Dear Senators MORTIMER, Thayn, Buckner-Webb, and Representatives VANORDEN, McDonald, Kloc:

The Legislative Services Office, Research and Legislation, has received the enclosed rules of the State Board of and State Department of Education - State Department of Education:

IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1802);
IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1803);
IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1804);
IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1805).

Pursuant to Section 67-454, Idaho Code, a meeting on the enclosed rules may be called by the cochairmen or by two (2) or more members of the subcommittee giving oral or written notice to Research and Legislation no later than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to call a meeting on the enclosed rules is no later than 12/06/2018. If a meeting is called, the subcommittee must hold the meeting within forty-two (42) days of receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to hold a meeting on the enclosed rules is 01/07/2019.

The germane joint subcommittee may request a statement of economic impact with respect to a proposed rule by notifying Research and Legislation. There is no time limit on requesting this statement, and it may be requested whether or not a meeting on the proposed rule is called or after a meeting has been held.

To notify Research and Legislation, call 334-4854, or send a written request to the address on the memorandum attached below.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate Education Committee and the House Education Committee
FROM: Principal Legislative Drafting Attorney - Elizabeth Bowen
DATE: November 16, 2018
SUBJECT: State Board of and State Department of Education - State Department of Education

IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1802)
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Summary and Stated Reasons for the Rule

Docket No. 08-0202-1802: This rule establishes an alternate route to certification for school administrators. Candidates are eligible for certification under this route if they have a graduate degree, four or more years of full-time experience working with K-12 or pre-K students in a position equivalent to a certificated position in Idaho, and endorsement of their qualifications and experience from the hiring school district or charter school. This alternate certification route is being established in order that nontraditional but highly qualified educators may be hired in administrator positions.

Docket No. 08-0202-1803: This rule revises terminology in existing language relating to educator credentials.

Docket No. 08-0202-1804: This rule implements provisions of I.C. 33-1201A by describing evidence of effective teaching sufficient to qualify for professional endorsement in exceptional cases.

Docket No. 08-0202-1805: This rule establishes in rule requirements necessary to obtain occupational specialist endorsements. These requirements already exist in policy but are being added to rule for the sake of transparency.

Negotiated Rulemaking / Fiscal Impact

Negotiated rulemaking was conducted for all four rules, and none is anticipated to have a negative fiscal impact on the state general fund.

Statutory Authority

Docket No. 08-0202-1804 (professional endorsement): I.C. 33-1201A.

cc: State Board of and State Department of Education - State Department of Education
    Tracie Bent

*** PLEASE NOTE ***
Per the Idaho Constitution, all administrative rules must be reviewed by the Legislature during the next legislative session. The Legislature has 3 options with this rulemaking docket: 1) Approve the docket in its entirety; 2) Reject the docket in its entirety; or 3) Reject the docket in part.
AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized pursuant to Article IX, Section 2, Idaho Constitution and under Sections 33-105, 33-107, 33-116, 33-1004B, 33-1201, 33-1201A, 33-1204, and 33-1612, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than October 17, 2018.

The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

The proposed rule will create an alternate route to certification for non-traditional educators to earn an administrator certificate. Initial qualifications for the alternative route include: a graduate degree, assurance from the hiring school district or charter school that the individual is highly and uniquely qualified to serve as a school building administrator and, four (4) or more years of full-time experience working with students grades pre-k–12, in an accredited school setting, in a position equivalent to a certificated position in Idaho.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: None.


INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule: N/A

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Tracie Bent at (208) 332-1582 or tracie.bent@osbe.idaho.gov.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before October 24, 2018.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2018.

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016. IDAHO INTERIM CERTIFICATE.
The State Department of Education or the Division of Career Technical Education, as applicable to the certificate, is authorized to issue a three-year (3) interim certificate to those applicants who hold a valid certificate/license from another state or other entity that participates in the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) Interstate Agreement pursuant to Section 33-4104, Idaho Code, or engaged in an alternate route to certification as prescribed herein. (3-29-17)

01. Interim Certificate Not Renewable. Interim certification is only available on a one-time basis per individual except under extenuating circumstances approved by the State Department of Education. It will be the responsibility of the individual to meet the requirements of the applicable alternate authorization route and to obtain a full Idaho Educator Credential during the term of the interim certificate. (3-29-17)

02. Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course. For all Idaho teachers working on interim certificates, (alternate authorizations, nontraditional routes, reinstatements or coming from out of the state), completion of a state board approved Idaho Comprehensive Literacy course or assessment, or approved secondary equivalent shall be a one-time requirement for full certification. (3-28-18)

a. Those individuals who qualify for an Idaho certificate through state reciprocity shall be granted a three-year, non-renewable interim certificate to allow time to meet the Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course requirement. (3-25-16)

03. Mathematical Thinking for Instruction. For all Idaho teachers or administrators working on interim certificates (alternate authorizations, nontraditional routes, reinstatements or coming from out of the state), with an All Subjects (K-8) endorsement, any mathematics endorsement, Exceptional Child Generalist endorsement, Blended Early Childhood/Early Childhood Special Education endorsement, or Administrator certificate must complete a state board approved Mathematical Thinking for Instruction, or another State Department of Education approved alternative course, as a one-time requirement for full certification. (3-28-18)

04. Technology. Out-of-state applicants may be reviewed by the hiring district for technology deficiencies and may be required to take technology courses to improve their technology skills. (3-28-18)

05. Reinstatement of Expired Certificate. An individual holding an expired Idaho certificate may be issued a nonrenewable three-year interim certificate. During the validity period of the interim certificate, the applicant must meet the following requirements to obtain a full certification during the term of the interim certificate: (3-28-18)

a. Two (2) years’ successful evaluations as per Section 33-1001(14), Idaho Code. (3-28-18)

b. Measured annual progress on specific goals identified on Individualized Professional Learning Plan. (3-28-18)

c. Six (6) credit renewal requirement. (3-28-18)

d. Any applicable requirement for Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course or Mathematical Thinking for Instruction as indicated in Subsections 016.02 and 016.03. (3-28-18)

06. Foreign Institutions. An educator having graduated from a foreign institution may be issued a non-renewable, three-year (3) interim certificate. The applicant must also complete the requirements listed in Section 013 of these rules. (3-28-18)
07. **Codes of Ethics.** All laws and rules governing standard certificated staff with respect to conduct, discipline, and professional standards shall apply to all certified staff serving in an Idaho public school, including those employed under an interim certificate. (3-28-18)

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

021. **ENDORSEMENTS.**

Holders of a Standard Instructional Certificate, Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate, and Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate may be granted endorsements in subject areas as provided herein. Instructional staff are eligible to teach in the grades and content areas of their endorsements. Idaho preparation programs shall prepare candidates for endorsements in accordance with the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. An official statement from the college of education of competency in a teaching area or field is acceptable in lieu of required credits if such statements are created in consultation with the department or division of the accredited college or university in which the competency is established and are approved by the director of teacher education of the recommending college or university. Statements must include the number of credits the competency evaluation is equivalent to. To add an endorsement to an existing credential, an individual shall complete the credit hour requirements as provided herein and shall also meet or exceed the state qualifying score on appropriate, state board approved content, pedagogy and or performance assessments. When converting semester credit hours to quarter credit hours, two (2) semester credit hours is equal to three (3) quarter credit hours. (3-28-18)

01. **Clinical Experience Requirement.** All endorsements require supervised teaching experience in the relevant content area, or a State Department of Education or Division of Career Technical Education approved alternative clinical experience as applicable to the area of endorsement. (3-28-18)

02. **Alternative Authorization to Endorsement.** Candidates shall meet all requirements of the chosen option for the endorsement as provided herein. (3-28-18)

a. Option I -- An official statement from the college of education of competency in a teaching area or field is acceptable in lieu of courses for a teaching field if such statements are created in consultation with the department or division of the accredited college or university in which the competency is established and are approved by the director of teacher education of the recommending college or university. (3-28-18)

b. Option II -- National Board. By earning National Board Certification in content specific areas, teachers may gain endorsement in a corresponding subject area. (3-29-17)

c. Option III -- Master's degree or higher. By earning a graduate degree in a content specific area, candidates may add an endorsement in that same content area to a valid instructional certificate. (3-28-18)

d. Option IV -- Testing and/or Assessment. Two (2) pathways are available to some teachers, depending upon endorsement(s) already held.

i. **Pathway 1 -- Endorsements may be added through state-approved testing and a mentoring component.** The appropriate test must be successfully completed within the first year of authorization in an area closely compatible with an endorsement for which the candidate already qualifies and is experienced. Additionally, requires the successful completion of a one-year state-approved mentoring component; or (3-28-18)

ii. **Pathway 2 -- Endorsements may be added through state-approved testing in an area less closely compatible with an endorsement for which the candidate already qualifies and is experienced.** The appropriate test must be successfully completed within the first year of the authorization. Additionally, requires the successful completion of a one-year state-approved mentoring component and passing a final pedagogy assessment. (3-25-16)

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)
042. ALTERNATE ROUTES TO CERTIFICATION.

The purpose of this program is to provide an alternative for individuals to become certificated teachers in Idaho without following a standard teacher education program. Alternative Routes to Certification shall allow individuals to serve as the teacher of record prior to having earned full certification status. The teacher of record is defined as the person who is primarily responsible for planning instruction, delivering instruction, assessing students formatively and summatively, and designating the final grade. Individuals who are currently employed as Paraprofessionals and, individuals with strong subject matter background but limited experience with educational methodology shall follow the alternate certification requirements provided herein. Individuals who are currently certificated to teach but who are in need of an emergency endorsement in another area may obtain an endorsement through an alternate route as described in Subsection 021.02 of these rules.

01. Alternative Authorization -- Teacher To New Certification. The purpose of this alternative authorization is to allow Idaho school districts to request additional certification when a professional position cannot be filled with someone who has the correct certification. Alternative authorization in this area is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress toward completion of an approved alternative route preparation program. Interim certification is valid for not more than three (3) years total.

a. Prior to application, a candidate must hold a baccalaureate degree, and a valid Idaho instructional certificate. The school district must provide supportive information attesting to the ability of the candidate to fill the position.

b. A candidate must participate in an approved alternative route preparation program.

i. The candidate will work toward completion of the alternative route preparation program through a participating college/university, and the employing school district. The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credits annually to maintain eligibility for renewal; and

ii. The participating college/university shall provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent knowledge, dispositions, and relevant life/work experiences.

