

Parapro Test FAQs

1. What are the minimum requirements to apply for paraeducator (EA) position?
 - a. *Forty-eight semester credits of 100 or higher level courses from a regionally accredited institution of higher education recognized by the Hawaii Department of Education. The 48 credits may be from various program or academic subject areas. In addition, 6 of the 48 credits must have been for math and English courses at the 100 level or higher. Or,*
 - b. *An Associate in Arts (AA) or Science (AS) degree from a regionally accredited institution recognized by the Hawaii Department of Education. The credits earned for the degree must have been for courses that are 100 level or higher.*
 - c. ***A certificate with a minimum score of 459 on the ParaPro Assessment provided by the Educational Testing Service (ETS).***

2. How do I study for the Parapro Test?
 - a. *Parapro Assessment Study Guide*
 - i. *Purchase to download study guide, ets.org/parapro*
 - ii. *Borrow from public library*
 - b. *Sample 15 question test, ets.org/parapro*

3. What do I do if I need accommodations, i.e., extended time, ELL?
 - a. *Parapro Assessment Bulletin*
 - b. *Call: toll free 1-866-387-8602*
 - c. *Test taker will apply with Accommodations Dept. , Accommodations Dept. will notify test center of accommodations and instructions.*

4. Who/when do I get official results from the Parapro test?

ETS will mail to the home, official results 2-3 weeks after the test.

5. What happens if I misplace my official Parapro Test results?

Call 1-800-772-9476, Monday-Friday, 8:00 am -7:45 pm, EST
There will be a fee for additional score reports.

6. What are my next steps after passing the parapro test?

Apply online: www.hawaiipublicschools.org
Must be at least 18 years of age to apply

7. Who/where do I call if I have questions regarding how to apply or about my application to DOE?

Classified/Support Services Personnel Recruitment: 808-441-8411

8. Are calculators allowed in the test?

No calculators

9. How long is the test and do I need to stay the whole time?

The test is 2 ½ hours long, however, test taker may leave as soon as test is complete.

10. What's included in the test?

Reading – comprehension

Writing – grammar, punctuation, word usage, spelling, verb tense, etc.

Math – up to pre-algebra

11. When is the next Parapro Test and how do I register?

a. Beginning November 1, 2014, administering of the Parapro Test will fall under Community School for Adults (McKinley CSA & Waipahu CSA).

b. Contact the following for more information on test date and registration procedures:

i. McKinley CSA-McKinley Campus: Faye Furukawa (VP) 808-594-0540

*ii. McKinley CSA-Kauai Campus: Lance Jyo (VP) 808-274-3390
or 808-837-8466*

iii. McKinley CSA-Maui Campus: Kurt Ginoza (VP) 808-873-3082

c. Waipahu

i. Waipahu CSA-Gordon Lum (VP) 808-528-9577

ii. Wahiawa CSA-Corinne Fujieda (VP) 808-305-3200

iii. Windward CSA-Mark Tanji (VP) 808-254-7955

iv. Hilo CSA-Chad Okinaka (VP) 808-974-4100

12. How much does it cost to take the test?

a. McKinley: A fee of \$70.00 (to include a \$20.00 enrollment fee) will be assessed at the time of registration.

b. Waipahu: A fee of \$70.00 (to include a \$20.00 enrollment fee) will be assessed at the time of registration.

13. Is there a refund if I don't pass the test or if I am not able to attend?

a. McKinley: Test fee is non-refundable

b. Waipahu: Test fee is non-refundable