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TO: Members of the R.I. Board of Education

FROM: Deborah A. Gist, Commissioner 

RE: Approval of Educator Certification Test Updates

The Regents Regulations Governing the Certification of Educators in Rhode Island requires RIDE to seek Board approval to adopt new or revised certification tests and passing scores required for initial licensure. Educational Testing Service (ETS) provides most RI licensure tests and has revised six tests to ensure currency with the field. Rhode Island educators participated in validation studies for the revised tests. RIDE staff has reviewed the standard setting process and the public comment received.

- Middle School English Language Arts (5047) – Passing Score 164
- Middle School Mathematics (5169) – Passing Score 165
- English Language Arts Content Analysis (5039) – Passing Score 168
- Mathematics Content Knowledge (5161) – Passing Score 160
- School Psychologist (5402) – Passing Score 147
- Agriculture (5701) – Passing Score 147

RECOMMENDATION: THAT, the Rhode Island Board of Education approves these regenerated tests, with the recommended passing scores, as presented.