02. Alternative Authorization -- Content Specialist. The purpose of this alternative authorization is to offer an expedited route to certification for individuals who are highly and uniquely qualified in a subject area to teach in a district with an identified need for teachers in that area. Alternative authorization in this area is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress toward completion of an approved alternative route preparation program. Interim certification is valid for not more than three (3) years total.

a. Initial Qualifications.

i. A candidate must hold a baccalaureate degree or have completed all of the requirements of a baccalaureate degree except the student teaching or practicum portion; and

ii. The hiring district shall ensure the candidate is qualified to teach in the area of identified need through demonstrated content knowledge. This may be accomplished through a combination of employment experience and education.

b. Alternative Route Preparation Program -- College/University Preparation or Other State Board Approved Certification Program.

i. At the time of authorization a consortium comprised of a designee from the college/university to be attended or other state board approved certification program, and a representative from the school district, and the candidate shall determine the preparation needed to meet the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. This plan must include mentoring and a minimum of one (1) classroom observation by the mentor per month, which will include feedback and reflection, while teaching under the alternative authorization. The plan must include annual progress goals that must be met for annual renewal;
ii. The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credit hours or its equivalent of accelerated study in education pedagogy prior to the end of the first year of authorization. The number of required credits will be specified in the consortium developed plan; (3-29-17)

iii. At the time of authorization the candidate must enroll in and work toward completion of the alternative route preparation program through a participating college/university or other state board approved certification program, and the employing school district. A teacher must attend, participate in, and successfully complete an individualized alternative route preparation program as one (1) of the conditions for annual renewal and to receive a recommendation for full certification certificate of completion; (3-25-16)

iv. The participating college/university or other state board approved certification program shall provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent knowledge, dispositions and relevant life/work experiences; and (3-25-16)

v. Prior to entering the classroom, the candidate shall meet or exceed the state qualifying score on appropriate state-approved content, pedagogy, or performance assessment. (3-20-04)

03. Alternative Authorization – School Administrator. The purpose of this alternative authorization is to offer an expedited route to certification for individuals who are highly and uniquely qualified in the areas of school administration. Alternative authorization in this area is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress toward completion of an approved alternative route preparation program. Interim certification is valid for not more than three (3) years total.

a. Initial Qualifications:

i. Candidate must hold a graduate degree;

ii. The hiring school hiring district or charter school shall ensure the candidate is experienced and qualified to serve in a position of leadership based on an identified need and shall have other leadership, management, and administrative experience. This may be accomplished through a combination of employment experience and education; and

iii. Has four (4) or more years of full-time experience working with students, pre-k–12, in a position equivalent to a certificated position in Idaho, in an accredited school setting, accredited by a body recognized by the Idaho State Board of Education.

b. Alternative Route Preparation Program – College/University Preparation or Other State Board Approved Certification Program.

i. At the time of authorization, a consortium comprised of a designee from the college/university to be attended or other state board approved educator preparation program, and a representative from the local education agency and the candidate shall determine the preparation needed to meet in Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. This individualized professional learning plan must include mentoring and a minimum of one (1) observation by the mentor per month, which will include feedback and reflection, while serving in an administrative capacity under the alternative authorization. The plan must include annual progress goals that must be met for annual renewal;

ii. The candidate must receive a qualifying score on a state board approved school leaders certification assessment.

iii. The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credit hours or its equivalent of accelerated study in education pedagogy and certificated staff evaluation based on the state framework for evaluation prior to the end of the first year of authorization. The number of required credits will be specified in the consortium developed individualized professional learning plan;

iv. At the time of authorization, the candidate must enroll in and work toward completion of the
individualized alternative route preparation program through a participating college/university or other state board approved educator preparation program, and the employing local education agency; and

v. The participating college/university or other state board approved educator preparation program shall provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent knowledge, dispositions, and relevant life/work experiences.

c. Candidates meeting all requirements of the alternative route preparation program, at the conclusion of the three (3) year validity period of the interim certificate, may apply for a standard administrator certificate.

i. An administrator who participates in, and successfully completes, an individualized alternative route preparation program and receives a certificate of completion and statement of meeting the state standards for initial certification of school personnel for school administrators from the partnering educator preparation program shall be considered as having met the requirement for completion of a state-approved program of at least thirty (30) semester credit hours, forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, of graduate study in school administration for the preparation of school principals at an accredited college or university.

0.44. Non-Traditional Route to Teacher Certification. An individual may acquire interim certification as found in Section 016 of these rules through an approved non-traditional route certification program. (3-25-16)

a. Individuals who possess a baccalaureate degree or higher from an accredited institution of higher education may utilize this non-traditional route to an interim Idaho Teacher Certification. (3-29-17)

b. To complete this non-traditional route, the individual must:

i. Complete a Board approved program; (4-6-05)

ii. Pass the Board approved pedagogy and content knowledge exams; and (4-6-05)

iii. Complete the Idaho Department of Education background investigation check. (3-28-18)

c. Interim Certificate. Upon completion of the certification process described herein, the individual will be awarded an interim certificate from the State Department of Education’s Certification and Professional Standards Department. During the term of the interim certificate, teaching by the individual must be done in conjunction with a two (2) year teacher mentoring program approved by the Board. The individual must complete the mentoring program during the term of the interim certificate. All laws and rules governing standard instructional certificated teachers and pupil service staff with respect to conduct, discipline and professional standards shall apply to individuals teaching under any Idaho certificate including an interim certificate. (3-28-18)

d. Interim Certificate Not Renewable. Interim certification hereunder is only available on a one (1) time basis per individual. It will be the responsibility of the individual to obtain a valid renewable Idaho Educator Credential during the three (3) year interim certification term. (3-25-16)

e. Types of Certificates and Endorsements. The non-traditional route may be used for first-time certification, subsequent certificates, and additional endorsements. (3-20-14)

0.45. Alternative Authorization - Pupil Service Staff. The purpose of this alternative authorization is to allow Idaho school districts to request endorsement/certification when a position requiring the Pupil Service Staff Certificate cannot be filled with someone who has the correct endorsement/certification. The exception to this rule is the Interim School Nurse endorsement and the Interim Speech Language Pathologist endorsement. The requirements for these endorsements are defined in Subsection 015.02 of these rules. The alternate authorization is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress toward completion of an approved alternative route preparation program. Interim certification is valid for not more than three (3) years total. (3-28-18)

a. Initial Qualifications. The applicant must complete the following: (4-2-08)
Prior to application, a candidate must hold a master’s degree and hold a current Idaho license from the Bureau of Occupational Licenses in the area of desired certification; and (3-25-16)

The employing school district must provide supportive information attesting to the ability of the candidate to fill the position. (4-2-08)

**b. Alternative Route Preparation Program.** (4-2-08)

The candidate must work toward completion of the alternative route preparation program through a participating college/university and the employing school district. The alternative route preparation program must include annual progress goals. (3-25-16)

The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credits annually to be eligible for extension of up to a total of three (3) years. (4-2-08)

The participating college/university or the State Department of Education will provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent knowledge, dispositions, and relevant life/work experiences. (4-2-08)

The candidate must meet all requirements for the endorsement/certificate as provided herein. (4-2-08)

**046. Alternate Authorization Renewal.** Annual renewal will be based on the school year and satisfactory progress toward completion of the applicable alternate authorization requirements. (3-25-16)
AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized pursuant to Article IX, Section 2, Idaho Constitution and under Sections 33-105, 33-107, 33-116, and 33-1004B, 33-1201, 33-1201A, 33-1204, and 33-1612, Idaho Code.

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DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

The proposed rule updates terminology and makes technical corrections to the educator credential requirements. This includes replacing “teacher education” with “educator preparation,” indicating the official vehicle for educator preparation program approval is the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation “standards” rather than “model,” and clarifying the alternative route preparation program recommendation for full certification is a certificate of completion and not the defined term “Institutional Recommendation.”

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: None.


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Dated this 31st day of August, 2018.

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THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED TEXT OF DOCKET NO. 08-0202-1803
(Only Those Sections With Amendments Are Shown.)

007. DEFINITIONS.

01. Active Teacher. K-12 teacher with a valid Idaho certificate who is currently teaching in an Idaho K-12 classroom or school, either in person or online. (3-29-17)

02. Alternative Routes. Routes to teacher certification designed for candidates who want to enter the teaching profession from non-education professions or the paraprofessional profession, or for teachers lacking certification in a specific area defined as an emergency district need. (3-29-17)

03. Credential. The general term used to denote the document on which all of a person’s educational certificates and endorsements are listed. The holder is entitled to provide educational services in any and/or all areas listed on the credential. (3-16-04)

04. Endorsement. Term used to refer to the content area or specific area of expertise in which a holder is granted permission to provide services. (3-16-04)

05. Idaho Student Achievement Standards. Standards of achievement for Idaho’s K-12 students. See IDAPA 08.02.03, “Rules Governing Thoroughness.” (3-16-04)

06. Individualized Professional Learning Plan. An individualized professional development plan based on the Idaho framework for teaching evaluation as outlined in Section 120 of these rules to include interventions based on the individual’s strengths and areas of needed growth. (3-28-18)

07. Institutional Recommendation. Signed form or written verification from an accredited institution with a state board approved educator preparation program stating that an individual has completed the program, received a basic or higher rating in all components of the approved Idaho framework for teaching evaluation, has an individualized professional learning plan, has demonstrated the ability to produce measurable student achievement or student success, has the ability to create student learning objectives, and is now being recommended for state certification. Institutional recommendations must include statements of identified competency areas and grade ranges. Institutional Recommendation for administrators must additionally include a competency statement indicating proficiency in conducting accurate evaluations of instructional practice based upon the state’s framework for evaluation as outlined in Section 120 of these rules. (3-28-18)

08. Local Education Agency (LEA). An Idaho public school district or charter school pursuant to Section 33-5203(8), Idaho Code. (3-29-17)

09. Orientation. School district/school process used to acquaint teachers new to district/school on its policies, procedures and processes. (3-16-04)

10. Paraprofessional. A noncertificated individual who is employed by a school district or charter school to support educational programming. Paraprofessionals must work under the direct supervision of a properly certificated staff member for the areas they are providing support. Paraprofessionals cannot serve as the teacher of record and may not provide direct instruction to a student unless the paraprofessional is working under the direct supervision of a teacher. (3-29-17)

a. To qualify as a paraprofessional the individual must have a high school diploma or general equivalency diploma (GED) and:

i. Demonstrate through a state board approved academic assessment knowledge of and the ability to
assist in instructing or preparing students to be instructed as applicable to the academic areas they are providing support in; or

ii. Have completed at least two (2) years of study at an accredited postsecondary educational institution; or

iii. Obtained an associate degree or higher level degree; demonstrate through a state board approved academic assessment knowledge of and the ability to assist in instructing or preparing students to be instructed as applicable to the academic areas they are providing support in.

b. Individuals who do not meet these requirements will be considered school or classroom aides.

c. Duties of a paraprofessional include, but are not limited to, one-on-one tutoring; assisting in classroom management; assisting in computer instruction; conducting parent involvement activities; providing instructional support in a library or media center; acting as a translator in instructional matters; and providing instructional support services. Non-instructional duties such as providing technical support for computers, personal care services, and clerical duties are generally performed by classroom or school aides, however, this does not preclude paraprofessionals from also assisting in these non-instructional areas.

