

## Key Assessment #1 - Michigan Test for Teacher Certification

### 1-1. Brief description of the assessment and its use in the program.

The MTTC helps to ensure that individuals seeking certification have the basic skills and content knowledge to perform effectively in Michigan schools. The Basic Skills test has the Reading Mathematics and Writing sections. All candidates must take and pass the MTTC Basic Skills test before admittance to the teacher preparation program. All candidates must take and pass the MTTC Subject Area test prior to completing the Teacher Preparation Program. All candidates in the state of Michigan must pass these tests with a minimum score of 220.

### 1-2. Description of how this assessment specifically aligns with the standards.

Andrews University does not claim that the examination covers the NCTE standards in depth; however, as the chart demonstrates below, the University acknowledges that the exam broadly covers the NCTE standards.

MTTC Basic Skills Sections	NCTE Standards
Reading	3.1, 3.2, 3.3
Writing	3.4

Assessment #1 aligns with NCTE standards which assess a candidate's knowledge of, and skills in the use of the English language (3.1); knowledge of the practices of oral, visual, and written literacy (3.2); knowledge of reading processes (3.3); and knowledge of different composing processes (3.4).

### 1-3. Brief analysis of the data findings (See Chart in 1-5c).

For the school year 2007-2008, the percentage of candidates who passed the MTTC Basic Skills Exam was 94%. For the school year, 2008-2009, the passing rate was 91%, and for 2009-2010, the passing rate was 96%. For the school years 2007-2010, the percentage of candidates who passed the Michigan Subject Area Exam – Language Arts (Cumulative) was 100%.

### 1-4. Interpretation of how the data provides evidence for meeting standards.

The 2007-2010 MTTC data show Andrews University elementary education candidates for each year passing the Basic Skills Exam with pass rates between 91% and 94%. The data for 2007-2010 Subject Area Exam - Language Arts (Cumulative) show a pass rate of 100% for Andrews University elementary education candidates. The data provide evidence of candidates' meeting the Standards 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, and 3.4.

### 1-5a. Assessment tool or a rich description of the assessment.

Certification test data is submitted as Assessment #1.

### 1-5b. Scoring guide for the assessment.

Certification test data is submitted as Assessment #1.

### 1-5c. Charts of candidate data derived from the assessment.

MTTC Basic Skills Exam

Data Type	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010
Number taking MTTC Basic Skills Exam	36	35	26
Number Passing MTTC Basic Skills Exam	34	32	25
% passing MTTC Basic Skills Exam	94%	91%	96%

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Michigan Subject Area Exam - Language Arts Subject Area Test

	Andrews University					State of Michigan				
	Initial			Cumulative		Initial			Cumulative	
	n	n pass	% pass	n pass	% pass	n	n pass	% pass	N pass	% pass
Sep2007 - Aug2010	15	12	80.0	15	100.0	2,873	2,001	69.6	2,316	80.6