1. **Description of the Assessment and Its Use in the Program**

Key Licensure Assessment #8 is an Educational Testing Service (ETS) test required by the State Board of Education of Ohio. The test assesses four areas: (a) Students as Learners: student development and the learning process, students as diverse learners, and student motivation and the learning environment; (b) Instruction and Assessment: instructional strategies; planning instruction, and assessment strategies; (c) **Teacher Professionalism: reflective practitioner and the larger community**; and (d) Communication Techniques: basic, effective verbal and nonverbal communication techniques; effect of cultural and gender differences on communications in the classroom; and types of communications and interactions that can stimulate discussion in different ways for particular purposes. *For purposes of Key Licensure Assessment #8, interest is only on the Teacher Professionalism categories of the test.*

In order to (a) exit the licensure program at Gateway 3 and (b) be recommended to the Ohio Department of Education for licensure, a candidate must meet one of the following conditions:

(1) Raw Points Earned for the Teacher Professionalism (multiple-choice questions) test category plus Raw Points Earned for the Teacher Professionalism (case history/short-answer questions) test category divided by the total Raw Points Available for both test categories must be equal to or greater than 60 percent

**OR**

(2) Raw Points Earned for the Teacher Professionalism (multiple-choice questions) test category must fall with Average Performance Range and Raw Points Earned for the Teacher Professionalism (case history/short-answer questions) test category must fall within Average Performance Range.

2. **Description of How the Assessment Specifically Aligns with the Association of Middle Level Education (AMLE) Standards (2001)**

The following elements of the AMLE standards are evaluated through this key licensure assessment.

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3. **Assessment Instrument**

The *Praxis II Principles of Learning and Teaching Test: Grades 5-9* assessment (#0523) is a two-hour test. The test consists of 12 short-answer questions and 24 multiple-choice questions. The test is administered through and graded by Educational Testing Service (ETS).

4. **Scoring Guide**

The Institution is unable to provide the scoring guide for the assessment since the *Praxis II Principles of Learning and Teaching Test: Grades 5-9* is the property of Educational Testing Service (ETS).