

Except for those candidates who receive approval pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:9-17.17(d), a candidate who receives a second insufficient is precluded from continuing or re-entering a residency; or

3. Disapproved: Recommends that a standard educational services certificate with a SLMS endorsement not be issued and that the candidate is precluded from continuing or re-entering a residency.

(h) If the candidate disagrees with the residency supervisor's recommendation, the candidate may appeal the recommendation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:9-17.17.

(i) The holder of a standard educational services certificate with an associate school library media specialist endorsement is eligible for the SLMS upon completion of the requirements in (b)3 above.

(j) An emergency certificate may be issued to a candidate who has a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university and has completed a minimum of 12 graduate-level semester-hour credits in school library media.

(k) Candidates in possession of a written evaluation completed by the office prior to January 20, 2004 will have until January 20, 2009 to complete the requirements set forth in the written evaluation.

(l) The following individuals are eligible to receive the standard SLMS endorsement:

1. Those holding a permanent New Jersey school librarian or standard educational media specialist endorsement;

2. Those holding a standard New Jersey instructional certificate or a valid out-of-State instructional license who have completed a graduate degree program in a regionally accredited institution with specialization in school library media studies; or

3. Those holding a standard New Jersey Associate School Library Media Specialist (ASLMS) endorsement who have completed a graduate degree program at a regionally accredited college or university with specialization in school library media studies.

(m) Individuals holding the school librarian or educational media specialist endorsement may serve in any position requiring the SLMS endorsement.

Amended by R.2006 d.170, effective May 15, 2006.

See: 37 N.J.R. 4612(a), 38 N.J.R. 2126(a).

In (a), inserted "(SLMS)"; in (b), substituted "SLMS CE" for "endorsement"; recodified (b)2 as (b)3, added (b)2; recodified (c) as (e), (d)-(g) as (j)-(m), and deleted (h); added (c), (d), (e)1-(e)4, and (f)-(i); in (e), substituted "SLMS" for "school library media specialist"; rewrote (j); in (l) and (m), substituted "SLMS" for "school media specialist"; in (l)2, substituted "school library media studies" for "library science, school library media, or equivalent media areas".

Amended by R.2008 d.7, effective January 7, 2008.

See: 39 N.J.R. 3441(a), 40 N.J.R. 113(b).

In (l)1, deleted "and" from the end; in (l)2, substituted "; or" for a period at the end; and added (l)3.

### 6A:9-13.15 Associate school library media specialist

(a) The associate school library media specialist (ASLMS) endorsement is required for anyone who serves as a school library media specialist in grades preschool through 12 under the supervision of a certified school administrator, principal or supervisor. The functions include delivery of instruction in information literacy skills, and the development and coordination of school library media programs and resources. The holder also provides instruction in the evaluation, selection, organization, distribution, creation and utilization of school library media. These media are defined as all print, non-print and electronic resources including the technologies needed for their use.

(b) To be eligible for the ASLMS CE, a candidate shall have completed a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university and one of the following:

1. A graduate curriculum approved by the Department as the basis for issuing this certificate; or

2. A program of graduate studies consisting of at least 18 semester-hour credits in a coherent sequence of studies including the following:

i. Access, evaluation, selection and utilization of library media resources;

ii. Organization and coordination of school library media programs, resources and instruction to provide K-12 student with a sequential course of studies;

iii. Children's literature and young adult literature;

iv. Design, development and integration of information literacy skills throughout the school curriculum;

v. Design and development of multi-media materials;

vi. Utilization of current and emergent technologies in all phases of school library media programs; and

vii. A field experience that includes instruction and management. This experience must be completed in a school library media center.

(c) To be eligible for the ASLMS CEAS, a candidate shall complete the requirements outlined in (b) above and one of the following:

1. Hold a standard New Jersey or out-of-State instructional certificate. A military science endorsement shall not satisfy this requirement;

2. Complete a State-approved college teacher preparation program with or without student teaching; or

3. Complete a coherent college program at a regionally accredited college or university that includes a minimum of

nine semester-hour credits in educational theory, curriculum design and integration, teaching methodology, student/learning development, and behavior management.