11. Pedagogy. Teaching knowledge and skills.

12. Student Learning Objective (SLO). A measurable, long-term academic growth target that a teacher sets at the beginning of the year for all student or for subgroups of students. SLOs demonstrate a teacher’s impact on student learning within a given interval of instruction based upon baseline data gathered at the beginning of the course.

13. Teacher Leader. A teacher who facilitates the design and implementation of sustained, intensive, and job-embedded professional learning based on identified student and teacher needs.

008. -- 011. (RESERVED)

012. ACCREDITED INSTITUTION.
For purposes of teacher educator certification, an accredited school, college, university, or other teacher educator training institution is considered by the Idaho State Board of Education to be one that is accredited by a regional accrediting association recognized by the State Board of Education or an alternative or non-traditional model approved by the State Board of Education. (Sections 33-107; 33-114; 33-1203, Idaho Code)
ii. The required minimum credit hours must include at least six (6) semester credit hours, or nine (9) quarter credit hours, of student teaching in the grade range and subject areas as applicable to the endorsement; and (3-29-17)

b. Completed an approved teacher educator preparation program and have an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university specifying the grade ranges and subjects for which they are eligible to receive an endorsement in; (3-29-17)

c. Individuals seeking endorsement in a secondary grade (pursuant to Section 33-1001, Idaho Code) range must complete preparation in at least two (2) fields of teaching. One (1) of the teaching fields must consist of at least thirty (30) semester credit hours, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours and a second field of teaching consisting of at least twenty (20) semester credit hours, or thirty (30) quarter credit hours. Preparation of not less than forty-five (45) semester credit hours, or sixty-seven (67) quarter credit hours, in a single subject area may be used in lieu of the two (2) teaching field requirements; (3-29-17)

d. Proficiency in areas noted above is measured by completion of the credit hour requirements provided herein. Additionally, each candidate must meet or exceed the state qualifying score on the state board approved content area and pedagogy assessments. (3-29-17)

e. The Standard Instructional Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the certificate. (3-29-17)

02. Pupil Service Staff Certificate. Persons who serve as school counselors, school psychologists, speech-language pathologists, school social workers, school nurses and school audiologists are required to hold the Pupil Service Staff Certificate, with the respective endorsement(s) for which they qualify. Persons who serve as an occupational therapist or physical therapist may be required, as determined by the local educational agency, to hold the Pupil Service Staff Certificate with respective endorsements for which they qualify. (3-28-18)

a. School Counselor (K-12) Endorsement. To be eligible for a Pupil Service Staff Certificate - School Counselor (K-12) endorsement, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements. The Pupil Service Staff Certificate with a School Counselor (K-12) endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. (3-28-18)

i. Hold a master's degree and provide verification of completion of an approved program of graduate study in school counseling from a college or university approved by the Idaho State Board of Education or the state educational agency of the state in which the program was completed. The program must include successful completion of seven hundred (700) clock hours of supervised field experience, seventy-five percent (75%) of which must be in a K-12 school setting. This K-12 experience must be in each of the following levels: elementary, middle/junior high, and high school. Previous school counseling experience may be considered to help offset the field experience clock hour requirement; and (3-25-16)

ii. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Counselor (K-12) endorsement. (3-28-18)

b. School Counselor – Basic (K-12) Endorsement. (3-28-18)

i. Individuals serving as a school counselor pursuant to Section 33-1212, Idaho Code, shall be granted a Pupil Personnel Services Certificate with a School Counselor – Basic (K-12) endorsement. The endorsement is valid for five (5) years or until such time as the holder no longer meets the eligibility requirements pursuant to Section 33-1212, Idaho Code. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. (3-28-18)

ii. Individuals who received their endorsement pursuant to Section 33-1212, Idaho Code, prior to July 1, 2018, will be transitioned into the School Counselor – Basic (K-12) endorsement. Renewal date will remain the same as the initial credential. (3-28-18)
c. School Psychologist Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. In order to renew the endorsement, six (6) professional development credits are required every five (5) years. The renewal credit requirement may be waived if the applicant holds a current valid National Certification for School Psychologists (NCSP) offered through the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). To be eligible for initial endorsement, a candidate must complete a minimum of sixty (60) graduate semester credit hours which must be accomplished through one (1) of the following options:

i. Completion of an approved thirty (30) semester credit hour, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, master's degree in education or psychology and completion of an approved thirty (30) semester credit hour, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hour, School Psychology Specialist Degree program, and completion of a minimum of twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist;

ii. Completion of an approved sixty (60) semester credit hour, or ninety (90) quarter credit hour, master's degree program in School Psychology, and completion of a minimum of twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist;

iii. Completion of an approved sixty (60) semester credit hour, or ninety (90) quarter credit hour, School Psychology Specialist degree program which did not require a master's degree as a prerequisite, with laboratory experience in a classroom, which may include professional teaching experience, student teaching or special education practicum, and completion of a minimum twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist; and

iv. Earn a current and valid National Certification for School Psychologists (NCSP) issued by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP).

d. School Nurse Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Initial endorsement may be accomplished through completion of either requirements in Subsections 015.02.c.i. or 015.02.c.ii. in addition to the requirement of Subsection 015.02.c.iii.

i. The candidate must possess a valid nursing (RN) license issued by the Idaho State Board of Nursing, and a baccalaureate degree in nursing, education, or a health-related field from an accredited institution.

ii. The candidate must possess a valid professional nursing (RN) license issued by the Idaho State Board of Nursing and have completed nine (9) semester credit hours from a university or college in at least three (3) of the following areas:

1. Health program management;

2. Child and adolescent health issues;

3. Counseling, psychology, or social work; or

4. Methods of instruction.

iii. Additionally, each candidate must have two (2) years of full-time (or part-time equivalent) school nursing, community health nursing, or any area of pediatric, adolescent, or family nursing experience.

e. Interim Endorsement - School Nurse. This endorsement will be granted for those who do not meet the educational and/or experience requirements but who hold a valid professional nursing (RN) license in Idaho. An Interim School Nurse Endorsement will be issued for three (3) years while the applicant is meeting the educational requirements, and it is not renewable.
f. Speech-Language Pathologist Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. The initial endorsement will be issued to candidates who possess a master's degree from an accredited college or university in a speech/language pathology program approved by the State Board of Education, and who receive an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)

g. Audiology Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. The initial endorsement will be issued to candidates who possess a master's degree from an accredited college or university in an audiology program approved by the State Board of Education, and who receive an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)

h. School Social Worker Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Initial endorsement shall be accomplished by meeting the requirements of Subsections 015.02.g.i. through 02.g.iii., or by meeting the requirement in Subsection 015.02.g.iv.:

i. A master's degree in social work (MSW) from a postsecondary institution accredited by an organization recognized by the State Board of Education. The program must be currently approved by the state educational agency of the state in which the program was completed; and (3-29-17)

ii. An institution recommendation from an Idaho State Board of Education approved program; and (3-29-17)

iii. The successful completion of a school social work practicum in a kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) setting. Post-MSW extensive experience working with children and families may be substituted for the completion of a school social work practicum in a K-12 setting. (3-29-17)

iv. A current and valid master’s degree or higher social work license pursuant to chapter 32, title 54 and the rules of the State Board of Social Work Examiners. (3-29-17)

i. Interim Endorsement-Speech Language Pathologist. This certificate will be granted for those who do not meet the educational requirements but who hold a baccalaureate degree in speech language pathology and are pursuing a master's degree in order to obtain the Pupil Service Staff Certificate endorsed in speech language pathology. An interim certificate will be issued for three (3) years while the applicant is meeting the educational requirements, and it is not renewable. (3-28-18)

j. Occupational Therapist Endorsement. A candidate with a current and valid Occupational Therapy license issued by the State of Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses shall be granted an Occupational Therapist endorsement. The Pupil Personnel Services Certificate with an Occupational Therapist endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Candidate must maintain current and valid Occupational Therapy Licensure through the State of Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses for the endorsement to remain valid. (3-28-18)

k. Physical Therapist Endorsement. A candidate with a current and valid Physical Therapy license issued by the State of Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses shall be granted a Physical Therapist endorsement. The Pupil Service Staff Certificate with a Physical Therapist endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Candidate must maintain current and valid Physical Therapy Licensure through the State of Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses for the endorsement to remain valid. (3-28-18)

03. Administrator Certificate. Every person who serves as a superintendent, a director of special education, a secondary school principal, or principal of an elementary school with eight (8) or more teachers (including the principal), or is assigned to conduct the summative evaluation of certified staff is required to hold an Administrator Certificate. The certificate may be endorsed for service as a school principal, a superintendent, or a director of special education. Assistant superintendents are required to hold the Superintendent endorsement. Assistant principals or vice-principals are required to hold the School Principal endorsement. Directors of special
education are required to hold the Director of Special Education endorsement. Possession of an Administrator Certificate does not entitle the holder to serve as a teacher at a grade level for which the educator is not qualified or certificated. All administrator certificates require candidates to meet the Idaho Standards for School Principals. The Administrator Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the certificate.

a. School Principal (Pre-K-12) Endorsement. To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate endorsed for School Principal (Pre-K-12), a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

i. Hold a master's degree from an accredited college or university. 

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated experience working with students, Pre-K-12, while under contract in an accredited school setting.

iii. Have completed an administrative internship in a state-approved program, or have one (1) year of experience as an administrator in grades Pre-K-12.

iv. Provide verification of completion of a state-approved program of at least thirty (30) semester credit hours, forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, of graduate study in school administration for the preparation of school principals at an accredited college or university. This program shall include the competencies of the Idaho Standards for School Principals.

v. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Principal (Pre-K-12) Endorsement.

b. Superintendent (Pre-K-12) Endorsement. To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate with a Superintendent (Pre-K-12) endorsement, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

i. Hold an education specialist or doctorate degree or complete a comparable post-master's sixth year program at an accredited college or university.

