I Know if I Passed?

Georgia Educator Ethics- Program Entry (350) is reported as "Completed" or "Not Completed." Although you will not receive a score, you must complete all of the training modules and end-of-module tests.

How Do I Send Scores to My Program Provider?

If you are taking the Program Entry level for program admission, you must add your program provider as a score recipient when you register or they will not receive notice that you have completed the assessment. This is important because your program provider uses this information to inform ethics instruction in the preparation program.