

CHAPTER 11

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND STANDARDS

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Chapter Historical Note

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SUBCHAPTER 1. DIVISION OF TEACHER PREPARATION AND CERTIFICATION

6:11-1.1 Functions

(a) The Division of Teacher Preparation and Certification is the unit of the State Department of Education that is responsible for:

1. Examining credentials and issuing certificates that qualify individuals to seek employment as teaching staff members in the public schools of the State of New Jersey;
2. Providing staff support to the State Board of Examiners;
3. Assisting in the development of policies that govern the certification of teaching staff members;
4. Coordinating, monitoring and evaluating those aspects of college academic programs and those training programs of district boards of education that lead to educational certificates, and recommending their periodic approval by the Commissioner of Education;
5. Coordinating, monitoring and evaluating the administration of tests and other assessments that are required for educational certification;
6. Maintaining reciprocal agreements with other states and territories concerning the certification of educational practitioners;
7. Maintaining and reporting data on the supply and quality of newly certified teaching staff members; and
8. Assisting district boards of education in the recruitment and employment of teaching staff members.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Section substantially amended.

Repeal and new rule: R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

SUBCHAPTER 2. STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

6:11-2.1 Membership

(a) There shall be a State Board of Examiners, consisting of the Commissioner of Education, ex officio, and one assistant commissioner of education, two presidents of State colleges, one county superintendent, one superintendent of schools of a Type I district, one superintendent of a Type II district, one high school principal, one elementary school principal, one librarian employed by the State or by one of its political subdivisions, one school business administrator,

and four teaching staff members other than a superintendent, principal or librarian, all of whom shall be appointed by the Commissioner with the approval of the State Board.

(b) The officers of the State Board of Examiners shall be the chairman and the secretary of the Board.

(c) The chairman of the State Board of Examiners shall have the power to appoint committees made up of less than a majority of the full Board to assist the Board in the conduct of its duties.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Added "of Education".

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Added new (b) and (c) describing further structure of Board of Examiners.

6:11-2.2 Duties

The State Board of Examiners shall grant appropriate certificates to teach or to administer, direct, or supervise, the teaching, instruction or educational guidance of pupils in public schools operated by district boards of education, and such other certificates as it shall be authorized to issue by law, based upon certified scholastic records, documented experience or upon examinations, and may revoke or suspend such certificates. It is the responsibility and authority of the State Board of Education upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Education to establish rules and regulations governing the issuance, revocation and suspension of certificates, including rules governing types of certificates, authorizations and certification requirements. All actions of the State Board of Examiners shall be taken in accord with rules prescribed by the State Board of Education. The Board may, subject to the procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 6:11-3, refuse to issue a certificate where the applicant has been found by a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction, to have engaged in conduct which would have provided adequate grounds for the revocation of the certificate, if then held. The Board shall not refuse to issue a certificate without providing the applicant an opportunity to be heard pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-3.15.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Deleted "and regulations".

Amended by R.1986 d.279, effective July 21, 1986.

See: 18 N.J.R. 595(a), 18 N.J.R. 1457(a).

Added text "It is the ... Board of Education."

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Added fuller description of Board's responsibilities re: refusal to issue certificates.

6:11-2.3 Certificates and endorsements

Consistent with N.J.S.A. 18A:6-38, the State Board of Examiners shall issue three educational certificates: the Instructional Certificate, the Administrative Certificate and the Educational Services Certificate. The Board may issue for each teaching, administrative or service position a special endorsement under the appropriate certificates.

New Rule, R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

SUBCHAPTER 3. BASIC CERTIFICATION POLICIES

Subchapter Historical Note

Amendments were filed and became effective February 23, 1973 as R.1973 d.55. See: 5 N.J.R. 7(b), 5 N.J.R. 79(c). Further amendments were filed and became effective March 3, 1977 as R.1977 d.70. See: 9 N.J.R. 66(a), 9 N.J.R. 167(c). Further amendments were filed and became effective January 17, 1983 as R.1982 d.486. See: 14 N.J.R. 1010(a), 15 N.J.R. 84(c). Further amendments were filed and became effective November 7, 1983 as R.1983 d.493. See: 15 N.J.R. 1152(b), 15 N.J.R. 1860(c). Amendments were filed and became effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985). See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a). This subchapter was readopted pursuant to Executive Order 66(1978) effective December 12, 1985 (amendments and repeal of 6:11-3.13 certification for experimental curriculum effective January 6, 1986) as R.1985 d.665. See: 17 N.J.R. 2181(a), 18 N.J.R. 85(a). See chapter and section levels for further amendments.

6:11-3.1 Certificate required

(a) Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:26-2, the requirement of certification applies to any person who is employed by a district board of education to perform duties that are regulated through certification rules pursuant to this chapter. Such duties shall be performed by the holder of the required certificate or under his or her direct and continuous personal supervision.

(b) The chief school administrator of the employing district board of education shall require each newly employed or reassigned teaching staff member to exhibit an appropriate certificate before the teaching staff member assumes responsibility for the performance of regulated duties.

(c) The chief school administrator shall annually exhibit to the county superintendent of schools the certificates of all newly assigned teaching staff members. The county superintendent of schools shall notify in writing the employing district board of education and the Commissioner of Education of any instance in which a teaching staff position is occupied by a person who has failed to exhibit an appropriate certificate.

(d) Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:27-2, any contract or engagement of any teaching staff member shall cease and terminate whenever the employing district board of education shall ascertain by written notice received from the county or district superintendent of schools, or in any other manner, that such person is not, or has ceased to be, the holder of an appropriate certificate required by this title for such employment, notwithstanding that the term of such employment shall not then have expired.

(e) The Commissioner of Education may direct any district board of education that, properly notified, fails to terminate the contract of an uncertified or improperly certified teaching staff member to show cause why the amount of the teaching staff member's per diem salary should not be withheld from the district board of education's State financial aid for each day the teaching staff member remains employed. If such district board of education fails within 20 days to respond or to show adequate cause, either by exhibiting an appropriate certificate or by terminating the contract of the uncertified teaching staff member, the Commissioner of Education, in order to fulfill his or her responsibility for ensuring the certification of teaching staff members and the thorough and efficient education of students, may reduce State financial aid to such district board of education by the amount of the uncertified teaching staff member's per diem contract salary (N.J.S.A. 18A:58-16).

Amended by R.1984 d.469, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

"Chief School Administrator" substituted for "Superintendent".

Repeal and new rule: R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Case Notes

Requirement of two certificates for single education position was not anomalous, arbitrary or irrational. *Denney v. Board of Educ. of Passaic County Regional High School Dist. No. 1, Passaic County*, 131 N.J. 626, 622 A.2d 858 (1993).

Certification obtained under false pretenses is void ab initio and cannot be used in determination of tenure claim. *Fischbach v. Bd. of Ed., North Bergen*, 7 N.J.A.R. 191 (1984), affirmed per curiam Dkt. No. A-5947-83 (App.Div.1984).

In-depth discussion of tenure, certification, transfer and seniority. *Howley v. Ewing Twp. Bd. of Ed.*, 6 N.J.A.R. 509 (1982).

Position of guidance counselor is a service category position in which tenure can be acquired. *Childs v. Union Twp. Bd. of Ed.*, 3 N.J.A.R. 163 (1980), affirmed per curiam Docket No. A-3603-80 (App.Div. 1982).

6:11-3.2 Fees

(a) The State Board of Education may make and enforce rules for the granting of appropriate certificates or licenses to teach or to administer, direct, or supervise the teaching, instruction or educational guidance of pupils in public schools operated by district boards of education.

(b) Rules for certification fees include the following:

1. For each certificate of eligibility or certificate of eligibility with advanced standing, or emergency certificate, a fee of \$50.00 shall be charged.

2. For each county substitute certificate, a fee of \$50.00 shall be charged.

3. For each renewal of an emergency or provisional certificate, a fee of \$30.00 shall be charged.

2. Upon knowledge of any criminal conviction, the chief school administrator shall notify the county superintendent of schools directly of such a criminal conviction involving a certificate holder, as described in N.J.S.A. 2C:51-2a. The county superintendent of schools shall notify the Commissioner of Education of the criminal conviction of the certificate holder. The Secretary of the State Board of Examiners, upon being notified in writing by the Commissioner of Education of such a criminal conviction or guilty plea involving a certificate holder, whether such knowledge comes as a result of a notification by the county superintendent of schools or chief school administrator or otherwise, shall communicate with the court to obtain the judgment of conviction, copy of testimony and other evidence for presentation of the case before the State Board of Examiners. Where authorized by the State Board of Examiners, the Secretary of the Board shall issue an order to show cause and shall issue a statement of charges upon which revocation or suspension will be considered, which shall not preclude the subsequent inclusion of new findings, and shall notify the certificate holder that an answer must be filed with the State Board of Examiners no later than 20 days from the receipt of that notice. After an answer has been filed on behalf of the certificate holder, the State Board of Examiners shall refer the case to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 52:14F-1 et seq.).

3. Upon the filing of a petition by any person for revocation or suspension of a certificate with the State Board of Examiners against a certificate holder pursuant to (a) above:

i. The petitioner shall furnish to the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners evidence of proof of service of petition to the other party or parties involved; and

ii. The petition shall be accompanied by a sworn statement that the affiant has firsthand knowledge supporting the charges set forth in the petition.

(b) The Secretary of the State Board of Examiners shall notify the certificate holder that an answer must be filed with the State Board of Examiners no later than 20 days from the receipt of that notice. Upon timely filing of an answer, the board shall determine whether the matter is a contested case. Each contested case shall be referred to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 52:14F-1 et seq.). Cases that are not contested shall be referred by the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners for determination of revocation or suspension of the certification.

(c) Nothing in the foregoing shall preclude the State Board of Examiners from issuing an Order to Show Cause

on its own initiative where said Board has reason to believe that grounds for revocation or suspension exist.

(d) After the State Board of Examiners has acted upon the initial decision of the administrative law judge in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:6-38 where the decision of the board has resulted in revocation or suspension of a certificate, the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners shall notify the following:

1. The 50 states and territories and other such agencies which are part of the Interstate Certification Project;
2. The county superintendent of schools;
3. Appropriate governmental pension and annuity funds, or retirement services; and
4. The chief school administrator in the employing district.

(e) Certificates that have been revoked or suspended shall be surrendered to the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners within 15 days after receipt of revocation or suspension order.

(f) A suspended certificate may be reinstated at the end of the suspension period, provided that the certificate holder has met all conditions set forth by the State Board of Examiners and has no other pertinent charges or cases pending before the State Board of Examiners or the State of New Jersey.

(g) Where an applicant for certification indicates that he or she previously held a certificate issued by the State Board of Examiners, which certificate was revoked, the Board of Examiners may require the applicant to set forth the pertinent circumstances relating to the revocation, and require the applicant to demonstrate to the Board rehabilitation which warrants reinstatement of the revoked certificate. The Board shall not refuse to reinstate a revoked certificate without providing the petitioner an opportunity to be heard.

New Rule, R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Case Notes

Allegation that state board did not pursue revocation until district made inquiry after teacher reinstituted Title VII action against district, raised genuine issues of material fact. *Charlton v. Paramus Bd. of Educ.*, C.A.3 (N.J.)1994, 25 F.3d 194, certiorari denied 115 S.Ct. 590, 130 L.Ed.2d 503.

Drug conviction teaching disqualification; rehabilitation not shown. *Smith v. New Jersey State Department of Education*, 92 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 80.

Rehabilitation following convictions precluded disqualification from certification as substitute teacher. *New Jersey Department of Education v. Skwarek*, 92 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 1.

Evidence was sufficient to find tenured teacher inefficient and insubordinate; dismissal. *Township of Teaneck, Bergen County v. Wilburn*, 91 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 48.

Custodian properly disqualified from employment; failure to prove rehabilitation. *Hall v. New Jersey State Dept. of Educ.*, 91 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 46.

Teacher disqualified from employment sufficiently demonstrated rehabilitation. *Golinski v. New Jersey Dept. of Educ.*, 91 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 36.

