**Assessment of Professional Teaching (APT 188) Fact Sheet**

**What is the Assessment of Professional Teaching (APT 188)?**

The APT 188 assesses candidates on the Pre K-Grade 12 Illinois Professional Teaching Standards (IPTS) and the language arts and technology standards for all teachers. Please visit the Illinois Licensure Testing System’s website to view the test framework for the APT test. You may also view ISBE’s Administrative Rules Part 24 Standards for all Teachers.

**Who must take this test?**

The following individuals must pass the APT 188 in addition to the Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP) and the applicable content-area test(s).

- Candidates completing approved teacher preparation programs in the state of Illinois;
- Candidates who hold Illinois certification and are seeking a new endorsement which covers a different age range than the credential held. For example, an individual who holds a Professional Educator License endorsed in Elementary Education and applies for a Secondary 9-12 endorsement in History is required to take the APT 188 because the elementary education endorsement does not cover the grade range of the new History endorsement. (Exception: If the candidate took an APT: that covered the grade range of the new endorsement, he/she does not need to retake the test).
- All candidates from out-of-state making application for their first Illinois teaching license.

**When must one take the APT 188?**

One must pass the APT in order to complete an approved teacher preparation program in Illinois. Out-of-state applicants must pass the APT in order to receive a Professional Educator License. Out-of-State applicants may receive an Educator License with Stipulations endorsed as a provisional educator with the APT listed as a deficiency.

**Where can one find more information about the APT?**

Registration information, test framework and study guide can be found at www.icts.nesinc.com.