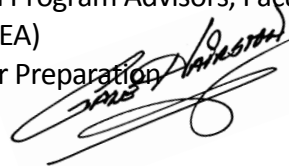


To: Candidates, Parents, and Educator Preparation Program Advisors, Faculty, and Leaders  
Topic: Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA)  
From: Gale "Hap" Hairston, Ed.D. – Director, Educator Preparation  
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The purpose of this memo is to update students, parents, and educator preparation programs on changes in the Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA) beginning on August 31, 2015.

**Missouri General Education Assessments (MoGEA):** In June 2014, representatives from PK-12 schools and educator preparation programs recommended changes to MoGEA. The Department has worked with stakeholders to revise the MoGEA and implement the following changes beginning with the new testing year on August 31, 2015.

- What are the major changes in the MoGEA?
  - Number of Subtests – The MoGEA originally had five subtests (English/Language Arts, Writing, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies). The revised MoGEA includes a combined Science and Social Studies.
  - Additional Time – The amount of time for the Reading Comprehension & Interpretation and Mathematics subtests has been increased from 60 to 75 minutes.
  - Test Code Changes – The MoGEA test codes have also changed. Please note the new codes on the second page.
- Passing Status for Tests Taken Before August 31, 2015 – Candidates will be able to carry their MoGEA passing scores forward with the exception of Science and/or Social Studies. Beginning August 31, 2015 candidates who had not passed both of the individual MoGEA Science and Social Studies subtests will need to pass the new combined Science and Social Studies subtest.
- New Framework & Preparation Materials –  
[http://www.mo.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML\\_FRAG/MO066\\_TestPage.html](http://www.mo.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/MO066_TestPage.html)
- Test Score & Reporting Results – Preparation programs will be setting new qualifying scores for each of the four subtests. Recommendations for qualifying scores will be presented to educator preparation programs in mid-November. **Score reports will be available to candidates in mid-December.**

A special thanks is extended to our PK-12 schools, educator preparation programs, professional education associations, the testing centers, and Evaluation Systems group of Pearson for their assistance in reviewing and revising the MoGEA.

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**What are the differences?** The outline below illustrates the differences in structure and content of the current and revised MoGEA. Please note the changes in test codes and the competencies assessed in each subtest. The complete framework is available on the Pearson Website:

[http://www.mo.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML\\_FRAG/MO066\\_TestPage.html](http://www.mo.nesinc.com/TestView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/MO066_TestPage.html).

**Current MoGEA**  
**Ending on August 30, 2015**

Code #001 English Language Arts  
 0001 Comprehension and Analysis of Text  
 0002 Informational and Persuasive Text  
 0003 Literary Text  
 0004 Oral Communication and Public Speaking

Code #002 Writing  
 0005 Writing Assignment

Code #003 Mathematics  
 0006 Numbers and Algebra  
 0007 Measurement and Geometry  
 0008 Probability and Statistics

Code #004 Science  
 0009 The Nature and Practice of Science  
 0010 Biology and Chemistry  
 0011 Physics, Geology, and Astronomy

Code #005 Social Studies  
 0012 Inquiry and Literacy Skills  
 0013 History, Geography, Culture, and Society  
 0014 Government, Civics, and Economics

**MoGEA**  
**Beginning on August 31, 2015**

Code #066 Reading Comprehensions and Interpretation  
 0001 Literal Comprehension  
 0002 Inference and Interpretation  
 0003 Critical Reasoning and Evaluation

Code #067 Writing  
 0004 Writing Assignment

Code #068 Mathematics  
 0005 Numbers and Algebra  
 0006 Measurement and Geometry  
 0007 Probability and Data Analysis

Code #069 Science & Social Studies  
 0008 Fundamental Scientific Concepts  
 0009 Science Inquiry and Literacy Skills  
 0010 Fundamental Social Studies Concepts  
 0011 Social Studies Inquiry and Literacy Skills

Test Specifications for the Missouri General Education Assessment					
MoGEA Ending August 30, 2015			MoGEA Beginning August 31, 2015		
# of Questions	Amount of Time	Individual Subtests		# of Questions	Amount of Time
40	60 Minutes	English/LA	Reading	39	75 Minutes
1 Prompt	60 Minutes	Writing		1 Prompt	60 Minutes
40	60 Minutes	Mathematics		40	75 Minutes
40	60 Minutes	Science	Science &	40	60 Minutes
40	60 Minutes	So Studies	So Studies		
A Total of 5 Hours with 2 Breaks		Total Testing Time		A Total of 4.5 Hours with 1 Break	
<b>Note:</b> Candidates have the option to schedule times to take individual subtests, combinations of subtests and/or the complete set.					