School custodian convicted of aggravated arson did not demonstrate sufficient rehabilitation. *Miller v. New Jersey Dept. of Educ.*, 91 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 15.

Substitute teacher disqualified from employment for disorderly conduct conviction demonstrated rehabilitation. *Saunders v. New Jersey Bd. of Educ.*, 91 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 12.

6:11-3.7 Appeal of decisions

Final decisions made by the State Board of Examiners shall be appealable to the State Board of Education pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-28.

New Rule, R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Case Notes

First degree murder conviction is unbecoming conduct warranting certificate revocation. *New Jersey Board of Examiners v. Krupp*, 3 N.J.A.R. 285 (1981).

Removal from tenured position does not require an increase in the tenure hearing standard of proof from a preponderance of evidence to clear and convincing evidence. *School District Red Bank Boro. v. Williams*, 3 N.J.A.R. 237 (1981), affirmed per curiam Docket No. A-4036-81 (App.Div.1982).

6:11-3.8 Suspension of certificates

(a) A teacher employed by a district board of education who shall, without the consent of the district board of education, leave the school before the expiration of the term of his or her employment, shall be deemed guilty of unprofessional conduct.

(b) The Commissioner of Education may, upon receiving notice of the fact, suspend the certificate for a period not exceeding one year.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

6:11-3.9 Oath of allegiance required

(a) Every person whose application is pending, or who hereafter applies for a license, or any renewal thereof, to teach or supervise in any of the public schools of this State, shall subscribe to the oath of allegiance and office prescribed in N.J.S.A. 41:1-3.

(b) Any person who is a citizen or subject of any country other than the United States, such as an exchange teacher, is required to file an oath to support the Constitution of the United States while so employed.

Case Notes

New Jersey's statutory loyalty oath required of school teachers was constitutional. *Gough v. State*, 285 N.J.Super. 516, 667 A.2d 1057 (A.D.1995).

6:11-3.10 Citizenship requirement

(a) To be eligible for a certificate, the applicant must be a citizen of the United States (except a teacher of foreign languages, unless such teacher has been a resident of the United States for more than 10 years; or an applicant for temporary employment under a special program approved by the Commissioner of Education) or have preliminary citizenship status as follows:

1. Any citizen of any other country who has declared his or her intention of becoming a United States citizen and who is otherwise qualified may, with the approval of the Commissioner of Education, be granted a teacher's certificate and employed as a teacher by a district board of education (N.J.S.A. 18A:26-1).

2. Any certificate granted pursuant to this act shall be void and shall be cancelled by the State Board of Examiners who issued the same, if the holder thereof shall not have become a United States citizen within five years of the date of its issuance, and may be revoked within said period by the State Board of Examiners if the said board is satisfied that the holder thereof has abandoned his or her efforts to become a United States citizen or has become disqualified for such citizenship (N.J.S.A. 18A:26-8.1).

3. No teaching staff member shall acquire tenure unless he or she is, or until he or she shall become, a citizen of the United States (N.J.S.A. 18A:28-3).

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).
Added "district".

6:11-3.11 Minimum degree and age requirement

Applicants for teachers certificates must be at least 18 years old, have been graduated from an approved high school or have an equivalent education as determined by the State Board of Examiners and have received a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education. The requirement of a baccalaureate degree shall not apply to applicants for the vocational endorsements in N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.1.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).
Section substantially amended.
Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).
Exception of baccalaureate degree clarified.

6:11-3.12 Teachers in evening schools

Teachers of academic subjects in accredited public evening schools and teachers in evening schools for foreign-born residents shall hold a valid New Jersey elementary or subject teacher's endorsement authorizing the teaching of the specified subject or subjects in public day schools.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Recodified from 3.13; "endorsement" substituted for "certificate" therefor.

6:11-3.13 Veterans regulation

Veterans who received an evaluation before entering the service may continue under that evaluation, provided a request for reinstatement of the preservice status is made within a period of time equivalent to the length of the military service, upon presentation of a copy of an honorable discharge from the service. At the expiration of the time period equivalent to the length of military service, the veteran shall be subject to rules in N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.

R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Recodified from 3.15; added "At the expiration ... in N.J.A.C. 6:11-5".

6:11-3.14 Replacement of lost certificates

Replacement of a lost certificate requires completion of the appropriate application form, a notarized statement of loss and payment of required fee.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Recodified from 3.16.

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Notarized statement required.

6:11-3.15 Methods of appeal

(a) An applicant who has reason to believe that his or her application has not been given proper consideration by the Office of Teacher Certification has the right to appeal the decision.

(b) The appeal shall take the form of a written petition accompanied by a sworn statement stating evidence supporting the applicant's preparation to complete the certification requirement in question.

1. The applicant shall provide in writing evidence that substantiates the appeal.

(c) The State Board of Examiners shall review the information provided by the applicant and shall render a decision no later than the second meeting after the information has been received by the Secretary. The decision shall be communicated in writing by the Secretary to the applicant.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Recodified from 3.17. Deleted "credentials have" and substituted "application has".

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Appeal process clarified.

6:11-3.16 Validation of college degrees and professional preparation

(a) Rules of the New Jersey State Board of Education require teacher candidates to present college study completed at accredited or approved institutions.

(b) Except as indicated in (d) below, college degrees will be recognized for purposes of teacher certification in New Jersey only from colleges accredited or approved by the State Board or Department of Education or Higher Education of the state in which the college exists, and for foreign institutions of higher education which are recognized by international accreditation agencies.

(c) Professional preparation required for New Jersey certificates will be accepted from:

1. New Jersey colleges approved for the preparation of teachers by the New Jersey State Board of Education; and

2. Out-of-State colleges approved by the state board or department of education or higher education in the state in which the college is established, and approved by the New Jersey Department of Education on the basis of reciprocal agreements or individual review.

3. Accredited two-year colleges provided:

i. The courses are accepted toward meeting the requirements for certification by a college approved for the preparation of teachers by the State Department of Education and such courses do appear on the official transcript of approved colleges.

ii. No more than six semester-hour credits in professional education are completed on the two-year college level.

(d) College degrees and professional preparation from colleges in states in which the state board or department of education lacks authority to regulate the establishment of colleges or their approval for purposes of teacher education, may be accepted for purposes of teacher certification in New Jersey only if such degrees and professional preparation are accepted for purposes of teacher certification by the state department of education in the state in which the college exists.

As amended, R.1981 d.22, eff. January 23, 1981.

See: 12 N.J.R. 452(e), 13 N.J.R. 123(b).

(c)3: credit acceptance from two-year colleges defined.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Section substantially amended. Recodified from 3.18.
Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).
Word "teacher's" deleted from before "certificate".

6:11-3.17 Recognition of advanced standing in a college

(a) Advanced work completed in a secondary school, which is assigned college credit by the institution of higher education which the candidate attends, shall be counted toward meeting the requirements for certification.

(b) Where advanced standing but not college credit is given by the higher institution as a basis for admission to advanced work in the field, the equivalent of college credit may be granted (for purposes of certification) for the courses which were waived by the institution.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).
Recodified from 3.19.

6:11-3.18 Course information

(a) Courses completed by correspondence may be accepted only if they are a part of a degree program completed by the applicant.

(b) Teaching a course in an accredited college or university shall be deemed the equivalent of having presented the course on a college transcript. Evidence of such teaching must be submitted in the form of a letter from the college president or dean.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).
Recodified from 3.20.

6:11-3.19 Issuance of a certificate

(a) The appropriate certificate will be issued by the Division of Teacher Preparation and Certification upon completion of all requirements. The certificate should always be kept in the possession of the teacher.

(b) Issuance of a certificate to an applicant enrolled in an approved program may be denied when the applicant fails to secure the recommendation of the preparing institution.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).
Recodified with amendments from 3.22.
Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).
Designation of "Bureau" changed to "Division".

Law Review and Journal Commentaries

Teachers—Tenure. Steven P. Bann, 133 N.J.L.J. Nos. 16, 52 (1993).

6:11-3.20 Equivalency of work taken in other countries

The Secretary of the State Board of Examiners is authorized to determine the equivalency of work taken in foreign universities and colleges and, in cases where records are unavailable or indefinite, to conduct oral, written, and performance examinations in various teaching fields in order to establish such equivalency.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).
Recodified from 3.23 (Old 3.21 "Student teaching" was deleted.)

6:11-3.21 Certification in reorganized schools

(a) When school reorganization results in the inclusion of elementary grades in combination with higher grades, the elementary or secondary principal's certificate issued under previous rules, will be recognized as valid for this reorganized school.

(b) Further, the elementary or secondary teacher's certificate issued under previous rules, will be recognized as valid for teaching the particular subjects covered by these certificates in this reorganized school.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).
Recodified from 3.24.

6:11-3.22 Exchange teachers

(a) If a teacher from a foreign country is to be paid by a district board of education as its own employee, it is necessary for the district board of education to adopt a resolution stating that "_____ is employed as a substitute teacher in place of _____ for the school year 19____ as part of an experimental program of teacher exchange approved by the Commissioner of Education, to receive a salary for his services as a substitute of _____." The purpose of this resolution is to indicate that the exchange teacher employed by the district board of education is a temporary rather than a permanent person and is actually a substitute for the permanent teacher.

(b) The teacher will be required to file an oath of allegiance with the district board of education as required by N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7 to the effect that he or she will support the institutions of the United States during the period of his or her employment within the State.

(c) The district board of education should request, through the county superintendent's office, the Commissioner of Education's authorization or a letter of approval for the foreign teacher so employed, upon receipt of which the Commissioner of Education may issue to the said teacher a letter certifying him or her for the period of his or her temporary service in the State as a teacher employed in an experimental program as authorized by the rules of the State Board of Education.

(d) Mentor teachers shall not participate in any way in decisions which might have a bearing on the employment or certification of provisional teachers. They shall not assess or evaluate the performance of provisional teachers unless they are appropriately certified administrators. Interactions between provisional teachers and experienced mentor teachers are formative in nature and considered a matter of professional privilege. Mentor teachers shall not be compelled to offer testimony on the performance of provisional teachers.

R.1984 d.369, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).
Amended by R.1989 d.614, effective December 18, 1989.
See: 21 N.J.R. 2717(a), 21 N.J.R. 3934(a).
Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.6 and new (d) added.

6:11-5.5 Recommendation for certification of provisional teachers

(a) At the conclusion of the State-approved district training program, the chairperson of the Support Team shall prepare a comprehensive evaluation report on the provisional teacher's performance. This report shall be submitted by the Chairperson directly to the Bureau of Teacher Preparation and Certification and shall contain a recommendation as to whether or not a standard certificate should be issued to the provisional teacher.

(b) The final comprehensive evaluation report on each provisional teacher shall be made on standard forms developed by the State Department of Education.

(c) The final report on each provisional teacher shall include one of the following recommendations:

1. Approved: Recommends issuance of a standard certificate;
2. Insufficient: Recommends that a standard certificate not be issued but that the candidate be allowed to seek entry on one more occasion in the future into a State-approved district training program; or
3. Disapproved: Recommends that a standard certificate not be issued and that the candidate not be allowed to enter into a State-approved district training program.

(d) The Support Team chairperson shall provide the provisional teacher with a copy of the provisional teacher's written evaluation report and certification recommendation before submitting it to the Division of Teacher Preparation and Certification.

(e) If the provisional teacher disagrees with the chairperson's recommendation, the provisional teacher may, within 15 days of receipt of the evaluation report and certification recommendation, submit to the chairperson written materials documenting the reasons why the provisional teacher believes standard certification should be awarded or a recommendation of insufficient granted. The chairperson shall forward all such documentation to the Division of Teacher

Preparation and Certification along with the evaluation report and recommendation concerning certification. The provisional teacher may contest the unfavorable recommendation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-3.30.

(f) Candidates who receive a recommendation of "disapproved" or two or more recommendations of "insufficient" may petition the State Board of Examiners for approval of additional opportunities to seek provisional employment in districts other than those in which they received unfavorable recommendations. The candidate shall be responsible for demonstrating why he or she would be likely to succeed if granted the requested opportunity. Disapproval of any candidate's request by the State Board of Examiners may be appealed to the Commissioner of Education.

