

# 2021 APPEL Admission Requirements Overview

Detailed information can be found in the 2020 APPEL Participant Handbook

## Step 1: Meet Minimum Admission Requirements

### How To:

- Secure transcripts
- Find testing information
- Secure recommendation letters
- Find background check information
- Complete the application

## Bachelor's Degree Conferred

- Contact Registrars' office
- Request transcript sent to APPEL electronically or mailed to applicant
- Must be sent electronically directly to ADE or if mailed, remain sealed

## Passing Score Praxis Subject Assessment

- Must pass for the subject/grade level
- Go to [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org), click Praxis and go to Arkansas page
- On the Arkansas page click Testing Requirements

## Two Letters of Professional Recommendation

- Can be a former employer, or someone in the community with whom you've served in an official capacity
- Will be sent to the applicant from the writer, must be signed w contact info included in letter

## Clear Criminal Background Checks

- Must clear all background checks
- Must be cleared BEFORE August 1, 2021
- Must have cleared AFTER August 1, 2020
- [arkansased.gov](http://arkansased.gov) search Background Checks

## Complete Online Application

- Meet admission requirements
- Go to [arkansased.gov](http://arkansased.gov) Search APPEL
- Under Related Links click Online Application
- Transcript, scores and background checks should be submitted electronically

## Step 2: Weighted Criteria

In addition to meeting the above minimum requirements, the applicant must also score 30 points or higher on the weighted criteria.

Teaching experience must be documented by uploading resume' to application with contact information of employer available for verification.

|   | Points               |
|---|----------------------|
| Degree from nationally/regionally accredited IHE  |                      |
| Terminal Degree (PhD, EdD, MD, etc.)  | 15                   |
| Master's Degree   | 12                   |
| Bachelor's Degree   | 10                   |
| Undergraduate or Graduate GPA (highest degree)  |                      |
| 3.5 or higher   | 15                   |
| 3.0-3.49  | 12                   |
| 2.7-2.99  | 10                   |
| 2.5-2.69 (or 2.9 in the last 60 hours)  | 8                    |
| <b>Admission Test</b>   |                      |
| Meet approved threshold on Admission Test (Praxis CORE, GRE, MCAT, LSAT, Miller Analogies Test, GMAT, PCAT) see Chart 1 in Handbook | 10                   |
| <b>Course Grades</b>  |                      |
| B or better in the following: English Comp I, English Comp II, and College Algebra (or higher)                                      | 3 each or 10 for all |
| <b>Teaching Experience</b>  |                      |
| 3 or more years teaching experience in a public or accredited K-12 private school   | 10                   |
| 1 to 3 years teaching experience in a public or accredited K-12 private school  | 5                    |
| <b>Interview</b>  |                      |
| Interview, if needed. See Interview Rubric in Handbook.   | 5                    |

- Upload Letters of Recommendation
- Upload Admission Test score report, if applicable
- Upload Resume', if applicable
- Interview will be scheduled, if applicable
- Complete and submit application

## General Timelines

Applications accepted March 1 to May 28, 2021 for June admission to July 2, 2021 for July admission

Test(s) should be taken prior to May 15, 2021 for scores to be back in time to upload to application

Letters must be uploaded at time of application, secure these prior to applying online

Pay attention to the above dates for background checks

No applications accepted for past the May 28, 2021 or July 2, 2021 deadlines