

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
Consent Agenda
October 21, 2021

DIVISION OF EDUCATOR LICENSURE
DIVISION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

- O. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise Miss. Admin. Code 7 – 4: Part 4: Licensure Guidelines K-12 to require all initial Special Education licensure candidates to earn a passing score on a rigorous test of scientifically research-based reading instruction, interventions, and data-based decision-making principles as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development

Background Information: On September 10, 2021, the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development (Licensure Commission) granted approval to require all candidates seeking to obtain initial licensure in the area of Special Education to earn a passing score on a rigorous test of scientifically research-based reading instruction, interventions, and data-based decision-making principles as approved by the State Board of Education (i.e., Foundations of Reading). If approved, this new test requirement will be in effect with licensure applications received beginning January 1, 2023 and thereafter. Full documents pertaining to the new licensure requirement are available upon request. The Divisions of Educator Licensure and Special Education are requesting consideration for approval as recommended by the Licensure Commission.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

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185	Chemistry (7-12)
153	Child Development* (PreK-K)
933	Computer Science** (7-12)
193	Economics (7-12)
119	English (7-12)
177	English as a Second Languages (K-12)
130	French (K-12)
132	Chinese (Mandarin) (K-12)
156	Geometry (7-12)
134	German (K-12)
143	Health Education (K-12)
208	Hearing Disability (K-12)
322	Home Economics (7-12)
135	Latin (K-12)
440	Library/Media (K-12)
318	Marketing (7-12)
154	Mathematics (7-12)
901	Mathematics (7-8)
902	Language Arts (7-8)
903	Social Studies (7-8)
904	Science (7-8)
166	Music Education (K-12)
144	Physical Education (K-12)
189	Physics (7-12)
192	Social Studies (7-12)
140	Spanish (K-12)
<u>221</u>	<u>Special Education (Mild/Moderate K-12) and Foundations of Reading Assessment</u>
910	Special Education Fundamental Subjects
196	Speech Communications (7-12)
218	Visually Impaired (K-12)

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114	Driver Education (7-12)
143	Health Education (K12)
146	Wellness and Physical Activity (K-6)
150	Nursery-Grade 1 (N-1)
154	Mathematics (7-12)
174	Reading (K-12)
177	English as a Second Language (K-12)
182	Physical Science (7-12)
193	Economics (7-12)
206	Emotional Disability (K-12)
207	Gifted (K-12)
208	Hearing Impaired (K-12)
218	Visually Impaired (K-12)
<u>221</u>	<u>Mild/Moderate Disability (K-12) and Foundations of Reading Assessment</u>
222	Severe Disability (K-12) added to 221 only
223	Mild/Moderate Disability (K-8) added to elem. only
224	Mild/Moderate Disability (7-12) added to secondary or special subject license only
314	Career Technical Guidance (added only to 436)
405	Business Management (7-12)
411	Business Technology (7-12)
440	Library/Media (K-12)
901	Mathematics (7-8)
931	Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) (K-12)

The following may be added by completion of MDE-approved Math & Science Partnerships

Added to Elementary or Special Education licenses only:

901 or 905 Math (7-8) 904 or 908 Science (7-8)

The following may be added by completion of MDE-approved Southern Regional Education Board (SREB)

Course: 929 – SREB Math Ready (7-12); 930 – SREB Literacy Ready (7-12)

The following may be added to a valid standard license only by completion of MDE-approved CTE program

937 – Computer Science (K-6); 933 – Computer Science (7-12); 935 – Exploring Computer Science* (7-12) (added to 933 Computer Science (7-12) Only); 983 – Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics* (7-12) (added to 933 Computer Science (7-12) Only)

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The following may be added to a valid standard license by completion of MDE-approved Mississippi Council on Economic Education (MCEE) Course: 193 – Economics (7-12); 941 – Personal Finance (7-12); 942 – College and Career Readiness (7-12)

**APPENDIX H
ALTERNATE ROUTE TEACHER LICENSURE PROGRAMS
Master of Arts in Teaching**

Subject Areas of Licensure & Praxis II Specialty Area Test Codes	Art-5134, Biology-5235, Business-5101, Chemistry-5245, Chinese-5665, ***Computer Science-5652, Economics-0911, English-5038, French-5174, German-5183, Health- 5551, Home Economics-5122, Latin-5601, Library Media-5311, Music-5113, Marketing-5561, Math-5161, Physics-5265, Physical Education-5091, Social Studies-5081, Spanish-5195, *+Special Education-5354 , Speech Communications-5221, +Elementary Education (4-6)-5018
Program Entrance Requirements	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bachelor’s degree from a regionally/nationally accredited institution of higher learning Twenty-one (21) ACT (or SAT equivalent) or achieve a qualifying passing score on the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators examination as established by the State Board of Education; and 2. Praxis II (Specialty Area Test); and 3. +Foundations of Reading Assessment (<i>applicable to Elementary Education (4-6) and Special Education (K-12) only:</i> http://www.ms.nesinc.com/)
Requirements for Three Year Alternate Route License	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete six (6) hours pre-teaching course requirements from an approved Master of Arts in Teaching program 2. Program Completion Verification <i>MAT Program offers a three-year alternate route license.</i>
Location and Contact Information	<p>Alcorn State University Belhaven College Delta State University Jackson State University Mississippi College Mississippi Valley State University University of Mississippi (<i>Grades 4-6 not offered</i>) William Carey University Mississippi State University University of Southern Mississippi (<i>Grades 4-6 not offered</i>) Mississippi University for Women (<i>Grades 4-6 not offered</i>) Tougaloo College</p> <p><i>*William Carey University and Mississippi State University are the only locations approved to offer Special Education.</i> <i>***Mississippi State University is the only location approved to offer Computer Science.</i> For contact information see Appendix F</p>
Requirements for Five Year Alternate Route License	Complete six (6) semester hours including the internship prescribed by the participating institution
Fees	Colleges charge normal fees for 12 semester hours
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