(d) To be eligible for a provisional educational services certificate with an ASLMS endorsement, the candidate shall:

1. Possess an ASLMS CE or CEAS; and
2. Obtain an offer of employment in a position that requires the ASLMS endorsement.

(e) To be eligible for the standard educational services certificate with an ASLMS endorsement, a candidate shall:

1. Possess a provisional educational services certificate with an ASLMS endorsement pursuant to (d) above;
2. Complete a coherent college program at a regionally accredited college or university that includes a minimum of nine semester-hour credits in educational theory, curriculum design and integration, teaching methodology, student/learning development, and behavior management. Holders of the ASLMS CEAS are exempt from the study requirements; and

3. Complete a year-long school-based residency program in a school library media center. A certified school administrator, principal or supervisor shall provide supervision during the candidate's provisional year. The residency program shall:

i. Consist of a supervised residency that includes professional experiences in the delivery of instruction in information literacy skills and the development and coordination of school library media programs and resources. In addition the residency includes the delivery of instruction in the evaluation, selection, organization, distribution, creation and utilization of school library media. Where possible, the candidate shall be mentored by an experienced school library media specialist throughout the residency; and

ii. Be agreed upon through a residency agreement issued by the Department outlining the responsibilities as set forth in this section and entered into by the Department, the employing school, the candidate and the State-approved residency supervisor.

(f) The State-approved residency supervisor shall have primary responsibility to assure that the candidate receives appropriate training, support, mentoring, practicum experiences and professional opportunities in the critical job responsibilities specified in this section. The residency supervisor shall also evaluate and verify the completion of all required experiences according to the terms and conditions of the residency agreement.

(g) Upon completion of the residency period, the supervisor shall complete a comprehensive evaluation report on the candidate's performance based on the candidate's ability to complete the job duties pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:13-15(a)

above and to implement the theoretical concepts pursuant to (b)2 above. The supervisor shall discuss the evaluation report with the candidate, and the supervisor and candidate shall sign the report as evidence of such discussion. Upon completion of the evaluation, the evaluation shall be submitted to the Office. The evaluation on each candidate shall include one of the following recommendations:

1. Approved: Recommends issuance of a standard educational services certificate with an ASLMS endorsement;

2. Insufficient: Recommends that a standard educational services certificate with an ASLMS endorsement not be issued but that the candidate be allowed to continue the residency or seek admission to an additional residency. Except for those candidates who receive approval pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:9-17.17(d), a candidate who receives a second insufficient is precluded from continuing or re-entering a residency; or

3. Disapproved: Recommends that a standard educational services certificate with an ASLMS endorsement not be issued and that the candidate is precluded from continuing or re-entering a residency.

(h) If the candidate disagrees with the residency supervisor's recommendation, the candidate may appeal the recommendation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:9-17.17.

(i) An emergency certificate may be issued to a candidate who completes a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university and a minimum of six graduate semester hour credits in school library media.

(j) Applicants in possession of a written evaluation completed by the office prior to January 20, 2004 will have until January 20, 2009 to complete the requirements set forth in the written evaluation.

(k) Policies governing the ASLMS endorsement are as follows:

1. Persons holding a standard or permanent New Jersey teacher-librarian or the associate educational media specialist endorsement shall be deemed eligible to receive the ASLMS endorsement.

2. The holder of the teacher-librarian or associate educational media specialist endorsement is eligible to receive an extension of the authorization to include the functions of the ASLMS authorization.

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In (a), inserted "ASLMS"; rewrote (b); recodified (c) as (e), (d) as (i), (e)-(f) as (j)-(k); added (c) and (d); rewrote (e); added (f)-(h); rewrote (i); and in (k), substituted "ASLMS" for "associate school library media specialist" throughout.

#### **6A:9-13.16 School orientation and mobility specialist**

(a) The school orientation and mobility specialist endorsement is required for service as an orientation and mobility