R.1984 d.369, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).
Amended by R.1988 d.491, effective October 17, 1988.
See: 20 N.J.R. 1320(c), 20 N.J.R. 2567(a).
Substantially amended.
Amended by R.1989 d.614, effective December 18, 1989.
See: 21 N.J.R. 2717(a), 21 N.J.R. 3934(a).
Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.7 and new (f) added.
Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).
"Bureau" changed to "Division"; cite corrected.

SUBCHAPTER 6. ENDORSEMENTS ON THE INSTRUCTIONAL CERTIFICATE

Subchapter Historical Note

This subchapter was filed and became effective prior to September 1, 1969. Revisions were filed and became effective September 22, 1972 as R.1972 d.189. See: 4 N.J.R. 154(b), 4 N.J.R. 262(e). Amendments were filed and became effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985). See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a). See chapter and section levels for further amendments.

6:11-6.1 Authorizations—General

(a) Each teaching endorsement is required for the corresponding teaching assignment. Each endorsement is valid for all levels, except that the elementary endorsement is valid for grades nursery through eight.

(b) Teachers with elementary endorsements are not permitted to devote more than one-half time to teaching art, music, health, home economics, industrial arts, or physical education in elementary grades. Teachers with elementary endorsements are authorized to teach the common branch subjects, such as reading, writing, arithmetic, and spelling in the secondary school, grades seven through 12.

(c) Teachers with English endorsements who taught reading prior to February, 1976, may continue to teach in such assignment. After February, 1976, teachers of reading shall hold the appropriate endorsement.

Amended by R.1984 d.469, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

(c) added. Recodified from 6.2. Old section 6.1 "Fields; endorsements" has been deleted.

Amended by R.1990 d.134, effective February 20, 1990.

See: 21 N.J.R. 3209(a), 22 N.J.R. 632(b).

Eliminated separate nursery school endorsement.

Case Notes

State Board of Education's promulgation of specifications for categories of certification for teaching staff members was not palpably arbitrary. *Ellicott v. Board of Educ. of Tp. of Frankford, Sussex County*, 251 N.J.Super. 342, 598 A.2d 237 (A.D.1991).

Teacher holding educational services certificate is qualified to serve in any assignment or instructional for which he or she holds the requisite endorsement. *Ellicott v. Board of Educ. of Tp. of Frankford, Sussex County*, 251 N.J.Super. 342, 598 A.2d 237 (A.D.1991).

Certification regulations enumerated endorsements which qualified for endorsement position, unlike statutory language predicated tenure to a particular "position" upon the acquisition of a "certificate." *Ellicott v. Board of Educ. of Tp. of Frankford, Sussex County*, 251 N.J.Super. 342, 598 A.2d 237 (A.D.1991).

6:11-6.2 Endorsements and authorizations

(a) Teaching endorsements and authorizations are listed below:

1. Agriculture: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach agriculture/agribusiness/natural resources occupational education, including the related theory and procedures and/or coordinating supervised occupational experience programs in all public schools;

2. Art: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach art in all public schools;

3. Bilingual/bicultural education: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach bilingual/bicultural education in all public schools;

4. Business education;

i. Comprehensive: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach business education subjects in all public schools. Included in the comprehensive business education endorsement are the subject areas of: bookkeeping and accounting, secretarial studies, general business, consumer education, business math, business English;

ii. Bookkeeping and accounting: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach bookkeeping, accounting, and business mathematics, in all public schools;

iii. Data processing: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach data processing in all public schools. Data processing normally includes the areas of key-punching, unit record operation, computer operation, programming and technology;

iv. General business: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach general business studies in all public schools. General business studies normally include: business law, economic geography, economics, social business studies, consumer education sales, retailing, advertising;

v. Secretarial studies: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach secretarial studies in all public schools. Secretarial studies normally include: short-hand, typewriting, office procedures, business machines, business English;

vi. Typewriting: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach typewriting in all public schools;

vii. Marketing and Distributive occupations: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach marketing and distributive occupations in all public schools. Distributive occupations include: sales, advertising, retailing;

5. Driver education: this endorsement authorizes the holder to teach driver education in all public schools;

6. Elementary education: This endorsement authorizes the holder to serve as elementary school teacher in grades nursery through eight in all public schools. Teachers with elementary endorsements are not permitted to devote more than one half time to teaching art, music, health, home economics, industrial arts, or physical education in the elementary grades. Teachers with elementary endorsements are authorized to teach the common branch subjects such as reading, writing, arithmetic, and spelling in the secondary school;

7. English: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach English in all public schools;

8. English as a Second Language: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach English as a second language in all public schools;

9. Foreign language: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach a designated foreign language in all public schools. See listing of foreign languages below;

i. Chinese;

ii. French;

iii. German;

iv. Greek;

v. Hebrew;

vi. Italian;

vii. Japanese;

viii. Latin;

ix. Portuguese;

x. Russian;

xi. Spanish;

xii. Other foreign languages.

10. Health education: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach health education in all public schools;

11. Health and physical education: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach health and physical education in all public schools;

12. Home economics: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach home economics in all public schools. Home economics normally includes: Homemaking and consumer education, foods and nutrition, family living and parenthood education, child development and guidance, housing and home furnishings, home management, clothing and textiles, and family health and safety;

13. Industrial arts: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach industrial arts in all public schools. Industrial arts normally includes: graphic arts, drafting, woodworking, metal working, arts and power mechanics;

14. Mathematics: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach mathematics in all public schools;

15. Military science: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach military service in all public schools;

16. Music: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach vocal and instrumental music and related theory in all public schools;

17. Physical education: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach physical education in all public schools;

18. Psychology: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach psychology in all public schools;

19. Reading: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach reading in all public schools;

20. Science:

i. Biological science: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach biological and general science in all public schools. Biological science includes: botany, anatomy and physiology, zoology, biology;

ii. Earth science: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach earth and general science in all public schools. Earth science includes: astronomy, geology, meteorology, oceanography, physical geography and space science;

iii. Physical science: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach physical and general science in all public schools. Physical Science includes: physics, chemistry, and earth and space sciences other than geography;

21. Social studies: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach social studies in all public schools;

22. Special education:

i. Blind or partially sighted: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach blind or partially sighted children in all public schools;

ii. Deaf or hard of hearing: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach deaf or hard of hearing children in all public schools;

iii. Teacher of the handicapped: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach pupils classified as handicapped in all public schools;

23. Speech arts and dramatics: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach speech arts and dramatics in all public schools;

24. Teacher of agricultural occupations: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach agricultural occupations in all public schools.

25. Teacher of practical nursing: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach practical nursing in all public schools;

26. Teacher of production, personal or service occupations: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach vocational courses in the areas of his or her State-approved occupational experience in all public schools.

27. Teacher of skilled trades: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach skilled trade courses in the area of his or her State-approved occupational experience in all public schools.

28. Teacher of technical occupations: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach technical occupation courses in the area of his or her State-approved occupational experience in all public schools.

29. Teacher of vocational-technical related subjects: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach those subjects utilized in skill and technical trades such as math, science, related theory.

30. Vocational-technical part-time teacher: This endorsement authorizes the holder to teach on a part-time basis in any approved vocational-technical evening, apprenticeship, extension, industrial-in-plant training or short-term preemployment program.

R.1984 d.369, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).
See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).
Amended by R.1990 d.134, effective February 20, 1990.
See: 21 N.J.R. 3209(a), 22 N.J.R. 632(b).

Eliminated separate nursery school endorsement.
Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Deletes lists of occupations; added Vocational-technical part-time teacher endorsement, 30.
Public Notice: Notice of public testimony session.
See: 23 N.J.R. 2187(a).

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Nontenured person was not entitled to position as a learning disabilities teaching consultant over tenured teaching staff member who was certified as a learning disabilities teaching consultant but had not served the requisite probationary period in tenure in that particular position. *Ellicott v. Board of Educ. of Tp. of Frankford, Sussex County*, 251 N.J.Super. 342, 598 A.2d 237 (A.D.1991).

Claim that vice principal was improperly assigned to supervise school's media center; alleged lack of educational media specialist endorsement. *Lippincott v. Watchung Hills Regional High School District Board of Education*, 94 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 311.

6:11-6.3 (Reserved)

R.1984 d.369, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Repealed by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Requirements moved to N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.

Case Notes

Policy behind issuance of alternative certificates. *Gilbert v. N.J. State Bd. of Examiners*, 1977 S.L.D. 913, 1978 S.L.D. 1017, 979 S.L.D. 829.

SUBCHAPTER 7. STANDARDS FOR NEW JERSEY COLLEGE TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS

Subchapter Historical Note

Unless otherwise expressly noted, this subchapter was adopted by the Department of Education, and was filed and became effective prior to September 1, 1969. Revisions were filed and became effective on September 22, 1972 as R.1972 d.189. See: 4 N.J.R. 154(b), 4 N.J.R. 262(e). This subchapter was repealed and a new subchapter readopted to become effective on August 16, 1982 (operative July 1, 1982 except for 7.1(b) to become operative September 1, 1985) as R.1982 d.269. See: 14 N.J.R. 456(b), 14 N.J.R. 914(a). Further amendments were filed and became effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985) as R.1984 d.469. See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 2788(a). See chapter and section levels for further amendments.

6:11-7.1 Procedures for accreditation or approval

(a) The State Board of Education authorizes the use of Standards for State Approval of Teacher Education of the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC), in the evaluation of teacher preparation programs in colleges and universities of the State. The 1983 edition of NASDTEC (future editions, subsequent amendments and supplements) is hereby authorized for use in the evaluation of teacher preparation programs, and is hereby adopted as a rule.

1. This document is available for review at the Bureau of Teacher Preparation and Certification, New Jersey State Department of Education, 225 West State Street, CN 500, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, or at the Office of Administrative Law, CN 301, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

2. This document may be purchased from NASDTEC, California State Department of Education, P.O. Box 2431, Sacramento, CA 95814.

As amended, R.1982 d.269. Subsection (a) eff. August 16, 1982; Subsection (b) eff. September 1, 1983 for entering freshman; Subsection (b) eff. September 1, 1985 for transfer students.

See: 14 N.J.R. 456(b), 14 N.J.R. 914(a).

Old text deleted and replaced with new text.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, eff. October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Section substantially amended.

Amended by R.1985 d.613, effective December 2, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1708(a), 17 N.J.R. 2884(a).

(b) recodified to 7.2 through 7.5.

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Updated NASDTEC address.

6:11-7.2 Admission, retention, and graduation of students

(a) Teacher preparation programs are those curricula which lead to a recommendation for a New Jersey Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing in instructional fields pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.1, irrespective of the organizational unit of the college by which the curriculum is offered. Formal admission to teacher preparation programs shall be reviewed at the beginning of the junior year and shall be granted only to those students who have:

1. Maintained a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.5 (4 equals A) for the first two years of college. It is the intent of this and other standards which refer to minimum grade point average to insure that institutions determine the intellectual competence of those recommended for certification. The required average of 2.5 should be viewed as only a minimal means of achieving this goal; the variability of the GPA among institutions should also be recognized. Therefore, institutions are encouraged to exceed this standard when appropriate and to develop additional criteria for insuring that prospective teachers are intellectually capable.

2. Achieved acceptable levels of proficiency in the use of English language (oral and written) and mathematics. Students with deficiencies in these areas upon admission to college shall be required to demonstrate the elimination of such deficiencies through an oral or written assessment by the beginning of the junior year.

3. Demonstrated aptitude for the profession of teaching through successful completion of an appropriate practical experience in an elementary or secondary school. This requirement would normally have to be met before the student is granted status as a junior in the program.

(b) Each student shall be evaluated at the end of the semester prior to student teaching by college faculty (both education and subject matter) and confirmed as a candidate for certification on the basis of a comprehensive assessment of relevant indicators which shall include:

1. Having maintained a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5 (4 equals A);
2. Having demonstrated acceptable levels of teaching proficiency in junior field experience as indicated by the evaluation reports of college and school faculty. Such evaluations shall be communicated to the student and shall be included in the student's permanent file.

