Guidelines for Individuals Completing an Illinois Educator Preparation Program

Prior to Admission

- If required by your institution, pass the Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP-400) or the previous Basic Skills Test **or**
- Have an ACT plus writing composite score of 22 or better **or**
- Have passed the SAT with a score of 1030 (critical reading and mathematics) or better

Enroll in a Educator Preparation Program

- Fully admitted to educator preparation program (*Directory of Approved Programs for the Preparation of Educational Personnel in Illinois Institutions of Higher Education:* http://www.isbe.net/profprep/PDFs/directory.pdf)
- Pass all teacher education coursework requirements with a grade of C or better

Prior to Student Teaching

- Pass the content test for the area of endorsement: http://www.il.nesinc.com/
- Pass one of the acceptable tests of basic skills (see above) if not required earlier by your institution

Student Teaching

- Starting September 1, 2015, all teacher preparation candidates must pass the edTPA (Teacher Performance Assessment) http://www.il.nesinc.com/

Prior to Entitlement by the Educator Preparation Program

- Pass the APT (Assessment of Professional Teaching) http://www.il.nesinc.com/

Application

- Apply for licensure by clicking the pending entitlement notification on your ELIS home screen: http://www.isbe.net/ELIS/default.htm.