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated/licensed experience working with Pre-K-12 students while under contract in an accredited school setting.

iii. Have completed an administrative internship in a state-approved program for the superintendent endorsement or have one (1) year of out-of-state experience as an assistant superintendent or superintendent in grades Pre-K-12.

iv. Provide verification of completion of an approved program of at least thirty (30) semester credit hours, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, of post-master's degree graduate study for the preparation of school superintendents at an accredited college or university. This program in school administration and interdisciplinary supporting areas shall include the competencies in Superintendent Leadership, in additional to the competencies in the Idaho Standards for School Principals.

v. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Superintendent Endorsement (Pre-K-12).

c. Director of Special Education (Pre-K-12) Endorsement. To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate endorsed for Director of Special Education (Pre-K-12), a candidate must have satisfied all of the following requirements:

i. Hold a master's degree from an accredited college or university;

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated/licensed experience working with students Pre-K-12, while under contract in a school setting;

iii. Obtain college or university verification of demonstrated the competencies of the Director of
iv. Obtain college or university verification of demonstrated competencies in the following areas, in addition to the competencies in the Idaho Standards for School Principals: Concepts of Least Restrictive Environment; Post-School Outcomes and Services for Students with Disabilities Ages Three (3) to Twenty-one (21); Collaboration Skills for General Education Intervention; Instructional and Behavioral Strategies; Individual Education Programs (IEPs); Assistive and Adaptive Technology; Community-Based Instruction and Experiences; Data Analysis for Instructional Needs and Professional Training; Strategies to Increase Program Accessibility; Federal and State Laws and Regulations and School District Policies; Resource Advocacy; and Technology Skills for Referral Processes, and Record Keeping; (3-28-18)

v. Have completed an administrative internship/practicum in the area of administration of special education; and (3-28-18)

vi. An institutional recommendation is required for Director of Special Education (Pre-K-12) endorsement. (3-28-18)

04. Certification Standards For Career Technical Educators. Teachers of career technical courses or programs in secondary schools must hold an occupational specialist certificate and an endorsement in an appropriate occupational discipline. All occupational certificates must be approved by the Division of Career Technical Education regardless of the route an individual is pursuing to receive the certificate. (3-28-18)

05. Degree Based Career Technical Certification. (3-25-16)

a. Individuals graduating from an approved occupational teacher preparation degree program qualify to teach in the following five (5) disciplines: agricultural science and technology; business technology education; computer science technology; engineering; family and consumer sciences; marketing technology education; and technology education. Occupational teacher preparation course work must meet the Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. The occupational teacher education program must provide appropriate content to constitute a major in the identified field. Student teaching shall be in an approved program and include experiences in the major field. Applicants shall have accumulated one thousand (1,000) clock hours of related work experience or practicum in their respective field of specialization, as approved by the Division of Career Technical Education. The certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years pursuant to Section 060 of these rules. (3-28-18)

b. The Career Technical Administrator certificate is required for an individual serving as an administrator, director, or manager of career technical education programs at the state Division of Career Technical Education or in Idaho public schools. Individuals must meet one (1) of the two (2) following prerequisites to qualify for the Career Technical Administrator Certificate. The certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years pursuant to Section 060 of these rules to renew. (3-28-18)

i. Qualify for or hold an Advanced Occupational Specialist certificate or hold an occupational endorsement on a standard instructional certificate; provide evidence of a minimum of four (4) years teaching, three (3) of which must be in a career technical discipline; hold a master's degree; and complete at least fifteen (15) semester credits of administrative course work. (3-28-18)

(1) Applicants must have completed credits in: education finance, administration and supervision of personnel, legal aspects of education; and conducting evaluations using the statewide framework for teacher evaluations. (3-28-18)

(2) Additional course work may be selected from any of the following areas: administration and supervision of occupational programs; instructional supervision; administration internship; curriculum development; curriculum evaluation; research in curriculum; school community relations; communication; teaching the adult learner; coordination of work-based learning programs; and/or measurement and evaluation. (3-28-18)

ii. Hold a superintendent or principal (pre-K-12) endorsement on a standard administrator certificate and provide evidence of a minimum or four (4) years teaching, three (3) of which must be in a career technical
discipline or successfully complete the Division of Career Technical Education twenty-seven (27) month Idaho career technical education leadership institute. (3-28-18)

c. Work-Based Learning Coordinator Endorsement. Educators assigned to coordinate approved work-based experiences must hold the Work-Based Learning Coordinator endorsement. To be eligible, applicants must hold an occupational endorsement on the Standard Instructional Certificate or qualify for an Occupational Specialist Certificate, plus complete course work in coordination of work-based learning programs. (3-29-17)

d. Career Counselor Endorsement. The endorsement for a Career Counselor may be issued to applicants who hold a current Pupil Service Staff Certificate with a School Counselor (K-12) endorsement, and who have satisfied the following career technical requirement: Career Pathways and Career Technical Guidance; Principles/Foundations of Career Technical Education; and Theories of Occupational Choice. (3-28-18)

06. Industry-Based Occupational Specialist Certificate. The industry-based Occupational Specialist Certificates are industry-based career technical certifications issued in lieu of a degree-based career technical certificate. Certificate holders must meet the following eligibility requirements: (3-28-18)

a. Be at least twenty-two (22) years of age; document recent, gainful employment in the area for which certification is requested; possess either a high school diploma or General Educational Development (GED) certificate; meet provisions of Idaho Code; and, verify technical skills through work experience, industry certification or testing as listed below. When applicable, requirements of occupationally related state agencies must also be met. Since educational levels and work experiences vary, applicants may be determined highly qualified under any one (1) of the following three (3) options: (3-28-18)

i. Have six (6) years or twelve thousand (12,000) hours of recent, gainful employment in the occupation for which certification is requested. Up to forty-eight (48) months credit or up to eight thousand (8,000) hours can be counted toward the six (6) years or twelve thousand (12,000) hours on a month-to-month basis for journeyman training or completed postsecondary training in a career technical education program; or (3-28-18)

ii. Have a baccalaureate degree in the specific occupation or related area, plus two (2) years or four thousand (4,000) hours of recent, gainful employment in the occupation for which certification is required, at least half of which must have been during the immediate previous five (5) years; or (3-28-18)

iii. Have completed a formal apprenticeship program in the occupation or related area for which certification is requested plus two (2) years or four thousand (4,000) hours of recent, gainful, related work experience, at least half of which must have been completed in the immediate previous five (5) years. (3-28-18)

b. Limited Occupational Specialist Certificate. This certificate is issued to individuals who are new to teaching in Idaho public schools or new to teaching in career technical education in Idaho public schools. The certificate is an interim certificate and is valid for three (3) years and is non-renewable. Applicants must meet all of the minimum requirements established in Subsection 015.06.a. of these rules. Individuals on a limited occupational specialist certificate must complete one (1) of the two (2) following pathways during the validity period of the certificate: (3-28-18)

i. Pathway I - Coursework: Within the three-year period of the Limited Occupational Specialist Certificate, the instructor must satisfactorily complete the pre-service training prescribed by the Division of Career Technical Education and demonstrate competencies in principles/Foundations of occupational education and methods of teaching occupational education. Additionally, the instructor must satisfactorily demonstrate competencies in two (2) of the following areas: career pathways and guidance; analysis, integration, and curriculum development; and measurement and evaluation. (3-28-18)

ii. Pathway II – Cohort Training: Within the first twelve (12) months, the holder must enroll in the Division of Career Technical Education sponsored two-year cohort training and complete the two (2) training within the three-year validity period of the interim certificate. (3-28-18)

c. Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate. (3-28-18)
i. This certificate is issued to individuals who have held a limited occupational specialist certificate and completed one (1) of the pathways for completions. (3-28-18)

ii. The Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years pursuant to Section 060 of these rules to renew. Credit equivalency will be based on verification of forty-five (45) hours of participation at approved technical conferences, institutes, or workshops where participation is prorated at the rate of fifteen (15) hours per credit; or one hundred twenty (120) hours of approved related work experience where hours worked may be prorated at the rate of forty (4) hours per credit; or any equivalent combination thereof, and having on file a new professional development plan for the next certification period. (3-28-18)

d. Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate. This certificate is issued to individuals who:

i. Are eligible for the Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate; (3-28-18)

ii. Provide evidence of completion of a teacher training degree program or eighteen (18) semester credits of Division of Career Technical Education approved education or content-related course work in addition to the twelve (12) semester credits required for the Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate (a total of thirty (30) semester credits); and (3-28-18)

iii. Have on file a new professional development plan for the next certification period. (3-28-18)

iv. The Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years pursuant to Section 060 of these rules to renew. (3-28-18)

07. Postsecondary Specialist. A Postsecondary Specialist certificate will be granted to a current academic faculty member whose primary employment is with any accredited Idaho postsecondary institution. To be eligible to teach in the public schools under this postsecondary specialist certificate, the candidate must supply a recommendation from the employing institution (faculty's college dean). The primary use of this state-issued certificate will be for distance education, virtual classroom programs, and for public and postsecondary partnerships. (3-29-17)

a. Renewal. This certificate is good for five (5) years and is renewable. To renew the certificate, the renewal application must be accompanied with a new written recommendation from the postsecondary institution (faculty's college dean level or higher). (3-25-16)

b. Fees. The fee is the same as currently in effect for an initial or renewal certificate as established in Section 066 of these rules. (3-25-16)

c. The candidate must meet the following qualifications:

i. Hold a master's degree or higher in the content area being taught; (3-25-16)

ii. Be currently employed by the postsecondary institution in the content area to be taught; and (3-25-16)

iii. Complete and pass a criminal history background check as required according to Section 33-130, Idaho Code. (3-25-16)

08. American Indian Language. Each Indian tribe shall provide to the State Department of Education the names of those highly and uniquely qualified individuals who have been designated to teach the tribe's native language in accordance with Section 33-1280, Idaho Code. Individuals identified by the tribe(s) may apply for an Idaho American Indian Certificate as American Indian languages teachers. (3-25-16)

a. The Office of Indian Education at the State Department of Education will process an application that has met the requirements of the Tribe(s) for an American Indian languages teacher. (3-25-16)
b. Once an application with Tribal approval has been received, it will be reviewed and, if approved, it will be forwarded to the Office of Certification for a criminal history background check as required in Section 33-130, Idaho Code. The application must include a ten–finger fingerprint card or scan and a fee for undergoing a background investigation check pursuant to Section 33-130, Idaho Code. (3-28-18)

c. The Office of Certification will review the application and verify the applicant is eligible for an Idaho American Indian Certificate. The State Department of Education shall authorize an eligible applicant as an American Indian languages teacher. An Idaho American Indian Certificate is valid for not more than five (5) years. Individuals may apply for a renewal certificate. (3-25-16)
c. Administrator certificate renewal. In order to recertify, holders of an administrator certificate must complete a course consisting of a minimum of three (3) semester credits in the Idaho framework for teachers' evaluation pursuant to Section 33-1204, Idaho Code. Credits must be earned through an approved educator preparation program and include a laboratory component. The laboratory component must include in-person or video observation and scoring of teacher performance using the statewide framework for teacher’s evaluation. The approved course must include the following competencies:

i. Understanding professional practice in Idaho evaluation requirements, including gathering accurate evidence and artifacts, understanding and using the state framework for evaluation rubric with fidelity, proof of calibration and interrater reliability, ability to provide effective feedback for teacher growth, and understanding and advising teachers on individualized learning plan and portfolio development. (3-28-18)

ii. Understanding student achievement and growth in the Idaho evaluation framework, including understanding how measurable student achievement and growth measures impact summative evaluation ratings and proficiency in assessment literacy. (3-28-18)