(c) Only students who have been confirmed as candidates for certification shall be assigned to student teaching.

(d) Colleges shall recommend for certification to the Department of Education only those students who have completed the certification program and have:

1. Maintained a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (4 equals A);
2. Demonstrated continued competence, aptitude, motivation, and potential for outstanding success in teaching as indicated by assessments of student teaching performance by college and school supervisors. Such assessments shall be communicated to the student and shall be a part of the student's file.

(e) All standards are to be applied equitably to all students, including transfer students, and without discrimination based upon legally prohibited criteria. All admissions and retention processes are to be consistent with State and institutional affirmative action policies and goals.

(f) Colleges shall develop appropriate procedures for placing on probation and dismissing from the program students who fall below minimum requirements before graduation, and shall incorporate into these procedures methods for appeals by students.

(g) Students completing an approved program must be recommended for a Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing by their college or university and must pass a State test pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.1(a)3 before one will be issued by the State Board of Examiners.

Amended by R.1985 d.613, effective December 2, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1708(a), 17 N.J.R. 2884(a).

Recodified from 7.1.

Amended by R.1989 d.614, effective December 18, 1989.

See: 21 N.J.R. 2717(a), 21 N.J.R. 3934(a).

Added reference to "Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing".

6:11-7.3 Curriculum

(a) Each approved undergraduate teacher preparation program shall provide approximately 60 semester credit hours of general education including electives. General

education courses shall be distributed among the arts, humanities, mathematics, science, technology and the social sciences. There must be some study in each area. The inclusion of technology as an aspect of general education is intended to allow for the inclusion of courses and topics (such as computer literacy, the history of technology and the sociological impact of technological advancement) which would contribute to the general technical literacy of students. The purpose of general education is to develop the prospective teacher as an educated person rather than to provide professional preparation. This component of the program shall exclude courses which are clearly professional or vocational in nature.

(b) Each approved teacher preparation program shall require its students to complete a major in the arts, humanities, social science, mathematics, science or technology disciplines. The inclusion of technology as a potential academic area is intended to provide for those candidates who will be certified to teach one of the technical disciplines such as distributive occupations or industrial technology.

(c) At least 96 credits of the total program must be distributed among the general education, academic major, and behavioral/social science aspects of the program.

(d) For purposes of certification, a central focus of the undergraduate teacher education program is the professional component. This component must meet appropriate standards and study requirements of the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification. In addition, each approved undergraduate teacher preparation program shall provide study in the essential behavioral/social science and professional education areas listed in N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.3(g)1 through 3. Approximately 30 credit hours of instruction shall be devoted to professional preparation; a minimum of nine credits must be devoted to study in the behavioral/social sciences, and may be included in the professional or liberal arts components of the program. The professional component of the undergraduate program shall provide students, normally beginning in the sophomore year, with practical experiences in an elementary or secondary school setting; these opportunities shall increase in intensity and duration as the student advances through the program and culminate with a student teaching experience.

(e) The student teaching experience of each approved undergraduate program shall be the equivalent of a full-time experience of one semester's duration and shall be included within the professional component.

Amended by R.1985 d.613, effective December 2, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1708(a), 17 N.J.R. 2884(a).

Recodified from 7.1(b).

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Corrected codification and cite in (d).

6:11-7.4 Supervision of practicum students

(a) Collegiate faculty assigned to supervise students shall:

1. Have had experience supervising; consulting or otherwise working in an elementary/secondary school in contact with classroom teachers within the previous two years;

2. Be full-time faculty members or part-time faculty with demonstrated expertise in the field they are supervising.

(b) College supervisors of student teachers shall be assigned supervisory loads which permit observation of each student once every other week.

(c) In accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:26-8 students must take an examination in physiology and hygiene, including the effects of narcotics and alcohol.

Amended by R.1985 d.613, effective December 2, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1708(a), 17 N.J.R. 2884(a).

Recodified from 7.1.

6:11-7.5 Exception to standards

Exceptions to one or more of the rules in this subchapter may be granted by the Commissioner of Education in cases where an institution is able to document the qualitative equivalency of an alternative approach.

Amended by R.1985 d.613, effective December 2, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1708(a), 17 N.J.R. 2884(a).

Recodified from 7.1.

SUBCHAPTER 8. EXCEPTIONS FOR REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INSTRUCTIONAL CERTIFICATE

Subchapter Historical Note

This subchapter was filed and became effective prior to September 1, 1969. Revisions were filed and became effective September 22, 1972 as R.1972 d.189. See: 4 N.J.R. 154(b), 4 N.J.R. 262(e). Amendments were filed and became effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985). See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a). See chapter and section levels for further amendments.

6:11-8.1 Vocational Education Certification Requirements Effective Until August 31, 1992

(a) The following requirements pertain to candidates who apply prior to September 1, 1992 for any of the following endorsements: Teacher of Agricultural Occupations, Teacher of Practical Nursing, Teacher of Production, Personal or Service Occupations, Teacher of Skilled Trades, and Teacher of Technical Occupations. However, commencing on September 1, 1992, these rules expire and the rules set forth in N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.2 will apply to candidates seeking any of the endorsements listed above.

(b) Persons who are employed under emergency certification on September 1, 1992 shall have until September 1, 1997 to obtain standard certification under requirements in effect prior to September 1, 1992. Such persons may remain employed on an emergency basis until such time as they acquire standard certification but no later than September 1, 1997. However, beginning September 1, 1992 these individuals may choose to meet the newer requirements listed in N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.2 below.

(c) Persons who are enrolled in approved college programs on September 1, 1992 shall have until September 1, 1997 to obtain standard certification by completing the college program in which they are enrolled. However, beginning September 1, 1992 these individuals may choose to meet the newer requirements listed in N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.2 below.

(d) State-approved alternative training programs are not authorized in fields of vocational education. In addition, work experience may be substituted for the baccalaureate degree. Teachers in these fields may be employed on an emergency basis in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6:11-4.3. The emergency certificate is a one-year certificate which is renewable annually for an indefinite period. Candidates in the fields of vocational education may obtain a standard endorsement by meeting the following requirements.

1. Agricultural occupations: (Experience Background). Applicants who present five years of experience in a particular area of agriculture, such as farm machinery repairman, nursery worker, greenhouse florist or poultryman, may receive this endorsement without the requirement of a bachelor's degree. They must present approved training for the agricultural occupation, and have completed an approved teacher education program. Instead of approximately 60 credit-hours in general education, the program must include eighteen semester-hour credits in general background courses, including study in at least three of the following fields: English, social studies, fine arts, science, mathematics and foreign language. The 30-credit major field requirement does not apply to this endorsement.

2. Practical nursing: (Experience Background). Registered nurses who present three years of approved full-time nursing experience may receive this endorsement without the requirement of a bachelor's degree if they have completed an approved teacher education program. Instead of approximately 60 credit hours in general education, the program must include eighteen semester-hour credits in general background courses, including study in at least three of the following fields: English, social studies, fine arts, science, mathematics, and foreign languages. The 30-credit field requirement does not apply to this endorsement.

i. A standard school nurse certificate or a bachelor's or higher degree in nursing education will be accepted as meeting the study requirement for the practical nursing teacher's certificate.

3. Production, personal and service occupations: (Experience Background). Applicants who present three years of experience in occupations such as beauty culture, dry cleaning and pressing, shoe repairing, lathe operation, and commercial foods preparation, may receive this endorsement without the requirement of a bachelor's degree if they present approved training for the skilled occupation and have completed an approved teacher education program. Instead of approximately 60 credit-hours in general education, the program must include 18 semester-hour credits in general background courses, including study in at least three of the following fields: English, social studies, fine arts, science and mathematics. The 30-credit field requirement does not apply to this endorsement.

4. Skilled trades: (Experience Background). Applicants who present six years of approved full-time experience (which may include apprenticeship) in a skilled trade requiring a minimum learning period of two years on-the-job training before reaching the classification of skilled worker or journeyman, of any trade listed by the Federal Committee on Apprentice Training, may receive this endorsement without the requirement of a bachelor's degree. Such candidates must present approved training, and have completed an approved teacher education program. Instead of approximately 60 credit-hours in general education, the program must include 18 semester-hour credits in general background courses, including study in at least three of the following fields: English, social studies, fine arts, science and mathematics. The 30-credit field requirement does not apply to this endorsement.

i. Graduates of approved vocational-technical high schools or institutes may receive one year of credit toward the experience requirement.

5. Technical occupations: (Experience Background). Applicants who present approved training in technical occupations such as electronic technicians, chemical technicians, industrial drafting and design technicians, engineering aides, and metallurgical technicians may receive this endorsement without a bachelor's degree. Such applicants must present approved training and either:

i. A bachelor's degree and two years of experience, or

ii. Four years experience without the bachelor's degree. Instead of approximately 60 credit-hours in general education, the program must include eighteen semester-hour credits in background courses, including study in at least three of the following fields: English, social studies, fine arts, science, and mathematics. The 30-credit field requirement does not apply to this endorsement.

6. Vocational-technical related subjects: A minimum of two years of approved occupational experience is required. The 30-credit field requirement does not apply to this endorsement.

7. Vocational-technical; part-time teacher

i. This certificate is required for vocational teachers who teach on a part-time basis in any approved vocational-technical evening, apprentice, extension, industrial-in-plant training or short-term preemployment program in any of the fields of vocational education, such as, agriculture, distributive education, home economics, trades and industries or technical education, and who do not possess a certificate valid for teaching in an all-day program.

ii. The applicant must have demonstrated evidence of practical experience to fit him for the particular position he is to fill. The adequacy will be evaluated by the particular supervisor in whose field the teaching is to be done and will be approved by recommendation of the State Director of Vocational-Technical Teacher Training to the State Board of Examiners.

iii. The part-time vocational certificate is valid for five years from the date of issuance. Issuance of a standard certificate after five years will be predicated upon presenting evidence of the completion of an approved in-service program in methods of teaching vocational-technical subjects and a certificate of success as a teacher signed by the administrator or supervisor under whom the teaching was done.

(e) State-approved alternative training programs are not authorized in fields of special education. Teachers in these fields may be employed on an emergency basis in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6:11-4.3. The emergency certificate is a one-year certificate which is renewable annually for an indefinite period. Candidates in the fields of special education may obtain an endorsement by completing an approved program at a college or university, or by meeting the following requirements as determined by an evaluation of transcripts or other official documents:

1. Handicapped: This endorsement authorizes teaching the physically limited, socially and emotionally maladjusted, mentally retarded (educable and trainable) children, or children with multiple handicaps. Candidates for this endorsement must complete eighteen semester-hour credits in the education of handicapped, twelve semester-credits in education electives, and student teaching. The eighteen credits in education of the handicapped must include study in each of the following areas: nature and causes of disabilities, practices and materials in teaching the handicapped, and resources and community agencies available in teaching the handicapped.

2. Blind or partially sighted: Candidates for this endorsement must complete eighteen semester-hour credits in education of the handicapped, twelve semester-hour

credits in education electives, and student teaching. The eighteen credits in education of the handicapped must include study in each of the following areas: nature and causes of disabilities, curriculum and/or methods of teaching blind or partially sighted children, including typewriting and Braille, resources and community agencies available for teaching the handicapped.

3. Deaf or hard of hearing: Candidates for this endorsement must complete eighteen semester-hour credits in the education of the handicapped, twelve semester-hour credits in education electives, and student teaching. The eighteen credits in education of the handicapped must include study in each of the following areas: nature and causes of disabilities, curriculum and/or methods of teaching speech, speech reading, and language to the deaf or hard of hearing, resources and community agencies available in teaching the handicapped.

