EDUCATOR PREPARATION REPORT CARD: ALABAMA

To earn an Alabama educator certificate, based on completion of a traditional approach, an applicant must complete an approved program with a prescribed grade point average (GPA) and meet assessment requirements. Current assessment requirements include a written test of pedagogical knowledge (Principles of Learning and Teaching) and a Praxis content test specific to the the teaching field or subject for which certification is sought. No exceptions are made with regard to these requirements.

New Teacher Survey: Alabama Association of Colleges for Teacher Education members developed a survey to be administered electronically to first-year teachers who, during the 2016-2017 school year, completed an Alabama State Board of Education-approved undergraduate (Class B) or alternative master's degree (Class A) program leading to their first or initial Professional Educator Certificate. A companion survey was administered electronically to the employers of those new teachers. Data provided in this report include a summary of survey categories and the percentage of new teachers who strongly agreed, agreed, disagreed, or strongly disagreed that their program prepared them to teach successfully. The data also provide the percentage of employers who rated their new teachers as teacher leader, effective teacher, emerging teacher, or ineffective teacher.

Criteria
Programs Are Approved by the Alabama State Board of Education (required)
__X__ Yes for 26 of 26
_____ No
Programs Are Accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education or the Council for Accreditation of Educator Providers (voluntary)
__X__ Yes for 20 of 26
_____ No for 6 of 26
Certificates Earned
2,452 Class B
458 Alternative Class A

Performance on Written Tests Required for Initial Certification [* = fewer than 5 and thus too few to report]	Bachelor's Degree Level Programs					Master's Degree Level Programs			
	Number of Test Takers	Passed First Attempt	Passed Second Attempt	Three or More Attempts		Number of Test Takers	Passed First Attempt	Passed Second Attempt	Three or More Attempts
Principles of Learning and Teaching									
Career & Technical Education	24	21	1	2		11	10	0	1
Early Childhood Education	352	348	4	0		46	46	0	0
Elementary Education	1049	1036	11	2		91	88	3	0
English Language Arts	128	117	8	9		51	50	1	0
Health/Physical Education	139	120	10	9		18	16	2	0
Languages Other Than English	9	9	0	0		5	4	1	0
Mathematics	72	70	2	0		32	31	0	1
Performing Arts	107	97	8	2		*			
Sciences	34	33	1	0		55	54	1	0
Social Studies	107	99	7	1		57	53	3	1
Special Education	398	387	8	3		79	77	3	0
Praxis Content Tests for Majors Usually Taught in the College/School of Education									
Early Childhood Education	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
Teaching of Reading	365	319	32	14		49	47	1	1
Early Childhood Education	362	344	13	5		38	38	0	0
Elementary Education	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
Teaching of Reading	1060	909	98	53		95	84	6	5
Multiple Subjects - Reading	1039	767	146	126		67	53	8	6
Health/Physical Education	142	129	9	4		18	16	2	0
Special Education	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
Core Knowledge/Application	398	382	13	3		79	74	5	0
Early Childhood Education	72	72	0	0		9	9	0	0
Multiple Subjects - Reading	332	240	56	36		51	41	6	4

Praxis Content Tests for Majors NOT Usually Taught in the College School of Education									
Career & Technical Education	20	13	2	5		11	9	2	0
Elementary Education	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
Multiple Subjects - Mathematics	1039	795	137	107		67	47	8	12
Multiple Subjects - Social Studies	1039	825	125	89		67	59	4	4
Multiple Subjects - Science	1039	790	148	101		67	59	7	1
English Language Arts	128	124	2	2		52	48	3	1
Languages Other Than English	9	6	2	1		5	3	1	1
Mathematics	73	39	9	25		33	19	4	10
Performing Arts	107	96	6	5		*			
Sciences	34	28	2	4		57	43	8	6
Social Studies	114	88	10	16		57	50	1	6
Special Education	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
Multiple Subjects - Mathematics	332	268	44	20		51	26	11	14
Multiple Subjects - Social Studies	332	277	39	16		51	43	6	2
Multiple Subjects - Science	332	266	42	24		51	45	4	2
Nationally Recognized or Accredited Programs: See report for each institution.									