016. IDAHO INTERIM CERTIFICATE.
The State Department of Education or the Division of Career Technical Education, as applicable to the certificate, is authorized to issue a three-year interim certificate to those applicants who hold a valid certificate/license from another state or other entity that participates in the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) Interstate Agreement pursuant to Section 33-4104, Idaho Code, or engaged in an alternate route to certification as prescribed herein. (3-29-17)

01. Interim Certificate Not Renewable. Interim certification is only available on a one-time basis per individual except under extenuating circumstances approved by the State Department of Education. It will be the responsibility of the individual to meet the requirements of the applicable alternate authorization route and to obtain a full Idaho Educator Credential during the term of the interim certificate. (3-29-17)

02. Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course. For all Idaho teachers working on interim certificates, (alternate authorizations, nontraditional routes, reinstatements or coming from out of the state), completion of a state board approved Idaho Comprehensive Literacy course or assessment, or approved secondary equivalent shall be a one-time requirement for full certification. (3-28-18)

a. Those individuals who qualify for an Idaho certificate through state reciprocity shall be granted a three-year, non-renewable interim certificate to allow time to meet the Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course requirement. (3-25-16)

03. Mathematical Thinking for Instruction. For all Idaho teachers or administrators working on interim certificates (alternate authorizations, nontraditional routes, reinstatements or coming from out of the state), with an All Subjects (K-8) endorsement, any mathematics endorsement, Exceptional Child Generalist endorsement, Blended Early Childhood/Early Childhood Special Education endorsement, or Administrator certificate must complete a state board approved Mathematical Thinking for Instruction, or another State Department of Education approved alternative course, as a one-time requirement for full certification. (3-28-18)

04. Technology. Out-of-state applicants may be reviewed by the hiring district for technology deficiencies and may be required to take technology courses to improve their technology skills. (3-28-18)

05. Reinstatement of Expired Certificate. An individual holding an expired Idaho certificate may be issued a nonrenewable three-year interim certificate. During the validity period of the interim certificate, the applicant must meet the following requirements to obtain a full certification during the term of the interim certificate:

a. Two (2) years of successful evaluations as per Section 33-1001(14), Idaho Code. (3-28-18)
b. Measured annual progress on specific goals identified on Individualized Professional Learning Plan. (3-28-18)

c. Six (6) credit renewal requirement. (3-28-18)

d. Any applicable requirement for Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course or Mathematical Thinking for Instruction as indicated in Subsections 016.02 and 016.03. (3-28-18)

06. Foreign Institutions. An educator having graduated from a foreign institution may be issued a non-renewable, three-year interim certificate. The applicant must also complete the requirements listed in Section 013 of these rules. (3-28-18)

07. Codes of Ethics. All laws and rules governing standard certificated staff with respect to conduct, discipline, and professional standards shall apply to all certified staff serving in an Idaho public school, including those employed under an interim certificate. (3-28-18)

017. CONTENT, PEDAGOGY AND PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FOR CERTIFICATION.

01. Assessments. State Board of Education approved content, pedagogy and performance area assessments shall be used in the state of Idaho to ensure qualified teachers are employed in Idaho’s classrooms. The Professional Standards Commission shall recommend assessments and qualifying scores to the State Board of Education for approval. (4-2-08)

02. Out-of-State Waivers. An out-of-state applicant for Idaho certification holding a current certificate may request a waiver from the above requirement. The applicant shall provide evidence of passing a state board approved content, pedagogy and performance area assessment(s) or hold current National Board for Professional Standards Teaching Certificate. (4-2-08)

03. Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Assessment. All applicants for initial Idaho certification (Kindergarten through grade twelve (12)) from an Idaho approved teacher education program must demonstrate competency in comprehensive literacy. Areas to be included as parts of the assessment are: phonological awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension, writing, and assessments and intervention strategies. Each Idaho public higher education institution shall be responsible for the assessment of teacher candidates in its teacher education preparation program. The assessment must measure teaching skills and knowledge congruent with current research on best literacy practices for elementary students or secondary students (adolescent literacy) dependent upon level of certification and English Language Learners. In addition, the assessment must measure understanding and the ability to apply strategies and beliefs about language, literacy instruction, and assessments based on current research and best practices congruent with International Reading Association/National Council of Teachers of English standards, National English Language Learner’s Association professional teaching standards, National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education standards, and state accreditation standards. (4-7-11)

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

042. ALTERNATE ROUTES TO CERTIFICATION.
The purpose of this program is to provide an alternative for individuals to become certificated teachers in Idaho without following a standard teacher education program. Alternative Routes to Certification shall allow individuals to serve as the teacher of record prior to having earned full certification status. The teacher of record is defined as the person who is primarily responsible for planning instruction, delivering instruction, assessing students formatively and summatively, and designating the final grade. Individuals who are currently employed as Paraprofessionals and, individuals with strong subject matter background but limited experience with educational methodology shall follow the alternate certification requirements provided herein. Individuals who are currently certificated to teach but who are in need of an emergency endorsement in another area may obtain an endorsement through an alternate route as described in Subsection 021.02 of these rules. (2-29-17)
01. **Alternative Authorization -- Teacher To New Certification.** The purpose of this alternative authorization is to allow Idaho school districts to request additional certification when a professional position cannot be filled with someone who has the correct certification. Alternative authorization in this area is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress toward completion of an approved alternative route preparation program. Interim certification is valid for not more than three (3) years total. (3-29-17)

   a. Prior to application, a candidate must hold a baccalaureate degree, and a valid Idaho instructional certificate. The school district must provide supportive information attesting to the ability of the candidate to fill the position. (3-29-17)

   b. A candidate must participate in an approved alternative route preparation program. (3-25-16)

      i. The candidate will work toward completion of the alternative route preparation program through a participating college/university, and the employing school district. The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credits annually to maintain eligibility for renewal; and (3-25-16)

      ii. The participating college/university shall provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent knowledge, dispositions, and relevant life/work experiences. (3-20-04)

02. **Alternative Authorization -- Content Specialist.** The purpose of this alternative authorization is to offer an expedited route to certification for individuals who are highly and uniquely qualified in a subject area to teach in a district with an identified need for teachers in that area. Alternative authorization in this area is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress toward completion of an approved alternative route preparation program. Interim certification is valid for not more than three (3) years total. (3-25-16)

   a. Initial Qualifications. (3-20-04)

      i. A candidate must hold a baccalaureate degree or have completed all of the requirements of a baccalaureate degree except the student teaching or practicum portion; and (3-29-17)

      ii. The hiring district shall ensure the candidate is qualified to teach in the area of identified need through demonstrated content knowledge. This may be accomplished through a combination of employment experience and education. (3-25-16)

   b. Alternative Route Preparation Program -- College/University Preparation or Other State Board Approved Certification Program. (3-25-16)

      i. At the time of authorization a consortium comprised of a designee from the college/university to be attended or other state board approved certification program, and a representative from the school district, and the candidate shall determine the preparation needed to meet the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. This plan must include mentoring and a minimum of one (1) classroom observation by the mentor per month, which will include feedback and reflection, while teaching under the alternative authorization. The plan must include annual progress goals that must be met for annual renewal; (3-29-17)

      ii. The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credit hours or its equivalent of accelerated study in education pedagogy prior to the end of the first year of authorization. The number of required credits will be specified in the consortium developed plan; (3-29-17)

      iii. At the time of authorization the candidate must enroll in and work toward completion of the alternative route preparation program through a participating college/university or other state board approved certification program, and the employing school district. A teacher must attend, participate in, and successfully complete an individualized alternative route preparation program as one (1) of the conditions for annual renewal and to receive a recommendation for full certification certificate of completion; (3-25-16)

      iv. The participating college/university or other state board approved certification program shall
provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent knowledge, dispositions and relevant life/work experiences; and

(3-25-16)

v. Prior to entering the classroom, the candidate shall meet or exceed the state qualifying score on appropriate state-approved content, pedagogy, or performance assessment.

(3-20-04)

03. Non-Traditional Route to Teacher Certification. An individual may acquire interim certification as found in Section 016 of these rules through an approved non-traditional route certification program.

(3-25-16)

a. Individuals who possess a baccalaureate degree or higher from an accredited institution of higher education may utilize this non-traditional route to an interim Idaho Teacher Certification.

(3-29-17)

b. To complete this non-traditional route, the individual must:

i. Complete a Board approved program;

(4-6-05)

ii. Pass the Board approved pedagogy and content knowledge exams; and

(4-6-05)

iii. Complete the Idaho Department of Education background investigation check.

(3-28-18)

c. Interim Certificate. Upon completion of the certification process described herein, the individual will be awarded an interim certificate from the State Department of Education’s Certification and Professional Standards Department. During the term of the interim certificate, teaching by the individual must be done in conjunction with a two-year teacher mentoring program approved by the Board. The individual must complete the mentoring program during the term of the interim certificate. All laws and rules governing standard instructional certificated teachers and pupil service staff with respect to conduct, discipline and professional standards shall apply to individuals teaching under any Idaho certificate including an interim certificate.

(3-28-18)

d. Interim Certificate Not Renewable. Interim certification hereunder is only available on a one (1) time basis per individual. It will be the responsibility of the individual to obtain a valid renewable Idaho Educator Credential during the three-year interim certification term.

(3-25-16)

e. Types of Certificates and Endorsements. The non-traditional route may be used for first-time certification, subsequent certificates, and additional endorsements.

(3-20-14)

04. Alternative Authorization - Pupil Service Staff. The purpose of this alternative authorization is to allow Idaho school districts to request endorsement/certification when a position requiring the Pupil Service Staff Certificate cannot be filled with someone who has the correct endorsement/certification. The exception to this rule is the Interim School Nurse endorsement and the Interim Speech Language Pathologist endorsement. The requirements for these endorsements are defined in Subsection 015.02 of these rules. The alternate authorization is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress toward completion of an approved alternative route preparation program. Interim certification is valid for not more than three (3) years total.

(3-28-18)

a. Initial Qualifications. The applicant must complete the following:

(4-2-08)

i. Prior to application, a candidate must hold a master’s degree and hold a current Idaho license from the Bureau of Occupational Licenses in the area of desired certification; and

(3-25-16)

ii. The employing school district must provide supportive information attesting to the ability of the candidate to fill the position.

(4-2-08)

b. Alternative Route Preparation Program.

(4-2-08)

i. The candidate must work toward completion of the alternative route preparation program through a participating college/university and the employing school district. The alternative route preparation program must include annual progress goals.