(f) In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6:11-3.16, applicants who have not completed the course study requirements in technical fields or the field of special education may have such requirements waived by presenting evidence of alternative education or experience. In addition, the student teaching requirements in these fields shall be waived for those candidates who:

1. Hold a valid standard New Jersey instructional certificate in another field; or
2. Present a baccalaureate degree, a valid regular certificate from another state, and evidence of at least one year of successful teaching experience in the other state; or
3. Have completed three years of successful classroom teaching experience in an approved or recognized school prior to the acceptance of public school employment in New Jersey; or
4. Have completed two consecutive years of successful teaching experience under an emergency certificate in a New Jersey public school district.

As amended, R.1984 d.469, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Recodified with substantial amendments from 8.4.

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.3, new (a)-(c) added and old (a)-(c) recodified as (d)-(f).

The following annotations apply to the former N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.1, Scope:

Amended by R.1984 d.489, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Section substantially amended.

Repealed by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

6:11-8.2 Vocational education certification requirements effective September 1, 1992

(a) The following requirements apply to applicants for the following endorsements: Teacher of Agricultural Occupations, Teacher of Practical Nursing, Teacher of Production, Personal or Service Occupations, Teacher of Skilled Trades, and Teacher of Technical Occupations.

1. Each candidate for the provisional certificate shall be required to:

i. Possess at least four years of successful work experience in the relevant trade or occupation as approved by the employing district pursuant to criteria and procedures established by the State Department of Education. Each approval shall be filed with the Office of Certification and Academic Credentials and the county office of education;

ii. Pass a State test of basic communication skills; and

iii. Obtain and accept an offer of employment in a position that requires the relevant vocational endorsement.

iv. The requirement in (a)1i above shall not apply to candidates who hold baccalaureate degrees in the subject to be taught. The requirement in (a)1ii above shall not apply to candidates who hold baccalaureate degrees.

v. The Secretary of the State Board of Examiners may authorize the employment of apparently qualified candidates for a period of 60 days while their credentials are being processed by the Office of Certification and Academic Credentials. This 60-day authorization shall not be renewed unless the Office of Certification and Academic Credentials fails to process the candidate's credentials within the 60-day period.

2. Each candidate for the standard certificate shall be required to:

i. Possess a provisional certificate pursuant to (a)1 above; and

ii. Complete a State-approved district training program pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.3 through 5.5.

(b) The requirements listed in (a) above are effective September 1, 1992.

(c) The issuance of emergency certificates to vocational teachers will cease on September 1, 1992. However, emergency certificates issued prior to that date may be reissued annually until September 1, 1997.

(d) Vocational-technical related subjects: a minimum of two years of approved occupational experience is required. Requirements (a)1 and 2 above do not apply to this endorsement.

(e) Vocational-technical part-time teacher:

1. This certificate is required for vocational teachers who teach on a part-time basis in any approved vocational-technical evening, apprentice, extension, industrial-in-plant training or short-term preemployment program in any of the fields of vocational education, such as agriculture, distributive education, home economics, trades and industries of technical education, and who do not possess a certificate valid for teaching in an all-day program.

2. The applicant must have demonstrated evidence of practical experience to fit him or her for the particular position he or she is to fill. The adequacy will be evaluated by the particular supervisor in whose field the teaching is to be done and will be approved by recommendation of the State Director of Vocational-Technical Teacher Training to the State Board of Examiners.

3. The part-time vocational certificate is valid for five years from the date of issuance. Issuance of a standard certificate after five years will be predicated upon presenting evidence of the completion of an approved in-service program in methods of teaching vocational-technical subjects and a certificate of success as a teacher signed by the administrator or supervisor under whom the teaching was done.

New Rule, R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

The following annotations apply to the former N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.2, Common requirements; all college teacher education programs and State-approved alternative programs:

Amended by R.1976 d.84, effective September 1, 1977.

See: 8 N.J.R. 57(a), 8 N.J.R. 174(a).

Amended by R.1984 d.469, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Old text deleted, new text substituted therefor.

Amended by R.1989 d.615, effective December 18, 1989.

See: 21 N.J.R. 2721(a), 21 N.J.R. 3937(a).

The physiology and hygiene requirements were deleted and certain requirements added for bilingual and ESL endorsements.

Repealed by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Case Notes

Teacher lacked endorsements required to teach plumbing or custodial training. *Polo v. Board of Education of Vocational Schools of County of Bergen*. 93 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 498.

6:11-8.3 Special education

(a) State-approved alternative training programs are not authorized in fields of special education. Teachers in these fields may be employed on an emergency basis in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6:11-4.3. The emergency certificate is a one-year certificate which is renewable annually for an indefinite period. Candidates in the fields of special education may obtain an endorsement by completing an approved program at a college or university, or by meeting the following requirements as determined by an evaluation of transcripts or other official documents:

1. Handicapped: This endorsement authorizes teaching the physically limited, socially and emotionally maladjusted, mentally retarded (educable and trainable) children, or children with multiple handicaps. Candidates for this endorsement must complete eighteen semester-hour credits in the education of handicapped, twelve semester-hour credits in education electives, and student teaching. The eighteen credits in education of the handicapped must include study in each of the following areas: nature and causes of disabilities, practices and materials in teaching the handicapped, and resources and community agencies available in teaching the handicapped.

2. Blind or partially sighted: Candidates for this endorsement must complete eighteen semester-hour credits in education of the handicapped, twelve semester-hour credits in education electives, and student teaching. The eighteen credits in education of the handicapped must include study in each of the following areas: nature and causes of disabilities, curriculum and/or methods of teaching blind or partially sighted children, including typewriting and Braille, resources and community agencies available for teaching the handicapped.

3. Deaf or hard of hearing: Candidates for this endorsement must complete eighteen semester-hour credits in the education of the handicapped, twelve semester-hour credits in education electives, and student teaching. The eighteen credits in education of the handicapped must include study in each of the following areas: nature and causes of disabilities, curriculum and/or methods of teaching speech, speech reading, and language to the deaf or hard of hearing, resources and community agencies available in teaching the handicapped.

(b) The student teaching requirements in the fields of special education shall be waived for those candidates who:

1. Hold a valid standard New Jersey instructional certificate in another field; or

2. Present a baccalaureate degree, a valid regular certificate from another state, and evidence of at least one year of successful teaching experience in the other state; or

3. Have completed three years of successful classroom teaching experience in an approved or recognized school prior to the acceptance of public school employment in New Jersey; or

4. Have completed two consecutive years of successful teaching experience under an emergency certificate in a New Jersey public school district.

New Rule, R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Case Notes

Nontenured person was not entitled to position as a learning disabilities teaching consultant over tenured teaching staff member who was certified as a learning disabilities teaching consultant but had not served

the requisite probationary period in tenure in that particular position. *Ellicott v. Board of Educ. of Tp. of Frankford, Sussex County*, 251 N.J.Super. 342, 598 A.2d 237 (A.D.1991).

6:11-8.4 Bilingual/bicultural education

(a) Each candidate for the provisional certificate in the field of bilingual/bicultural education shall:

1. Possess or be eligible for a standard or provisional New Jersey instructional certificate appropriate to the subject or grade level to be taught;
2. Pass a State test of English communication skills; and
3. Obtain an offer of employment in a position that requires the endorsement, teacher of bilingual/bicultural education.

(b) Applicants who meet the requirements in (a)1 and 2 above shall be issued Certificates of Eligibility which will permit them to seek and accept employment in positions requiring certification as a teacher of bilingual/bicultural education.

(c) No person shall be employed under provisional certification for more than two years in a position requiring certification as a teacher of bilingual/bicultural education.

(d) Certificates of Eligibility with Advanced Standing shall be issued to all persons who have completed formal study and test requirements for bilingual certification pursuant to (e)2 and 3 below but who have never previously served a provisional year or completed a State-approved district training program for any certificate endorsement pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.

(e) Each candidate for the standard certificate in the field of bilingual/bicultural education shall:

1. Possess a standard New Jersey instructional certificate appropriate to the subject or grade level to be taught;
2. Pass a State test of English communication skills; and
3. Complete at least six credit hours of college coursework or 90 clock hours of district-based formal training in the following topics: the historical and cultural backgrounds of limited English proficient students, the specialized instructional content of bilingual education, and techniques of teaching bilingual students. Those candidates who complete this requirement while serving as a provisionally certified bilingual education teacher shall be supervised by a support team pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.

(f) Requirements (a) through (f) above are effective September 1, 1991.

R.1975 d.306, effective October 20, 1975.

See: 7 N.J.R. 402(a), 7 N.J.R. 498(d).

Amended by R.1976 d.289, effective September 15, 1976.

See: 8 N.J.R. 372(a), 8 N.J.R. 459(b).

Amended by R.1984 d.469, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Section recodified from 8.8 with substantial amendments.

Repeal and New Rule, R.1989 d.615, effective December 18, 1989.

See: 21 N.J.R. 2721(a), 21 N.J.R. 3937(a).

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Added (f), effective date.

Case Notes

Department of Education's regulatory amendments shifting testing of bilingual teaching candidate's foreign language proficiency under Bilingual Education Act from state to local school district are valid. *Matter of Adoption of Amendments to N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.4 and N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.5*, 249 N.J.Super. 52, 592 A.2d 9 (A.D.1991), certification denied 127 N.J. 551, 606 A.2d 364.

6:11-8.5 English as a second language

(a) Each candidate for the provisional certificate in the field of teaching English as a second language shall:

1. Hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university;
2. Pass a State test of English communication skills; and
3. Obtain an offer of employment in a position that requires the endorsement, teacher of English as a second language.

(b) Applicants who meet the requirements in (a)1 and 2 above shall be issued Certificates of Eligibility which will permit them to seek and accept employment in positions requiring certification as a teacher of English as a second language.

(c) Certificates of Eligibility with Advanced Standing shall be issued to all persons who meet the test requirement pursuant to (a)2 above and who have completed a college program approved by the New Jersey Department of Education for the preparation of teachers of English as a second language.

(d) Each candidate for the standard certificate in the field of teaching English as a second language shall:

1. Possess a provisional certificate pursuant to (a)1-3 above;
2. Pass a State test of basic communication skills;
3. Complete a State-approved district training program pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-5; and
4. Complete twelve credits or 180 clock hours of formal instruction in the following topics: the historical and cultural backgrounds of limited English proficient students, the specialized instructional content of ESL education, and techniques of teaching English as a second language. This requirement shall not apply to candidates who are holders of Certificates of Eligibility with Advanced Standing pursuant to (c) above.

(e) Requirements (d)1 and 3 above shall not apply to persons who hold New Jersey instructional certificates in other teaching fields. However, such already-certified teachers may meet requirement (d)3 above working under provisional ESL certification under the supervision of a support team pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.

(f) Requirements (a) through (f) above are effective September 1, 1991.

R.1975 d.297, effective October 6, 1975.

See: 7 N.J.R. 401(c), 7 N.J.R. 498(c).

Amended by R.1976 d.288, effective September 15, 1976.

See: 8 N.J.R. 373(a), 8 N.J.R. 459(a).

Amended by R.1984 d.469, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

Section substantially amended. Recodified from 8.9 "Teaching English as a second language."

Repeal and New Rule, R.1989 d.615, effective December 18, 1989.

See: 21 N.J.R. 2721(a), 21 N.J.R. 3937(a).

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Added (f), effective date.

Case Notes

Department of Education's regulatory amendments shifting testing of bilingual teaching candidate's foreign language proficiency under Bilingual Education Act from state to local school district are valid. Matter of Adoption of Amendments to N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.4 and N.J.A.C. 6:11-8.5, 249 N.J.Super. 52, 592 A.2d 9 (A.D.1991), certification denied 127 N.J. 551, 606 A.2d 364.

6:11-8.6 Driver education

(a) Candidates for the standard driver education endorsement shall possess another standard New Jersey instructional certificate, hold a valid New Jersey driver's license, possess three years of automobile driving experience, and complete a training program approved by the State Department of Education pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-7.1.

(b) Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:26-2, holders of a driving instructor license issued by the New Jersey Department of Motor Vehicles may be employed to provide behind-the-wheel driver education in public schools. Such persons shall not provide classroom instruction in driver education.

Repealed by R.1973 d.19, effective January 10, 1973.

