

CERTIFICATION RULES CHANGES – JULY 2020

CHANGES BASED ON UPDATES TO STATE STATUTE	
Military Spouse	Update rules from military spouse to military personnel and spouses
	Removed requirement for application fee
	Changed a provisional certificate for military to a temporary military certificate
Inactive Certificate and Interim Certificate	<p>Creates an inactive certificate which allows applicants, not employed as an educator, to receive an inactive certificate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have a valid certificate • \$25 for a 5-year certificate • Complete an approved suicide training to renew certificate • To reactivate certificate must complete previous renewal requirements for certificate type • May request a one-year interim certificate to complete renewal requirements when returning to active certificate
Reinstatement of Invalid Educator Certificate	Changes renewal requirements for an invalid certificate from an increased requirement of 6 transcribed credits to a \$100 fee, plus renewal requirements in place prior to certificate becoming invalid.

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Definitions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update Board of Education to Board of Education Standards • Define secretary to include the Secretary of the Department of Education or the Secretary’s designee • Update the definition of transcribed credits to identify credits are on a semester system • Define Teacher of Record • Define Long-term Substitute
Clean-up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repeal rules that have been updated and are no longer valid • Update misspellings and other grammatical errors
Certificate required	Clarify when a certificate for a teaching assignment is required
Driver’s Education Permit	Update drivers license rules to allow an applicant with a valid out-of-state license to be eligible for this permit
CTE Instructor Permit	The CTE Instructor Permit has requirements that must be met within the first three years of the permit. Clarify rules to allow for first permit to be three years and subsequent renewal permits for 5 years.
Library Science Permit	Create a new permit for non-educator with a Master’s degree in library science to receive this permit following passage of pedagogy and content test. Applicant must have a mentor for the first two years of employment and may be employed as a school librarian.
Suicide Awareness Training	Applicants applying for an Alternative Preliminary certificate followed by Alternative Certification are not required to complete a second approved suicide awareness training if an approved training was submitted within one year.
State-approved Mentor Program	Applicants for alternative certification must receive training through a mentor program. This can include the state mentor program, district approved mentor program, or a district mentor program.
CTE Alternative Certification Route	Update CTE alternative certification rules to reflect applicants can complete required coursework in three years instead of first two years in the program. Also clarify adolescent psychology is a 3-credit course.
Special Education Alternative Certification	Clarify an applicant for SPED Alternative Certification must be employed as a SPED teacher to be eligible for this route.
Administrator Alternative Certification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarify applicants may not complete the Superintendent and K-12 Principal Alternative Certification programs at the same time. • Update requirement for completion of state-designated test from the first year to any time prior to completion of the program.
Coursework	Applicants requesting endorsements/certification based on coursework must have completed the coursework within the previous 10-years of the application.