(3-25-16)
ii. The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credits annually to be eligible for extension of up to a total of three (3) years. (4-2-08)

iii. The participating college/university or the State Department of Education will provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent knowledge, dispositions, and relevant life/work experiences. (4-2-08)

iv. The candidate must meet all requirements for the endorsement/certificate as provided herein. (4-2-08)

05. Alternate Authorization Renewal. Annual renewal will be based on the school year and satisfactory progress toward completion of the applicable alternate authorization requirements. (3-25-16)

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

100. OFFICIAL VEHICLE FOR APPROVING TEACHER EDUCATION EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS.

Section 33-114, Idaho Code

01. The Official Vehicle for the Approval of Teacher Education Educator Preparation Programs. The official vehicle for the approval of teacher education traditional educator preparation programs is the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) standards and the approved Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. The Idaho Standards are based upon the accepted national standards for educator preparation and include state-specific, core teaching requirements. The State Department of Education will transmit to the head of each Idaho college or Department of Education a copy of all revisions to the Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. Such revisions will take effect and must be implemented within a period not to exceed two (2) years after notification of such revision. (3-25-16)

02. Non-Traditional Teacher Educator Preparation Program. The State Board of Education must approve all non-traditional route to teacher certification programs. The programs must include, at a minimum, the following components: (3-25-16)

a. Pre-assessment of teaching and content knowledge; (3-25-16)

b. An academic advisor with knowledge of the prescribed instruction area; (3-25-16)

c. Exams of pedagogy and content knowledge; and

d. Be aligned to the Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. (3-25-16)

03. Reference Availability. The Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel, incorporated by reference in Subsection 004.01, are available for inspection on the Office of the State Board of Education’s website at www.boardofed.idaho.gov. (3-29-12)

04. Continuing Approval. (3-29-12)

a. The state of Idaho will follow the Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) standards model by which institutions shall pursue continuing approval through a full program review every seven (7) years. The full program review shall be based upon the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. (3-25-16)

b. The state of Idaho will additionally conduct focused reviews of state-specific, core teaching requirements in the interim, not to exceed every third year following the full program review. (3-29-12)
c. All approved non-traditional teacher preparation programs will be reviewed for continued approval on the same schedule as traditional teacher preparation programs. Reviews will include determination of continued alignment with the approved Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel and effectiveness of program completers.

05. Payment Responsibilities for Teacher Preparation Program Reviews. The Professional Standards Commission is responsible for Idaho teacher preparation program reviews, including assigning responsibility for paying for program reviews. To implement the reviews, it is necessary that:

a. The Professional Standards Commission pay for all state review team expenses for on-site teacher preparation reviews from its budget.

b. Requesting institutions pay for all other expenses related to on-site teacher preparation program reviews, including the standards review.
AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized pursuant to Article IX, Section 2, Idaho Constitution and under Sections 33-105, 33-107, 33-116, and 33-1004B, 33-1201, 33-1201A, 33-1204, and 33-1612, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than October 17, 2018.

The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

The proposed rule will create a new section of Administrative Code, IDAPA 08.02.02.028, providing clarification to types of “additional evidence demonstrating effective teaching” that are authorized as evidence for the Professional Endorsement pursuant to Section 33-1201A, Idaho Code.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: None.


INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule: N/A

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Tracie Bent at (208) 332-1582 or tracie.bent@osbe.idaho.gov.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before October 24, 2018.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2018.

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(Only Those Sections With Amendments Are Shown.)

025. -- 041.  (RESERVED)

028.  PROFESSIONAL ENDORSEMENT.
Eligibility for the professional endorsement pursuant to Section 33-1201A, Idaho Code, may be established by providing additional evidence demonstrating effective teaching for the purpose of determining proficiency and student achievement in the event required standards for the professional endorsement are not met.

01.  Measurable Student Achievement and Student Success Indicators. Evidence of a majority of the applicable staff person’s students meeting measurable student achievement targets, or student success indicator targets, may be demonstrated by the certificated staff member providing evidence that students from an accredited private or out-of-state public school have met targets set by the certificated staff member. The measurable student achievement or student success indicator targets must be comparable to the measurable student achievement or student success indicator targets established by the hiring school for certificated staff in similar employment areas and similar grade ranges.

02.  Performance Criteria. Evidence of an overall rating of proficient, and no components rated as unsatisfactory on the state framework for teaching evaluation, may be provided through the submittal of annual evaluations showing standards aligned to the Idaho framework for teaching evaluation standards.

03.  Validity of Evidence. Evidence provided must show that the certificated staff member met each of the proficiency and student achievement requirements in each year required.

04.  Evaluation of Evidence. The local education agency administrator shall be responsible for evaluating the evidence provided and determining alignment with the school district or charter schools measurable student achievement and student success indicators and alignment with the Idaho framework for teaching evaluation standards. The reviewing administrator shall sign an affidavit stating the evidence meets the district and state standards for measurable student achievement and student success indicators and performance criteria. The local education agency shall report the equivalent performance criteria rating the certificated staff member received and indicate if any equivalent components were rated as unsatisfactory and the measurable student achievement or student success indicator used with verification that the majority of their students have met the measurable student achievement targets or student success indicators. Targets must be comparable to targets set for like groups of students at the hiring school. The state board of education or state department of education may request to review the evidence provided for determining proficiency and student achievement.

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DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

Like standard instructional certificates, individuals receiving an Occupational Specialist Certificate also receive an endorsement for the content area they are qualified to teach. The Board is authorized in statute to set certification requirements for educators in Idaho’s public schools. Historically, the Division of Career Technical Education (Division), working with industry groups, has established industry experience standards for teaching in a specific subject area, Division staff then evaluate applicant experience and determine whether the applicant will receive an occupational certificate and corresponding endorsement in the subject area. Currently these standards reside in Division policy. Establishing the Occupational Specialist Certificate endorsement requirements in rule will provide more transparency and consistency in the eligibility requirements for these endorsements and will require they go through the same public rulemaking process as endorsements for standard instructional certificates.

The proposed endorsements are largely consistent with current practice. Names of the endorsements have been changed to align with the names of the existing career technical content standards and program pathways providing for better alignment and simplification of the existing endorsements. In some content areas, endorsements with similar names and requirements have been consolidated under a single broader endorsement allowing more individuals to teach in a single program or pathway.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: None.


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015. IDAHO EDUCATOR CREDENTIAL.
The State Board of Education authorizes the State Department of Education to issue certificates and endorsements to those individuals meeting the specific requirements for each area provided herein. (3-25-16)

01. Standard Instructional Certificate. A Standard Instructional Certificate makes an individual eligible to teach all grades, subject to the grade ranges and subject areas of the valid endorsement(s) attached to the certificate. A standard instructional certificate may be issued to any person who has a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university and who meets the following requirements: (3-29-17)

a. Professional education requirements:

i. Earned a minimum of twenty (20) semester credit hours, or thirty (30) quarter credit hours, in the philosophical, psychological, methodological foundations, instructional technology, and in the professional subject matter, which shall include at least three (3) semester credit hours, or four (4) quarter credit hours, in reading and its application to the content area; (3-29-17)

ii. The required minimum credit hours must include at least six (6) semester credit hours, or nine (9) quarter credit hours, of student teaching in the grade range and subject areas as applicable to the endorsement; and (3-29-17)

b. Completed an approved teacher preparation program and have an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university specifying the grade ranges and subjects for which they are eligible to receive an endorsement in; (3-29-17)

c. Individuals seeking endorsement in a secondary grade (pursuant to Section 33-1001, Idaho Code) range must complete preparation in at least two (2) fields of teaching. One (1) of the teaching fields must consist of at least thirty (30) semester credit hours, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours and a second field of teaching consisting of at least twenty (20) semester credit hours, or thirty (30) quarter credit hours. Preparation of not less than forty-five (45) semester credit hours, or sixty-seven (67) quarter credit hours, in a single subject area may be used in lieu of the two (2) teaching field requirements; (3-29-17)

d. Proficiency in areas noted above is measured by completion of the credit hour requirements provided herein. Additionally, each candidate must meet or exceed the state qualifying score on the state board approved content area and pedagogy assessments. (3-29-17)

e. The Standard Instructional Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the certificate. (3-29-17)
02. **Pupil Service Staff Certificate.** Persons who serve as school counselors, school psychologists, speech-language pathologists, school social workers, school nurses and school audiologists are required to hold the Pupil Service Staff Certificate, with the respective endorsement(s) for which they qualify. Persons who serve as an occupational therapist or physical therapist may be required, as determined by the local educational agency, to hold the Pupil Service Staff Certificate with respective endorsements for which they qualify. 

(a) School Counselor (K-12) Endorsement. To be eligible for a Pupil Service Staff Certificate - School Counselor (K-12) endorsement, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements. The Pupil Service Staff Certificate with a School Counselor (K-12) endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement.

i. Hold a master's degree and provide verification of completion of an approved program of graduate study in school counseling from a college or university approved by the Idaho State Board of Education or the state educational agency of the state in which the program was completed. The program must include successful completion of seven hundred (700) clock hours of supervised field experience, seventy-five percent (75%) of which must be in a K-12 school setting. This K-12 experience must be in each of the following levels: elementary, middle/junior high, and high school. Previous school counseling experience may be considered to help offset the field experience clock hour requirement; and

ii. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Counselor (K-12) endorsement. 

(b) School Counselor – Basic (K-12) Endorsement.

i. Individuals serving as a school counselor pursuant to Section 33-1212, Idaho Code, shall be granted a Pupil Personnel Services Certificate with a School Counselor – Basic (K-12) endorsement. The endorsement is valid for five (5) years or until such time as the holder no longer meets the eligibility requirements pursuant to Section 33-1212, Idaho Code. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement.

ii. Individuals who received their endorsement pursuant to Section 33-1212, Idaho Code, prior to July 1, 2018, will be transitioned into the School Counselor – Basic (K-12) endorsement. Renewal date will remain the same as the initial credential.

