

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER
Summary of the State Board of Education Agenda Item
Consent Agenda
February 21, 2019

DIVISION OF EDUCATOR LICENSURE

- J. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise Career Pathway licensure option 912 Law and Public Safety and to add a definition to Special Notes and Definitions page to clarify reference to “related field”

Background Information: On January 11, 2019, the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education and Licensure and Development granted the Office of Secondary Education approval to revise one Career and Technical Education (CTE) Career Pathway educator licensure endorsement area to become effective Academic Year 2018 – 2019 and to add a definition to become effective immediately. The proposals are as follows:

A. Endorsement 912 Career Pathway: Law and Public Safety

The Office of Secondary Education is requesting approval to revise the educational requirement. Currently, a prospective educator is required to have earned a two – year degree or higher from an accredited institution of higher education in Criminal Justice, Emergency Medicine, Political Science, Social Studies, or an appropriate, related field approved by the MDE program coordinator. We would like to add specialized training along with a conferred two – year degree or higher in any field.

B. Definition

The Office of Secondary Education is requesting approval to add a definition for an appropriate, related field approved by the MDE program coordinator to the Special Notes and Definitions page and to each CTE licensure endorsement area where the language appears in the official guidelines.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

912 Career Pathway: Law and Public Safety

This endorsement licenses a person to teach the following secondary courses:

- 990101 Law and Public Safety I
- 990102 Law and Public Safety II
- 990103 History of Law and Legal Systems
- 990104 Emergency Services and Corrections
- 990105 Topics in Law and Public Safety
- 990106 Emergency Management and Military Professions

Minimum Requirements for this Endorsement:

1. Education

- Applicant must have earned a two-year college degree (associate degree) or higher from an accredited institution of higher education. The degree must be in Criminal Justice, Emergency Medicine (EMC), Political Science, Social Science, or a two-year college degree or higher with documented completion of law enforcement training, emergency medicine training, fire academy training, or military training, or twenty-one (21) hours of acceptable coursework with an earned grade of "C" or higher in the subject area to be taught. ~~or an appropriate, related field approved by the MDE program coordinator.~~

2. Technology Literacy and Related Assessment of that Competency

- Applicant must validate technology competency by attaining the established minimum score or higher on an assessment approved by the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE). The assessment must be directly related to technology competency required by the grade level and subject matter being taught. Approved assessments for this license are IC3 or other approved MDE substitute.

3. Occupational Experience and Related Assessment of that Experience

- Applicants with an associate degree must have at least three years of verifiable occupational experience in the past ten years. Experience must be appropriate to the subject to be taught.
- Applicants with a bachelor or higher degree must have at least one year of verifiable occupational experience in the past ten years. Experience must be appropriate to the subject to be taught.
- **This endorsement requires the following assessment(s) of occupational expertise:**
- Applicant must possess and maintain a Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) Trainer Certification.
- Applicant must possess and maintain National Incident Management System certifications:
 - . 100 – Introduction to Incident Command System
 - . 200 – ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents
 - . 700 – National Incident Management System, An Introduction
 - . 800 – National Response Framework, An Introduction

For more information, consult <http://training.fema.gov/IS/Nims.asp>

4. Teacher Education Preparation and Related Assessment(s) of that Education

- Applicant must enroll immediately in Vocational Instructor Preparation (VIP) program. **(Exception: Those teachers that have a currently valid five-year license or have completed an alternate route program do not have to enroll in VIP).**
- Applicant must complete the individualized professional development plan (PDP) requirements of the VIP program prior to the expiration date of the three-year Career & Technical license.
- Applicant must successfully complete a Certification for online learning workshop, module, or course that is approved by the Mississippi Department of Education,
- Applicant must successfully complete the Law and Public Safety Certification workshop, module, or course that is approved by the Mississippi Department of Education.

Note: If the applicant meets all requirements listed above, that applicant will be issued a 912 endorsement—a five-year license. If the applicant meets the educational and occupational experience requirements, but does not meet all other requirements, the applicant may be issued one (1) three-year endorsement (license),

and all requirements stated above must be satisfied prior to the ending date of that license.

Special Notes

1. All coursework required for any educator license or endorsement in this manual must:
 - b) be presented on an official academic transcript from an accredited educational institution and
 - c) have a grade of “C” or higher.
2. If workshops or education modules are taken to fulfill any requirement for any license or endorsement in this manual, the applicant must provide proof of completion.
3. Continuing Education Units or Courses completed for renewal of a license will meet the requirements for renewal of all Career & Technical Licenses or Endorsements held by an individual.
4. If the applicant meets all requirements listed, they will be issued a five-year License. If the applicant does meet the educational and occupational experience requirements, but does not meet all other requirements, the applicant may be issued one (1) three-year license for a given license code; all requirements stated for the license must be satisfied prior to the ending date of that three - year license.
5. Applicants who have successfully completed Student Teaching/Teaching Internship are not required to complete Vocational Instructor Preparation (VIP).

Definitions:

Non Education Degree – A Bachelor’s degree that does not include Student Teaching

Student Teaching or Teaching Internship – A college course or courses in which the student participates in a directed teaching experience with a mentor teacher

Technical Certificate – A certification of successful completion of a course of study that normally does not include “Academic” course work and is completed in less than four semesters

Related Field - An applicant holds an earned two-year or four-year degree, as appropriate for the license being pursued, in any field and has completed twenty-one (21) hours of acceptable coursework with an earned grade of “C” or higher in the subject area the license is requested

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