See: 4 N.J.R. 300(c), 5 N.J.R. 36(b).

Formerly Jr. High School teacher certification.

New Rule, R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

6:11-8.7 Military science

Applicants for standard military science endorsement shall possess 20 years of military service and a positive recommendation from the branch of the service in which they served. Holders of this endorsement shall obtain additional endorsements to the instructional certificate by meeting all requirements of N.J.A.C. 6:11-5.

Repealed by R.1984 d.469, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Originally "Military Science".

New Rule, R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

6:11-8.8 (Reserved)

R.1975 d.306, effective October 20, 1975.

See: 7 N.J.R. 402(a), 7 N.J.R. 498(d).

As amended, R.1976 d.289, effective September 15, 1976.

See: 8 N.J.R. 372(a), 8 N.J.R. 459(b).

As amended, R.1984 d.469, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Section was "Bilingual/bicultural education", recodified to 8.4.

6:11-8.9 (Reserved)

R.1975 d.297, effective October 6, 1975.

See: 7 N.J.R. 401(c), 7 N.J.R. 498(c).

As amended, R.1976 d.288, effective September 15, 1976.

See: 8 N.J.R. 373(a), 8 N.J.R. 459(a).

As amended, R.1984 d.489, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Section was "Teaching English as a second language", recodified to 8.5.

6:11-8.10 (Reserved)

R.1975 d.276, effective September 18, 1975.

See: 7 N.J.R. 355(b), 7 N.J.R. 460(b).

As amended, R.1984 d.489, effective October 15, 1984 (operative September 1, 1985).

See: 16 N.J.R. 1646(a), 16 N.J.R. 2788(a).

Section originally "Teaching of psychology; certification endorsement".

SUBCHAPTER 9. REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE CERTIFICATION

Subchapter Historical Note

Public Notice: Public testimony session. See: 22 N.J.R. 65(a).

6:11-9.1 Use of standards

(a) These standards will be used by the Bureau of Teacher Preparation and Certification in the following ways:

1. As a basis for approving college preparation programs for administrative and supervisory personnel.
2. As the basis for evaluating the eligibility of candidates for administrative or supervisory certification.
3. As the basis for defining the nature and extent of experience background required for administrative and supervisory certificates.

Amended by R.1988 d.491, effective October 17, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 1320(c), 20 N.J.R. 2567(a).

Substantially amended.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-10.1 by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Rule formerly at this cite was repealed as part of this rulemaking.

6:11-9.2 College degrees

(a) Except when specifically indicated below, the following requirements apply to all programs leading to a New Jersey administrative or supervisory certificate.

1. Master's degree:

i. Approved programs, except where noted otherwise, will lead to a master's degree.

ii. Where authorized below, non-degree certificate programs may be designed for students who already hold master's degrees. Such certificate programs must be approved by the New Jersey State Department of Education.

2. College accreditation:

i. Except as indicated below, degrees will be recognized for purposes of administrative and supervisory certification in New Jersey from colleges and/or programs accredited or approved by the state in which the college exists.

ii. Transfer of credit from one college to another shall be determined by the policies of the colleges involved.

Amended by R.1988 d.491, effective October 17, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 1320(c), 20 N.J.R. 2567(a).

Substantially amended.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-10.2 by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Rule formerly at this cite was repealed as part of this rulemaking.

Case Notes

Standards do not apply retroactively. *Convery v. Perth Amboy Bd. of Ed., Middlesex*, 1974 S.L.D. 372.

6:11-9.3 Authorization

(a) School administrator: This endorsement is required for any position that involves services as a district-level administrative officer. Such positions shall include superintendent, assistant superintendent, executive superintendent and director. Holders of this endorsement are authorized to direct the formulation of district goals, plans, policies, and budgets, to recommend their approval by the district board of education, and to direct their district-wide implementation. Holders of this endorsement are authorized to recommend all staff appointments and other personnel actions, such as terminations, suspensions, and compensation, including the appointment of school business administrators, for approval by the district board of education. Holders of this endorsement are authorized to direct district operations and programs, and to supervise and evaluate building administrators and central office staff, including school business administrators. They are also authorized to oversee the administration and supervision of school-level operations, staff and programs.

(b) Principal: This endorsement is required for any position that involves service as an administrative officer of a school or other comparable unit within a school or district. Such positions shall include assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction, principal, assistant principal, vice-principal and director. Holders of this endorsement are authorized to direct the formulation of goals, plans, policies, budgets and personnel actions of the school or other comparable unit, to recommend them to the chief district administrator, and to direct their implementation in the school or other comparable unit. Holders of this endorsement also are authorized to direct and supervise all school operations and programs, to evaluate school staff, including teaching staff members pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:3-1.19 and 1.21, and to direct the activities of school-level supervisors.

(c) Supervisor: This endorsement is required for supervisors of instruction who do not hold a school administrator's or principal's endorsement. The supervisor shall be defined as any school officer who is charged with authority and responsibility for the continuing direction and guidance of the work of instructional personnel. This endorsement also authorizes appointment as an assistant superintendent in charge of curriculum and/or instruction.

(d) School business administrator: This endorsement authorizes the holder to perform duties at the district level in the areas of financial budget planning and administration, insurance/risk administration, purchasing and financial accounting and reporting, and may include other responsibilities such as: plant planning, construction and maintenance; personnel administration; administration of transportation and food services; and central data processing.

As amended, R.1976, d.186, eff. June 11, 1976.

See: 8 N.J.R. 216(a), 8 N.J.R. 327(a).

Amended by R.1988 d.491, effective October 17, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 1320(c), 20 N.J.R. 2567(a).

Substituted "endorsement" for "certification".

Amended by R.1990 d.47, effective January 16, 1990.

See: 21 N.J.R. 2915(a), 22 N.J.R. 174(a).

Clarified, for purposes of certification, the basic job functions that holders of the endorsement are eligible to perform; deleted (d) and recodified (e) to (d).

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-10.4; (a) and (b) repealed and replaced.

Law Review and Journal Commentaries

Education. Judith Nallin, 138 N.J.L.J. No. 2, 62 (1994).

Case Notes

Monitoring regulations are designed to evaluate performance. *Rotondo v. Carlstadt-East Rutherford Regional High School Dist., Bergen County*, 276 N.J.Super. 36, 647 A.2d 174 (A.D.1994).

Board was not bound to follow recommendation of chief school administrator regarding reemployment of teacher. *Rotondo v. Carlstadt-East Rutherford Regional High School Dist., Bergen County*, 276 N.J.Super. 36, 647 A.2d 174 (A.D.1994).

Service as guidance counselor under educational services certification did not automatically entitle tenured guidance counselor to tenure in new position which fell under both educational services and administrative certificates; requirement of dual certification and service in position under particular certificate as basis for tenure under that certificate was not unreasonable, arbitrary or capricious. *Dennery v. Board of Educ. of Passaic County Regional High School Dist. No. 1, Passaic County*, 131 N.J. 626, 622 A.2d 858 (1993).

If newly created position is similar to tenure holder's abolished position but also requires additional or different responsibilities, newly created position is not considered substantially similar to former position for purposes of determining whether local board must extend tenure holder's tenure rights to new position. *Dennery v. Board of Educ. of Passaic County Regional High School Dist. No. 1, Passaic County*, 131 N.J. 626, 622 A.2d 858 (1993).

Evidence supported State Board of Education determination that school district had legitimate basis for restructuring guidance department so as to eliminate position of guidance counselor, which required education services certification, and to create new position of class supervisor, which required certification in both educational services and administration. *Dennery v. Board of Educ. of Passaic County Regional High School Dist. No. 1, Passaic County*, 131 N.J. 626, 622 A.2d 858 (1993).

Where newly created position of class supervisor required performance of additional duties apart from those performed by tenured guidance counselor, guidance counselor, who had acquired tenure in her position under educational services certificate, was not entitled to tenure rights to newly created position which required certification under both educational services and administration. *Dennery v. Board of Educ. of Passaic County Regional High School Dist. No. 1, Passaic County*, 131 N.J. 626, 622 A.2d 858 (1993).

Former superintendent's tenure protection extended to any assistant superintendent assignment within scope of his certificate. *Kaprow v. Board of Educ. of Berkeley Tp.*, 255 N.J.Super. 76, 604 A.2d 640 (A.D.1992), certification granted 130 N.J. 16, 611 A.2d 654, affirmed 131 N.J. 572, 622 A.2d 237.

Petitioner holding necessary certificate entitled to assistant superintendent position notwithstanding revocation of administrator's certificate. *Fischbach v. Bd. of Ed., North Bergen*, 7 N.J.A.R. 191 (1984), affirmed per curiam Dkt. No. A-5947-83 (App.Div.1984).

Tenure rights of elementary school principal not violated by transfer to position as secondary school principal; board's right of lateral transfer properly exercised as principal had tenure and sustained no salary reduction. *Stranzl v. Bd. of Ed., Paterson, Passaic Cty.*, 2 N.J.A.R. 16 (1980).

Local board policy setting first year administrator's salary at 20 percent over his teaching salary on promotion date valid; varying interpretation of policy as to date of salary determination proper. *Schell v. Bd. of Ed., Hazlet Twp., Monmouth Cty.*, 2 N.J.A.R. 116 (1980), affirmed per curiam Docket No. A-3837-79 (App.Div.1981).

Scope of principal certification. *DiNunzio v. Bd. of Ed., Pemberton, Burlington Cty.*, 1977 S.L.D. 843, 1979 S.L.D. 819.

Nature of supervisor's role and necessity of local board's knowledge of that role. *Wilson v. Bd. of Ed., New Brunswick, Middlesex Cty.*, 1977 S.L.D. 555.

Provision applied in tenure matter. *Boeshore v. Bd. of Ed., Tp. of N. Bergen, Hudson Cty.*, 1974 S.L.D. 804.

6:11-9.4 School administrator

(a) Each candidate for the provisional certificate as a school administrator shall be required to:

1. Hold a master's degree or its equivalent from an accredited institution in one of the recognized fields of leadership or management, such as educational adminis-

tration, public administration, business administration, leadership or management science. Study shall be completed, either within the master's program or in addition to it, in each of the following topics:

- i. Leadership and human resource management;
- ii. Communications;
- iii. Quantitative decision-making;
- iv. Finance; and
- v. Law;

2. Pass a State written examination of knowledge that is acquired through study of the topics listed in (a)1i through v above, and that is most directly related to the functions of superintendents as defined in N.J.A.C. 6:11-9.3(a);

3. Undergo an assessment of performance, conducted by State-approved assessors, through structured exercises that simulate the duties of superintendents, and authorize the release of the written results of this assessment to potential employers; and

4. Obtain an offer of employment in a position requiring the School Administrator endorsement in a district that has reviewed the candidate's assessment report.

(b) Each candidate for the standard certificate as school administrator shall be required to:

1. Possess a provisional certificate pursuant to (a) above; and

2. Complete a one-year State-approved district residency program while employed under provisional certification. The residency program shall:

i. Be conducted in accordance with a standard agreement issued by the State Department of Education and entered into by the Department, the employing school district, the candidate and the residency mentor;

ii. Be administered by a State-appointed mentor who is an experienced administrator who has completed a State-approved orientation and training program, and who shall supervise and verify completion of all required experiences and training by the candidate;

iii. Include a pre-residency training component that shall be completed before the candidate assumes full responsibility for the duties of his or her position. The pre-residency phase shall provide no fewer than 300 clock hours of structured exposures to important aspects of school administration. The State Department of Education shall, at the recommendation of the mentor and the employing district board of education, prescribe the content of each pre-residency. Such prescription shall be based upon the candidate's background experiences and shall be specified in the standard written agreement pursuant to (b)2i above. For

candidates who lack practical teaching competency, the 300 hours of structured exposures to important aspects of school administration shall consist of teaching and teaching-related experiences. The pre-residency shall take place in a functioning district environment;

iv. Provide approximately 135 clock hours of training and instruction in the areas of district planning and policy formulation; board of education operations and relations; district financial, legal and business operations; management of district operations; school facilities; labor relations and collective bargaining; collegial management, participatory decision-making and professional governance; government and community relations; school law; supervision of districtwide programs of curriculum, instruction and student services; and the roles, supervision and evaluation of central office staff and school principals. Of the required 135 clock hours of formal instruction, 45 hours shall be completed during the pre-residency phase; and

v. Provide the mentor, candidate and school district with opportunities to propose modifications to the standard residency agreement for approval by the State Department of Education.