(c) School Psychologist Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. In order to renew the endorsement, six (6) professional development credits are required every five (5) years. The renewal credit requirement may be waived if the applicant holds a current valid National Certification for School Psychologists (NCSP) offered through the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). To be eligible for initial endorsement, a candidate must complete a minimum of sixty (60) graduate semester credit hours which must be accomplished through one (1) of the following options:

i. Completion of an approved thirty (30) semester credit hour, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, master's degree in education or psychology and completion of an approved thirty (30) semester credit hour, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hour, School Psychology Specialist Degree program, and completion of a minimum of twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist;

ii. Completion of an approved sixty (60) semester credit hour, or ninety (90) quarter credit hour, master's degree program in School Psychology, and completion of a minimum of twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist;

iii. Completion of an approved sixty (60) semester credit hour, or ninety (90) quarter credit hour, School Psychology Specialist degree program which did not require a master's degree as a prerequisite, with laboratory experience in a classroom, which may include professional teaching experience, student teaching or special education practicum, and completion of a minimum twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist;
psychologist; and

iv. Earn a current and valid National Certification for School Psychologists (NCSP) issued by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). (3-25-16)

d. School Nurse Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Initial endorsement may be accomplished through completion of either requirements in Subsections 015.02.c.i or 015.02.c.ii. in addition to the requirement of Subsection 015.02.c.iii. (3-29-17)

i. The candidate must possess a valid nursing (RN) license issued by the Idaho State Board of Nursing, and a baccalaureate degree in nursing, education, or a health-related field from an accredited institution. (3-29-17)

ii. The candidate must possess a valid professional nursing (RN) license issued by the Idaho State Board of Nursing and have completed nine (9) semester credit hours from a university or college in at least three (3) of the following areas:

(1) Health program management; (3-25-16)
(2) Child and adolescent health issues; (3-25-16)
(3) Counseling, psychology, or social work; or (3-25-16)
(4) Methods of instruction. (3-25-16)

iii. Additionally, each candidate must have two (2) years of full-time (or part-time equivalent) school nursing, community health nursing, or any area of pediatric, adolescent, or family nursing experience. (3-25-16)

e. Interim Endorsement - School Nurse. This endorsement will be granted for those who do not meet the educational and/or experience requirements but who hold a valid professional nursing (RN) license in Idaho. An Interim School Nurse Endorsement will be issued for three (3) years while the applicant is meeting the educational requirements, and it is not renewable. (3-29-17)

f. Speech-Language Pathologist Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. The initial endorsement will be issued to candidates who possess a master's degree from an accredited college or university in a speech/language pathology program approved by the State Board of Education, and who receive an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)

g. Audiology Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. The initial endorsement will be issued to candidates who possess a master's degree from an accredited college or university in an audiology program approved by the State Board of Education, and who receive an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)

h. School Social Worker Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Initial endorsement shall be accomplished by meeting the requirements of Subsections 015.02.g.i. through iii., or by meeting the requirement in Subsection 015.02.g.iv.:

i. A master's degree in social work (MSW) from a postsecondary institution accredited by an organization recognized by the State Board of Education. The program must be currently approved by the state educational agency of the state in which the program was completed; and (3-29-17)

ii. An institution recommendation from an Idaho State Board of Education approved program; and (3-29-17)
iii. The successful completion of a school social work practicum in a kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) setting. Post-MSW extensive experience working with children and families may be substituted for the completion of a school social work practicum in a K-12 setting. (3-29-17)

iv. A current and valid master’s degree or higher social work license pursuant to chapter 32, title 54 and the rules of the State Board of Social Work Examiners. (3-29-17)

i. Interim Endorsement-Speech Language Pathologist. This certificate will be granted for those who do not meet the educational requirements but who hold a baccalaureate degree in speech language pathology and are pursuing a master's degree in order to obtain the Pupil Service Staff Certificate endorsed in speech language pathology. An interim certificate will be issued for three (3) years while the applicant is meeting the educational requirements, and it is not renewable. (3-28-18)

j. Occupational Therapist Endorsement. A candidate with a current and valid Occupational Therapy license issued by the State of Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses shall be granted an Occupational Therapist endorsement. The Pupil Personnel Services Certificate with an Occupational Therapist endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Candidate must maintain current and valid Occupational Therapy Licensure through the State of Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses for the endorsement to remain valid. (3-28-18)

k. Physical Therapist Endorsement. A candidate with a current and valid Physical Therapy license issued by the State of Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses shall be granted a Physical Therapist endorsement. The Pupil Service Staff Certificate with a Physical Therapist endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Candidate must maintain current and valid Physical Therapy Licensure through the State of Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses for the endorsement to remain valid. (3-28-18)

l. Career Counselor Endorsement. The endorsement for a Career Counselor is issued to applicants who hold a current Pupil Service Staff Certificate with a School Counselor (K-12) endorsement, and who have satisfied the following career technical course requirements: Career Pathways and Career Technical Guidance; Principles/Foundations of Career Technical Education; and Theories of Occupational Choice. (3-28-18)

03. Administrator Certificate. Every person who serves as a superintendent, a director of special education, a secondary school principal, or principal of an elementary school with eight (8) or more teachers (including the principal), or is assigned to conduct the summative evaluation of certified staff is required to hold an Administrator Certificate. The certificate may be endorsed for service as a school principal, a superintendent, or a director of special education. Assistant superintendents are required to hold the Superintendent endorsement. Assistant principals or vice-principals are required to hold the School Principal endorsement. Directors of special education are required to hold the Director of Special Education endorsement. Possession of an Administrator Certificate does not entitle the holder to serve as a teacher at a grade level for which the educator is not qualified or certificated. All administrator certificates require candidates to meet the Idaho Standards for School Principals. The Administrator Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the certificate. (3-28-18)

a. School Principal (Pre-K-12) Endorsement. To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate endorsed for School Principal (Pre-K-12), a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements: (3-28-18)

i. Hold a master's degree from an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated experience working with students, Pre-K-12, while under contract in an accredited school setting. (3-25-16)

iii. Have completed an administrative internship in a state-approved program, or have one (1) year of experience as an administrator in grades Pre-K-12. (3-25-16)

iv. Provide verification of completion of a state-approved program of at least thirty (30) semester
credit hours, forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, of graduate study in school administration for the preparation of school principals at an accredited college or university. This program shall include the competencies of the Idaho Standards for School Principals.

v. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Principal (Pre-K-12) Endorsement.

b. Superintendent (Pre-K-12) Endorsement. To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate with a Superintendent (Pre-K-12) endorsement, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

i. Hold an education specialist or doctorate degree or complete a comparable post-master's sixth year program at an accredited college or university.

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated/licensed experience working with Pre-K-12 students while under contract in an accredited school setting.

iii. Have completed an administrative internship in a state-approved program for the superintendent endorsement or have one (1) year of out-of-state experience as an assistant superintendent or superintendent in grades Pre-K-12.

iv. Provide verification of completion of an approved program of at least thirty (30) semester credit hours, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, of post-master's degree graduate study for the preparation of school superintendents at an accredited college or university. This program in school administration and interdisciplinary supporting areas shall include the competencies in Superintendent Leadership, in additional to the competencies in the Idaho Standards for School Principals.

v. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Superintendent Endorsement (Pre-K-12).

c. Director of Special Education (Pre-K-12) Endorsement. To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate endorsed for Director of Special Education (Pre-K-12), a candidate must have satisfied all of the following requirements:

i. Hold a master's degree from an accredited college or university;

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated/licensed experience working with students Pre-K-12, while under contract in a school setting;

iii. Obtain college or university verification of demonstrated the competencies of the Director of Special Education in Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel;

iv. Obtain college or university verification of demonstrated competencies in the following areas, in addition to the competencies in the Idaho Standards for School Principals: Concepts of Least Restrictive Environment; Post-School Outcomes and Services for Students with Disabilities Ages Three (3) to Twenty-one (21); Collaboration Skills for General Education Intervention; Instructional and Behavioral Strategies; Individual Education Programs (IEPs); Assistive and Adaptive Technology; Community-Based Instruction and Experiences; Data Analysis for Instructional Needs and Professional Training; Strategies to Increase Program Accessibility; Federal and State Laws and Regulations and School District Policies; Resource Advocacy; and Technology Skills for Referral Processes, and Record Keeping;

v. Have completed an administrative internship/practicum in the area of administration of special education; and

vi. An institutional recommendation is required for Director of Special Education (Pre-K-12).
or programs in secondary schools must hold an occupational specialist certificate and an endorsement in an appropriate occupational discipline. All occupational certificates must be approved by the Division of Career Technical Education regardless of the route an individual is pursuing to receive the certificate. (3-28-18)

05. Degree Based Career Technical Certification. (3-25-16)

a. Individuals graduating from an approved occupational teacher preparation degree program qualify to teach in the following five (5) disciplines: agricultural science and technology; business technology education; computer science technology; engineering; family and consumer sciences; marketing technology education; and technology education. Occupational teacher preparation course work must meet the Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. The occupational teacher education program must provide appropriate content to constitute a major in the identified field. Student teaching shall be in an approved program and include experiences in the major field. Applicants shall have accumulated one thousand (1,000) clock hours of related work experience or practicum in their respective field of specialization, as approved by the Division of Career Technical Education. The certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years pursuant to Section 060 of these rules. (3-28-18)

b. The Career Technical Administrator certificate is required for an individual serving as an administrator, director, or manager of career technical education programs at the state Division of Career Technical Education or in Idaho public schools. Individuals must meet one (1) of the two (2) following prerequisites to qualify for the Career Technical Administrator Certificate. The certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years pursuant to Section 060 of these rules to renew. (3-28-18)

i. Qualify for or hold an Advanced Occupational Specialist certificate or hold an occupational endorsement on a standard instructional certificate; provide evidence of a minimum of four (4) years' teaching, three (3) of which must be in a career technical discipline; hold a master's degree; and complete at least fifteen (15) semester credits of administrative course work. (3-28-18)

(1) Applicants must have completed credits in: education finance, administration and supervision of personnel, legal aspects of education; and conducting evaluations using the statewide framework for teacher evaluations. (3-28-18)

(2) Additional course work may be selected from any of the following areas: administration and supervision of occupational programs; instructional supervision; administration internship; curriculum development; curriculum evaluation; research in curriculum; school community relations; communication; teaching the adult learner; coordination of work-based learning programs; and/or measurement and evaluation. (3-28-18)

ii. Hold a superintendent or principal (pre-K-12) endorsement on a standard administrator certificate and provide evidence of a minimum or four (4) years’ teaching, three (3) of which must be in a career technical discipline or successfully complete the Division of Career Technical Education twenty-seven (27) month Idaho career technical education leadership institute. (3-28-18)

d. Work-Based Learning Coordinator Endorsement. Educators assigned to coordinate approved work-based experiences must hold the Work-Based Learning Coordinator endorsement. To be eligible, applicants must hold an occupational endorsement on the Standard Instructional Certificate or qualify for an Occupational Specialist Certificate, plus complete course work in coordination of work-based learning programs. (3-29-17)

d. Career Counselor Endorsement. The endorsement for a Career Counselor may be issued to applicants who hold a current Pupil Service Staff Certificate with a School Counselor (K-12) endorsement, and who have satisfied the following career technical requirement: Career Pathways, Career Technical Guidance, Principles/Foundations of Career Technical Education, and Theories of Occupational Choice. (3-28-18)

