Properly Certified Teachers Requirements for Community Schools

Beginning October 17, 2019, community schools will no longer be required to meet the proper certification or licensure requirements under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 3319.074.¹ HB 166 of the 133rd General Assembly removed this requirement from community schools.

Teachers in community schools will still need to hold a teaching license in accordance with ORC 3314.03(A)(10). Appropriate teaching licenses include professional licenses, resident educator licenses, alternative licenses, supplemental licenses, and substitute licenses issued under ORC 3319.226 or long-term substitute licenses. Additionally, educational aides will still need to hold an educational aide permit.

Special education personnel in community schools, including intervention specialists and related services personnel, must meet necessary certification and licensure requirements as outlined in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3301-24, Ohio's Operating Standards for Children with Disabilities², and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

For information regarding the requirements under ORC 3319.074 that remain in effect until the effective date of H.B. 166, please refer to the guidance provided on the <u>department website</u>.

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¹ ORC 3319.074 omitted from ORC 3314.03(A)(11)(d)

² OAC 3301-51