

How to Read Your WEST–B Score Report

General Information. This score report provides your results for the Washington Educator Skills Test—Basic® (WEST–B®). Specifically, the report includes your cumulative WEST–B status, your performance by subtest for the administration date indicated, and your testing history by subtest.

Cumulative WEST–B Status. The report provides your cumulative WEST–B status for all WEST–B subtests. Cumulative status is reported for each subtest as “Passed,” “Not Passed,” or “Not Yet Taken.” This report also provides your status with regard to the entire WEST–B requirement as “Complete” or “Not Complete.”

Subtest Scores. Results for each subtest are reported on a scale with a range of 100 to 300. A scaled score of 240 represents the minimum passing score for each subtest. Passing scores have been established by the Washington Professional Educator Standards Board based on the recommendations of a panel of Washington educators. The passing score is designed to reflect the level of knowledge required for entry-level teaching in Washington schools. Your scaled scores for the Reading and Mathematics subtests are based on the number of multiple-choice questions you answered correctly. Your scaled score for the Writing subtest is based on the number of multiple-choice questions you answered correctly combined with your scores on the writing prompts. Your status for each subtest taken on the administration date indicated on the report is listed as “Passed,” “Not Passed,” or “Not Taken.”

Testing History. This score report also indicates the highest score attained on each subtest you have taken and the test date of the highest score.

Writing Subtest Performance. The Writing subtest consists of two sections. The multiple-choice questions count for approximately 67% of the total Writing subtest score, while the writing prompts count for approximately 33% of the total Writing subtest score.

If you did not pass the Writing subtest, your scaled score for each section of the subtest is provided. Results for each section are reported on a scale with a range of 100 to 300.

Cautions. The subtest scores indicated on this report are only for the purposes of admission to state-approved teacher preparation programs and for teacher certification. They are NOT intended to be used for employment decisions, other college admissions decisions, or any other purpose. These results have been reported directly to the Washington Professional Educator Standards Board; to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, Office of Professional Education and Certification; and to any institution(s) you specified during registration and may be reported to other institutions or offices authorized or required by law to receive this information.

This score report is for your records only. Keep a copy for your permanent records.

Candidates who wish to retake a subtest may do so at a subsequent test administration. For information on registering, consult the WEST Web site at www.west.nesinc.com.

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