(c) Each candidate for the school administrator standard certificate shall be evaluated formally by the mentor on at least three occasions for purposes of certification. The first two evaluations shall be conducted mainly for diagnostic purposes. The final evaluation shall be the basis for issuance of the candidate's standard certificate. All evaluations shall be conducted in accord with State criteria and reported on State-developed forms. The mentor shall discuss each evaluation with the candidate, and the mentor and candidate shall sign each report as evidence of such discussion. Upon completion of each evaluation, the report shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners; the final evaluation shall be accompanied by the recommendation for certification pursuant to (d) below.

(d) Each mentor shall form an advisory panel of practicing educators and shall convene this panel on at least three occasions for purposes of reviewing the resident's progress and soliciting advice concerning the certification of the resident. The State Department of Education shall approve the composition of the advisory panel. The mentor may seek the informal input of the employing district board of education concerning the standard certification of the resident.

(e) The mentor shall meet with the resident superintendent at least once a week during the pre-residency phase and at least once a month during the residency. The mentor shall be available on a regular basis to provide assistance or advice upon request of the resident superintendent. The State Department of Education may require resident superintendents to pay fees to cover the cost of the training and mentoring services that will qualify them for certification and employment. The State Department of Education shall report annually to the State Board of Education all training fees charged to residents.

(f) Standard certification of school administrator certificate candidates shall be approved or disapproved pursuant to the following procedures:

1. Before the end of the residency year, the mentor shall submit to the Division of Teacher Preparation and Certification a comprehensive evaluation report on the candidate's performance using State-approval criteria and forms.

2. This final report shall include one of the following certification recommendations:

- i. Approved: Recommends issuance of a standard certificate;

- ii. Insufficient: Recommends that a standard certificate not be issued but that the candidate be allowed to continue the residency or seek admission to an additional residency for one additional year; or

- iii. Disapproved: Recommends that a standard certificate not be issued and that the candidate be prevented from continuing or re-entering a residency.

3. Mentors act as agents of the State Board of Examiners in formulating their certification recommendations. Those recommendations shall not be subject to review or approval by local boards of education.

4. Candidates who receive a recommendation of "approved" shall be issued a standard certificate.

5. The mentor shall provide the candidate with a copy of the candidate's written evaluation report and recommendation before submitting it to the Division of Teacher Preparation and Certification.

6. If the candidate disagrees with the mentor's recommendation, the candidate may, within 15 days of receipt of the evaluation report and certification recommendation, submit to the mentor written materials documenting the reasons why the candidate believes standard certification should be awarded or a recommendation of insufficient granted. The mentor shall forward all such documentation to the Division of Teacher Preparation and Certification along with the written evaluation report and recommendation for certification. The candidate may contest the unfavorable recommendation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-3.30.

- (g) Candidates who receive a recommendation of "disapproved" or two or more recommendations of "insufficient" may petition to the State Board of Examiners for approval of additional opportunities to seek provisional employment in districts other than those in which they received unfavorable recommendations. The candidate shall be responsible for demonstrating why he or she would be likely to succeed if granted the requested opportunity. Disapproval of any candidate's request by the State Board of Examiners may be appealed to the Commissioner of Education.

- (h) The requirements listed in (a) and (b) above are effective September 1, 1992. The requirements shall not apply to persons who earn the school administrator endorsement before that date.

(i) Persons who are enrolled in formal State-approved New Jersey college preparation programs prior to September 1, 1992 shall be permitted until September 1, 1997 to attain standard certification by completing the college program in which they are enrolled.

New Rule, R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

6:11-9.5 Principal

(a) Each candidate for the provisional certificate as a principal shall:

1. Hold a master's degree or its equivalent from an accredited institution in one of the recognized fields of leadership or management, such as educational administration, public administration, business administration, leadership or management science. Study shall be completed, either within the master's program or in addition to it, in each of the following topics which represent those areas of management that are directly related to education and the principalship. Degree programs may provide study in other areas at the discretion of the sponsoring institution and its faculties;

- i. Leadership and human resource management;
- ii. Communications;
- iii. Quantitative decision-making; and
- iv. Finance and law.

2. Pass a State-administered examination of knowledge in the areas of leadership and human resource management, communication, quantitative decision-making, finance and law. Within these five topical areas, the examination shall assess leadership and management proficiencies that are validated as being most directly relevant to education and the essential duties of school principals;

3. Undergo an assessment of performance, conducted by State-approved assessors through structured exercises which simulate the duties of school principals, and authorize the release of written results to employing districts and schools. In particular, there shall be a formal assessment of each candidate's ability to lead and supervise instruction and curriculum. The State Department of Education shall, with appropriate professional input, develop and validate the criteria, instruments and procedures for conducting such assessments; and

4. Obtain an offer of employment in a position requiring the principal endorsement in a school or district that has agreed formally to sponsor the residency.

(b) Each candidate for the standard certificate as a principal shall:

1. Possess a provisional certificate pursuant to (a) above;
2. Complete a State-approved residency program pursuant to (c) below while employed provisionally in a position requiring the principal endorsement.

(c) The principal residency is a training program conducted under the direction of a State-approved mentor and the sponsorship of the public school district or nonpublic school that employs the certificate candidate.

1. In order to enter a residency program, the certification candidate shall:

- i. Possess a provisional certificate pursuant to (a) above; and
- ii. Obtain an offer of employment in a position requiring the principal endorsement in a district or school which has reviewed the candidate's assessment report and has agreed formally to sponsor the residency.

2. The requirements for State-approval of residency programs are as follows:

- i. The State Department of Education shall issue a standard agreement detailing the experiences and requirements of the residency. This agreement shall be entered into by the Department, the sponsoring district, the residency mentor, and the candidate before the residency may be initiated.

- ii. Sponsoring districts and mentors may propose modifications to the standard residency agreement in order to accommodate the backgrounds and special training needs of individual candidates.

- iii. No residency program may be undertaken without a valid agreement.

3. Each State-approved residency shall provide training in two phases:

- i. Pre-residency experiences of no fewer than 30 days nor more than 60 days duration. This phase shall emphasize professional experiences and training in the areas of instruction/supervision and curriculum/evaluation. The pre-residency phase must be completed before the candidate assumes full responsibility on a provisional basis for a principalship, vice-principalship or other position requiring the principal endorsement. The Department shall, at the recommendation of the mentor and the district superintendent, prescribe the content of each new principal's pre-residency. Such prescription shall be based upon a review of each candidate's assessment reports, background experiences and other information gathered by the mentor and superintendent. The content of each pre-residency shall be specified in the standardized written agreement to be signed by the mentor, the district superintendent, the principal candidate, and approved by the Department.

- (1) For candidates who possess practical teaching competencies but lack practical management competencies, the pre-residency shall consist of management and management-related experiences in the amount of 300 clock hours.

(2) For candidates who possess practical management competencies but lack practical teaching competencies, the pre-residency shall consist of teaching and teaching-related experiences in the amount of 300 clock hours. As a means of obtaining these experiences, the candidate shall be assigned to classroom to teach under a supervising teacher. This assignment shall be similar in format to student teaching and its purpose shall be to provide the candidate with those practical teaching competencies which are essential to lead and manage a school.

(3) For candidates who lack practical competency in both teaching and management, the pre-residency shall be extended until the candidate completes all required experiences in both teaching and management.

(4) For candidates who possess practical competency in both teaching and management, the mentor and district superintendent may request and the Department may prescribe a waiver of the pre-residency.

(5) For candidates who possess partial competence in practical aspects of teaching and/or management, the mentor and district superintendent may request and the Department may prescribe other variations to the pre-residencies described in (b)3i(1) through (4) above.

(6) No candidate shall be certified provisionally or permitted to assume a position that requires the principal endorsement until he or she has successfully completed the pre-residency.

ii. Residency experiences which shall be completed while the candidate is serving as a principal or vice principal. The residency phase shall provide professional experiences and training in the areas of instruction/supervision, curriculum/evaluation, pupil personnel, personnel management, community relations, student relations, facilities management, finance, school law, and technical administrative skills. The Department, with appropriate professional input, shall design standard training exercises which all candidates shall complete in each of these topical areas. The mentor and the district superintendent shall, at the start of the residency, submit to the Department a written supplementary recommendation concerning any standard exercises that should be waived and any additional teaching or other special experiences, if any, that the individual candidate should complete before achieving standard certification. Such recommendations shall be submitted on State-developed forms and shall take into account strengths and weaknesses identified in the candidate's assessment reports and backgrounds. The Department shall direct the candidate to complete any such special experiences as appropriate.

iii. Unless candidates' assessment reports indicate an extraordinary circumstance with respect to teaching competencies, those with less than a year of teaching in their backgrounds shall be involved in teaching and teaching-related experiences on a regular basis for no less than one year and up to the two years maximum duration of the residency. The maximum two-year residency teaching requirement applies to those candidates who have no teaching experience in their backgrounds. Teaching on a regular basis in the residency means teaching one class period per day on a continuous basis. Teaching-related experiences means those activities that normally are associated with teaching a class on a continuous basis, such as planning lessons, grading papers, filling out report cards and meeting with parents. Each residency program shall assure that the resident acquires sufficient familiarity with the teaching process to lead and manage in the school setting. Each residency agreement entered pursuant to (b)2 above shall include in its prescription appropriate amounts and types of classroom teaching and teaching-related experiences in both the pre-residency and residency phases. The nature and amount of such experiences shall be determined in consideration of the resident's prior experiences and shall be accorded an appropriate place among other important training needs and priorities identified for the individual resident. The residency shall provide at least one experience in an elementary school and at least one experience in a secondary school. The residency phase shall be completed in no less than one year nor more than two years.

iv. Each candidate shall complete 45 clock hours of formal study in the supervision of instruction and curriculum during the pre-residency. This formal study shall be divided equally between orienting the candidate to the employing district and its curriculum and providing the candidate with that knowledge of the instructional process that will enable him or her to carry out the requirements of the residency. Each candidate shall complete 90 additional hours of formal study during the residency in the following topics: supervision of instruction and curriculum, pupil personnel services, school personnel management, community relations, student relations, school facilities management, school finance, school law and technical administrative skills.

4. Each residency shall be under the direction of a mentor who is a certified, experienced principal appointed by the Department and who has completed a State-approved orientation and training program.

5. The mentor shall supervise and verify the completion of all required experiences and training by the resident.

i. The primary responsibility of the mentor is to assure that the resident receives appropriate training, supervision and support in the areas of supervision of instruction and personnel management.

ii. The mentor shall evaluate each resident's ability to exhibit leadership and management capabilities in accord with State-established criteria, on State-developed instruments.

iii. Each mentor shall, with State approval, form an advisory panel of practicing educators and shall convene this panel on at least three occasions for purposes of reviewing the resident's progress and soliciting advice concerning the certification of the resident.

iv. Each resident shall be evaluated formally by the mentor on at least three occasions: after approximately three months, six months and nine months from the start of the residency. The first two of these evaluations shall be conducted mainly for diagnostic purposes while the final evaluation shall be the basis for recommending the residents' certification. Such evaluation shall be conducted in accord with State criteria and reported on State-developed forms. The mentor shall discuss each evaluation report with the resident, and the mentor and resident shall sign each report as evidence of such discussion. Upon completion of each evaluation, the report shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners; the final evaluation shall be accompanied by the recommendation for certification pursuant to (b)6 below.

v. Each mentor shall be responsible for supervising no more than three residents concurrently.

