Valid Credentials: General Rules

Introduction

This document is designed to assist districts in implementing the requirements and in ensuring that PreK-12 educators are assigned to classes they are validly credentialed to teach. It identifies the credentials required for teaching specific courses. Teachers are to hold one of the credentials identified in this document for each course they teach.

Elementary Credentials

Courses in the elementary grade range, other than PE, do not appear in this document, because a general rule for elementary credentials applies to all such courses. The general rule for elementary credentials (i.e., Kindergarten-Primary (KP), Kindergarten-Elementary (KE), Elementary (EL), Early Childhood (EC), endorsements extending the grade range of EC credentials) allows the teachers who hold these credentials to teach any course within the relevant grade range. An exception to this rule is for those initially hired on or after July 1, 2013, to teach physical education. These teachers must be licensed in PE and are included in this document.

Community School Courses

Courses that are taught at a community school, with the exception of special education courses, can be taught by an educator who holds any issued teaching credential other than a Short Term Substitute license.

Special Education

For courses with student populations SE or SP, any teacher holding an education of the handicapped certificate (EH) or an intervention specialist license (IL or ES) can teach students—at the grade levels for which the teacher is certificated or licensed—with any disability.*

*Exceptions:

- Any SE or SP course that is comprised of all hearing impaired students must be taught by someone certificated or licensed to teach hearing impaired students. This includes the following:
 - EH 196010, 196015, 196070 (grades K-12)
 - IL 196116 (grades P-12)
- 2. Any SE or SP course that is comprised of all visually impaired students must be taught by someone certificated or licensed to teach visually impaired students. This includes the following:
 - EH 196110 (grades K-12)
 - IL 196109 (grades P-12)

SUBJECT	CREDENTIAL	TEACHING FIELD/ENDORSEMENT	ADDITIONAL TEACHING FIELD/ENDORSEMENT	GRADES
250510 - CBI Language Arts	VO - Vocational Education	049801 - Owa-English		
	VO - Vocational Education	179801 - Owe-English		
250519 - CBI Reading	VO - Vocational Education	049802 - Owa-Reading		
	VO - Vocational Education	179804 - Owe-Reading		
251110 - CBI Mathematics	VO - Vocational Education	179800 - Owe-Math		
	VO - Vocational Education	049800 - Owa-Math		
251310 - CBI Science	VO - Vocational Education	049810 - Owa - Science		
	VO - Vocational Education	179805 - Owe-Science		
251510 - CBI Social Studies	VO - Vocational Education	179803 - Owe Social Studies		
	VO - Vocational Education	049812 - Owa-Social Studies		
252525 - Career Based Intervention	AA - Any Standard Certificate/License	600100 - Career-Based Intervention		7 - 12
	VO - Vocational Education	179999 - Occupational Work Exper		
	VO - Vocational Education	179998 - Occupational Lab		
	VO - Vocational Education	049998 - Occuptnl Work Ad		

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