6. Standard certification of residents shall be approved or disapproved pursuant to the following procedures:

i. Before the end of the residency year, the mentor shall submit to the Division of Teacher Preparation and Certification a comprehensive evaluation report on the resident's performance using State-approved forms and criteria.

ii. This final report shall include one of the following certification recommendations:

(1) Approved: Recommends issuance of a standard certificate;

(2) Insufficient: Recommends that a standard certificate not be issued but that the candidate be allowed to continue the residency or seek admission to another residency for a maximum of one additional year; or

(3) Disapproved: Recommends that a standard certificate not be issued and that the candidate be prohibited from continuing or re-entering a residency.

iii. Candidates who receive a recommendation of "approved" shall be issued a standard certificate.

iv. The mentor shall provide the resident principal with a copy of the resident principal's written evaluation report and certification recommendation before submitting it to the Bureau of Teacher Preparation and Certification.

v. If the resident principal disagrees with the mentor's recommendation, the resident principal may within 15 days of receipt of the evaluation report and certification recommendation submit to the mentor written materials documenting the reasons why the resident principal believes standard certification should be awarded or a recommendation of insufficient granted. The mentor shall forward all such documentation to the Division of Teacher Preparation and Certification along with the written evaluation report and recommendation for certification.

(d) The requirements listed in (a) and (b) above shall not apply to persons who obtain New Jersey principal endorsements prior to October 1, 1988; and

(e) Persons who can document that they enrolled, before October 1, 1988, in a New Jersey college program approved by the Department for the preparation of principals, may elect to complete the program in which they are enrolled in lieu of requirement N.J.A.C. (a)1. above. However, such persons must meet all other requirements of N.J.A.C. 6:11-9.5.

Amended by R.1988 d.491, effective October 17, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 1320(c), 20 N.J.R. 2567(a).

Deleted old text and substituted new.

Amended by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-10.8, added new (a) regarding provisional certificate and internally recodified (a)-(d) as (b)-(e); old (e) repealed.

6:11-9.6 Supervisor

(a) Successful completion of one of the following are required for supervisors:

1. A college curriculum approved by the New Jersey Department of Education as the basis for issuing this endorsement; or

2. A program of college studies including 12 semester hours of graduate study in supervision and curriculum development. Included in this study must be at least one course in the general principles of staff supervision, and one course in the general principles of curriculum development and evaluation. The additional work may be oriented directly toward supervision and curriculum development in particular grade levels, or in specific subject fields.

3. When candidates have completed their preparation for this endorsement in an out-of-State college or univer-

sity, a master's degree in educational administration or supervision from a program accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) will be accepted as meeting the college study requirements indicated above.

4. A standard New Jersey teacher's certificate or its equivalent, and three years of successful teaching experience. Experience in New Jersey public schools must have been completed under an appropriate New Jersey teacher's certificate or its equivalent.

Amended by R.1988 d.491, effective October 17, 1988.

See: 20 N.J.R. 1320(c), 20 N.J.R. 2567(a).

Added (a)4.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-10.9 by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

6:11-9.7 School business administrator

(a) Each candidate for the provisional certificate of school business administrator shall be required to:

1. Hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university, including at least 15 credits of study in the following areas of business administration:

i. The economic and legal environment as it pertains to profit and nonprofit organizations along with ethical considerations and social and political influences on organizations;

ii. Concepts and applications of accounting, quantitative methods, and management information systems including computer applications;

iii. Organizational theory, behavior and interpersonal communications;

iv. Administrative processes under conditions of uncertainty including the integration of analyses and policy determinations at the overall management level; and

v. Concepts, processes and institutions in the production and marketing of goods and services and the financing of the business enterprise or other forms of organization.

vi. A bachelor's or master's degree in a recognized field of administration shall be accepted as meeting the requirements in (a)1i through v above.

2. Pass a written examination of knowledge that is acquired through study of the topics in (a)1i through v above and that is most directly related to the functions of school business administrators as defined in N.J.A.C. 6:11-10.4(d);

3. Obtain and accept an offer of employment in a position that requires the School Business Administrator endorsement; and

4. Applicants who meet the requirements in (a)1 and 2 above shall be issued Certificates of Eligibility which will permit them to seek and accept provisional employment in positions that require the School Business Administrator endorsement.

(b) Each candidate for the standard certificate of School Business Administrator shall be required to:

1. Possess a provisional certificate pursuant to (a)1-4. above; and

2. Complete a one-year State-approved district residency program while employed under provisional certification. The district residency program shall:

i. Be conducted in accordance with a standard agreement issued by the State Department of Education and entered into by the Department, the employing school district, the candidate and the residency mentor;

ii. Be administered by a State-appointed mentor who is an experienced administrator who has completed a State-approved orientation and training program, and who shall supervise and verify completion of all required experiences and training by the candidate;

iii. Include a pre-residency component that shall emphasize professional experiences and training that must be completed before the candidate assumes full responsibility on a provisional basis for a position requiring the school business administrator endorsement. The Department shall, based on the recommendation of the mentor, prescribe the content and duration of each candidate's pre-residency. Such prescription shall be based upon a review of each candidate's academic records, assessment reports, background experiences and other information gathered by the mentor and the candidate. The content of each pre-residency shall be specified in the standard written agreement to be signed by the mentor, the district superintendent, the candidate and approved by the Department (see (b)2i above);

iv. Provide approximately 135 clock hours of training and instruction in the areas of school plant planning, construction and administration; school financial and legal practices including double entry-GAAP accounting; pupil transportation; labor relations and personnel; insurance/risk administration; and food service administration; and

v. Provide the mentor, candidate and school district with opportunities to propose modifications to the standard residency agreement for approval by the State Department of Education.

(c) Each candidate for the standard certificate shall be evaluated formally by the mentor on at least three occasions for purposes of certification.

ii. The program should also include opportunities to study, perhaps on an elective basis in areas closely related to learning disabilities, such as group dynamics; methods and materials for teaching the emotionally and socially maladjusted; curriculum development in the teaching of the handicapped; teaching of reading; interviewing and counseling; educational psychology; and community resources.

iii. The program must include a college supervised practicum in diagnosis and remediation of learning disabilities in school and clinical situations. The definition and nature of this practicum, and the courses in which it will be provided, should be clear in the program description. The practicum should provide for a minimum of 90 clock hours of college supervised experience.

iv. Prior to completion of the certificate program, the student must hold a regular New Jersey teacher's certificate and submit evidence of three years of successful teaching experience.

As amended, R.1984 d.432, eff. October 1, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 1841(a), 16 N.J.R. 2523(a).

(b)5iii deleted.

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-12.15 by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

6:11-11.14 School occupational therapist

(a) This endorsement is required for service as an occupational therapist in elementary and secondary schools.

(b) The requirements are:

1. A bachelor's degree based upon a four-year curriculum in an accredited college;
2. Graduation from an approved school of occupational therapy.

As amended, R.1984 d.432, eff. October 1, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 1841(a), 16 N.J.R. 2523(a).

"endorsement" substituted for "certificate."

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-12.16 by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

6:11-11.15 School physical therapist

(a) This endorsement is required for service as a physical therapist in elementary and secondary schools.

(b) The requirements are:

1. A bachelor's degree based upon a four-year curriculum in an accredited college;
2. Graduation from a curriculum in physical therapy in an approved school.

As amended, R.1984 d.432, eff. October 1, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 1841(a), 16 N.J.R. 2523(a).

"endorsement" substituted for "certificate."

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-12.17 by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

6:11-11.16 Reading specialist

(a) This endorsement is required for service as a reading specialist in public school district.

(b) A reading specialist is one who conducts in-service training of teachers and administrators, coordinates instruction for individuals or groups of pupils having difficulty learning to read, diagnoses the nature and cause of individual's difficulty in learning to read, plans developmental programs in reading for all pupils, recommends methods and material to be used in the district reading program, and contributes to the evaluation of the reading achievement of pupils.

(c) The requirements are:

1. A standard New Jersey certificate in any instructional area;
2. Two years of successful teaching experience;
3. Successful completion of a graduate degree program in reading approved by the New Jersey State Department of Education; or
4. A program of graduate studies of 30 semester hours or equivalent consisting of the following:
 - i. Reading foundations;
 - ii. Diagnosis;
 - iii. Correction of reading problems;
 - iv. Supervised practicum in reading; plus
 - v. Study in at least three areas from the following:
 - (1) Children's or adolescent literature;
 - (2) Measurement;
 - (3) Organization of reading programs;
 - (4) Psychology;
 - (5) Supervision;
 - (6) Linguistics.

R.1973 d.20, eff. January 10, 1973.

See: 4 N.J.R. 301(a), 5 N.J.R. 36(c).

As amended, R.1984 d.432, eff. October 1, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 1841(a), 16 N.J.R. 2523(a).

Substituted "endorsement" for "certificate". Deleted ", effective for new applicants after July 1, 1975,".

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-12.20 by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

6:11-11.17 Educational media specialist

(a) This endorsement is required for any person who is assigned to develop and coordinate educational media services in the public schools. Educational media are defined

as all print and nonprint resources and the equipment needed for their use.

(b) The requirements are:

1. A master's degree from an accredited institution;
2. A standard New Jersey teacher's certificate or associate educational media specialist endorsement;
3. One year of successful teaching or one year of experience as an associate educational media specialist;
4. Successful completion of one of the following:
 - i. A graduate curriculum approved by the New Jersey State Department of Education as the basis for issuing this endorsement; or
 - ii. A minimum of 30 semester-hour credits of post-baccalaureate studies. Courses completed in the candidate's graduate degree program may be applied toward fulfilling these requirements. The following areas of study must be included in either separate or integrated courses:
 - (1) Organization and coordination of school media services and materials;
 - (2) Application of learning theory in reading, listening and viewing educational media materials;
 - (3) Design and development of educational media programs;
 - (4) Design and development of educational media materials;
 - (5) Integration of educational media through the school curriculum;
 - (6) Evaluation, selection and utilization of educational media;
 - (7) Development of individual and group processes in the media program;
 - (8) Field experience in a school media program.

(c) The following standards pertain to programs preparing persons to develop and coordinate educational media services in the public schools. These individuals are concerned with the improvement of the learning process and instruction through the evaluation, selection, organization, distribution, production, and utilization of appropriate print and nonprint resources and the equipment needed for their use. The educational media specialist provides direction to educational activities in areas related to and within the educational media services programs:

1. The program shall provide growth opportunities to assure that candidates acquire a broad cultural and intellectual background.
2. The program shall provide for learning experiences in:

- i. Analysis of the nature and content of instructional materials;
 - ii. Methods of selecting and evaluating materials through the study of individual media as well as through cross media study by curriculum unit or grade level;
 - iii. Methods of utilization of materials to support curriculum and meet students' needs;
 - iv. Methods of production of appropriate educational media including actual laboratory experiences;
 - v. Processes for the organization and maintenance of materials and equipment;
 - vi. Identification of learning strategies of pupils;
 - vii. Evaluation of the learner's instructional media requirements;
 - viii. Design and development of educational media programs;
 - ix. Design and development of educational media resources;
 - x. Development of individual and group processes in the media program.
3. The program shall assure increased comprehension of the principles of curriculum, and the application of instructional media techniques to the curriculum.
 4. The program shall require field experiences in a school media center. Prior field experience in educational media may be accepted in lieu of this requirement.
 5. The program shall provide experiences and understanding of expanding services, such as extending the use of the media center, television, microforms, and other forms of technology as may become appropriate for school media use.

R.1975 d.123, eff. May 16, 1975.

See: 7 N.J.R. 138(a), 7 N.J.R. 251(b).

As amended, R.1984 d.432, eff. October 1, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 1841(a), 16 N.J.R. 2523(a).

"endorsement" substituted for "certificate."

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 6:11-12.21 by R.1990 d.510, effective October 15, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1873(a), 22 N.J.R. 3240(a).

Case Notes

It was not abuse of discretion to deny educational media specialist certification to applicant; experience could not be substituted for course and program requirements. *Zaza v. State Board of Examiners*, 93 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 351.

Educational Media Specialist Certificate; course and student teaching requirements. *Cairolì v. New Jersey State Board of Examiners*, Department of Education, 92 N.J.A.R.2d (EDU) 206.