06. Industry-Based Occupational Specialist Certificate. The industry-based Occupational Specialist Certificates are industry-based career technical certifications issued in lieu of a degree-based career technical certificate. Certificate holders must meet the following eligibility requirements: (3-28-18)

a. Be at least twenty-two (22) years of age; document recent, gainful employment in the area for
which certification is requested; possess either a high school diploma or General Educational Development (GED) certificate; meet provisions of Idaho Code; and, verify technical skills through work experience, industry certification or testing as listed below. When applicable, requirements of occupationally related state agencies must also be met. Since educational levels and work experiences vary, applicants may be determined highly qualified under any one (1) of the following three (3) options:

i. Have six (6) years or twelve thousand (12,000) hours of recent, gainful employment in the occupation for which certification is requested. Up to forty-eight (48) months credit or up to eight thousand (8,000) hours can be counted toward the six (6) years or twelve thousand (12,000) hours on a month-to-month basis for journeyman training or completed postsecondary training in a career technical education program; or

ii. Have a baccalaureate degree in the specific occupation or related area, plus two (2) years or four thousand (4,000) hours of recent, gainful employment in the occupation for which certification is required, at least half of which must have been during the immediate previous five (5) years; or

iii. Have completed a formal apprenticeship program in the occupation or related area for which certification is requested plus two (2) years or four thousand (4,000) hours of recent, gainful, related work experience, at least half of which must have been completed in the immediate previous five (5) years.

b. Limited Occupational Specialist Certificate. This certificate is issued to individuals who are new to teaching in Idaho public schools or new to teaching in career technical education in Idaho public schools. The certificate is an interim certificate and is valid for three (3) years and is non-renewable. Applicants must meet all of the minimum requirements established in Subsection 015.06.a. of these rules. Individuals on a limited occupational specialist certificate must complete one (1) of the two (2) following pathways during the validity period of the certificate:

i. Pathway I - Coursework: Within the three-year (3) period of the Limited Occupational Specialist Certificate, the instructor must satisfactorily complete the pre-service training prescribed by the Division of Career Technical Education and demonstrate competencies in principles/foundations of occupational education and methods of teaching occupational education. Additionally, the instructor must satisfactorily demonstrate competencies in two (2) of the following areas: career pathways and guidance; analysis, integration, and curriculum development; and measurement and evaluation.

ii. Pathway II – Cohort Training: Within the first twelve (12) months, the holder must enroll in the Division of Career Technical Education sponsored two (2) year cohort training and complete the two (2) training within the three (3) year validity period of the interim certificate.

c. Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate.

i. This certificate is issued to individuals who have held a limited occupational specialist certificate and completed one (1) of the pathways for completions.

ii. The Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years pursuant to Section 060 of these rules to renew. Credit equivalency will be based on verification of forty-five (45) hours of participation at approved technical conferences, institutes, or workshops where participation is prorated at the rate of fifteen (15) hours per credit; or one hundred twenty (120) hours of approved related work experience where hours worked may be prorated at the rate of forty (4) hours per credit; or any equivalent combination thereof, and having on file a new professional development plan for the next certification period.

d. Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate. This certificate is issued to individuals who:

i. Are eligible for the Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate;

ii. Provide evidence of completion of a teacher training degree program or eighteen (18) semester credits of Division of Career Technical Education approved education or content-related course work in addition to
the twelve (12) semester credits required for the Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate (a total of thirty (30) semester credits); and

iii. Have on file a new professional development plan for the next certification period. (3-28-18)

iv. The Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years pursuant to Section 060 of these rules to renew. (3-28-18)

07. Postsecondary Specialist. A Postsecondary Specialist certificate will be granted to a current academic faculty member whose primary employment is with any accredited Idaho postsecondary institution. To be eligible to teach in the public schools under this postsecondary specialist certificate, the candidate must supply a recommendation from the employing institution (faculty's college dean). The primary use of this state-issued certificate will be for distance education, virtual classroom programs, and for public and postsecondary partnerships.

a. Renewal. This certificate is good for five (5) years and is renewable. To renew the certificate, the renewal application must be accompanied with a new written recommendation from the postsecondary institution (faculty's college dean level or higher). (3-25-16)

b. Fees. The fee is the same as currently in effect for an initial or renewal certificate as established in Section 066 of these rules. (3-25-16)

c. The candidate must meet the following qualifications:

i. Hold a master's degree or higher in the content area being taught; (3-25-16)

ii. Be currently employed by the postsecondary institution in the content area to be taught; and (3-25-16)

iii. Complete and pass a criminal history background check as required according to Section 33-130, Idaho Code. (3-25-16)

08. American Indian Language. Each Indian tribe shall provide to the State Department of Education the names of those highly and uniquely qualified individuals who have been designated to teach the tribe's native language in accordance with Section 33-1280, Idaho Code. Individuals identified by the tribe(s) may apply for an Idaho American Indian Certificate as American Indian languages teachers. (3-25-16)

a. The Office of Indian Education at the State Department of Education will process an application that has met the requirements of the Tribe(s) for an American Indian languages teacher. (3-25-16)

b. Once an application with Tribal approval has been received, it will be reviewed and, if approved, it will be forwarded to the Office of Certification for a criminal history background check as required in Section 33-130, Idaho Code. The application must include a ten--finger fingerprint card or scan and a fee for undergoing a background investigation check pursuant to Section 33-130, Idaho Code. (3-28-18)

c. The Office of Certification will review the application and verify the applicant is eligible for an Idaho American Indian Certificate. The State Department of Education shall authorize an eligible applicant as an American Indian languages teacher. An Idaho American Indian Certificate is valid for not more than five (5) years. Individuals may apply for a renewal certificate. (3-25-16)

09. Junior Reserved Officer Training Corps (Junior ROTC) Instructors. (3-25-16)

a. Each school district with a Junior ROTC program shall provide the State Department of Education with a list of the names of those individuals who have completed an official armed forces training program to qualify as Junior ROTC instructors in high schools. (3-25-16)

b. Each school district with a Junior ROTC program shall provide the State Department of Education
with a notarized copy of their certificate(s) of completion. (3-25-16)

c. Authorization Letter. Upon receiving the items identified in Subsections 015.09.a. and 09.b., the State Department of Education shall issue a letter authorizing these individuals as Junior ROTC instructors. (3-29-17)

10. Additional Renewal Requirements. In addition to specific certificate or endorsement renewal requirements, applicants must meet the following renewal requirements as applicable: (3-25-16)

a. Mathematics In-Service Program. In order to recertify, the state board approved mathematics instruction course titled “Mathematical Thinking for Instruction,” or another State Department of Education approved alternative course, shall be required. The “Mathematical Thinking for Instruction” course consists of three (3) credits. Teachers must take one (1) of the three (3) courses developed that is most closely aligned with their current assignment prior to July 1, 2019. Any teacher successfully completing said course shall be deemed to have met the requirement of Subsection 060.02.c. of this rule as long as said course is part of an official transcript or completed before September 1, 2013, and verified by the State Department of Education. Successful completion of a state board approved mathematics instruction course shall be a one-time requirement for renewal of certification for those currently employed in an Idaho school district and shall be included within current requirements for continuing education for renewal. The following must successfully complete the “Mathematical Thinking for Instruction” course or another State Department of Education approved alternative course in order to recertify:

i. Each teacher holding a Blended Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education (Birth - Grade 3) endorsement who is employed by a school district or charter school as a K-3 multi-subject or special education teacher; (3-28-18)

ii. Each teacher holding an All Subjects (K-8) endorsement who is employed by a school district or charter school as a K-6 multi-subject teacher; (3-28-18)

iii. Each teacher holding an All Subjects (K-8) endorsement, Mathematics – Basic (5-9 or 6-12) endorsement, Mathematics (5-9 or 6-12) endorsement teaching in a mathematics content classroom (grade six (6) through grade twelve (12)) including Title I who is employed by a school district or charter school; and (3-28-18)

iv. Each teacher holding an Exceptional Child Generalist endorsement who is employed by a school district or charter school as a special education teacher. (3-28-18)

b. Waiver of Mathematics In-Service Program. When applying for certificate renewal, an automatic waiver of the mathematics in-service program requirement shall be granted for any certificated individual living outside of the state of Idaho who is not currently employed as an educator in the state of Idaho. This waiver applies only as long as the individual remains outside the state of Idaho or as long as the individual is not employed as an educator in the state of Idaho. Upon returning to Idaho or employment in an Idaho public school, the educator will need to complete this requirement prior to the next renewal period. (3-25-16)

c. Administrator certificate renewal. In order to recertify, holders of an administrator certificate must complete a course consisting of a minimum of three (3) semester credits in the Idaho framework for teachers' evaluation pursuant to Section 33-1204, Idaho Code. Credits must be earned through an approved educator preparation program and include a laboratory component. The laboratory component must include in-person or video observation and scoring of teacher performance using the statewide framework for teacher’s evaluation. The approved course must include the following competencies:

i. Understanding professional practice in Idaho evaluation requirements, including gathering accurate evidence and artifacts, understanding and using the state framework for evaluation rubric with fidelity, proof of calibration and interrater reliability, ability to provide effective feedback for teacher growth, and understanding and advising teachers on individualized learning plan and portfolio development. (3-28-18)

ii. Understanding student achievement and growth in the Idaho evaluation framework, including understanding how measurable student achievement and growth measures impact summative evaluation ratings and proficiency in assessment literacy. (3-28-18)
021. ENDORSEMENTS. 
Holders of a Standard Instructional Certificate, Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate, and Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate may be granted endorsements in subject areas as provided herein. Instructional staff are eligible to teach in the grades and content areas of their endorsements. Idaho preparation programs shall prepare candidates for endorsements in accordance with the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. An official statement from the college of education of competency in a teaching area or field is acceptable in lieu of required credits if such statements are created in consultation with the department or division of the accredited college or university in which the competency is established and are approved by the director of teacher education of the recommending college or university. Statements must include the number of credits the competency evaluation is equivalent to. To add an endorsement to an existing credential, an individual shall complete the credit hour requirements as provided herein and shall also meet or exceed the state qualifying score on appropriate, state board approved content, pedagogy and/or performance assessments. When converting semester credit hours to quarter credit hours, two (2) semester credit hours is equal to three (3) quarter credit hours.

01. Clinical Experience Requirement. All endorsements require supervised teaching experience in the relevant content area, or a State Department of Education or Division of Career Technical Education approved alternative clinical experience as applicable to the area of endorsement.

02. Alternative Authorization to Endorsement. Candidates shall meet all requirements of the chosen option for the endorsement as provided herein.

a. Option I -- An official statement from the college of education of competency in a teaching area or field is acceptable in lieu of courses for a teaching field if such statements are created in consultation with the department or division of the accredited college or university in which the competency is established and are approved by the director of teacher education of the recommending college or university.

b. Option II -- National Board. By earning National Board Certification in content specific areas, teachers may gain endorsement in a corresponding subject area.

c. Option III -- Master's degree or higher. By earning a graduate degree in a content specific area, candidates may add an endorsement in that same content area to a valid instructional certificate.

d. Option IV -- Testing and/or Assessment. Two (2) pathways are available to some teachers, depending upon endorsement(s) already held.

i. Pathway 1 -- Endorsements may be added through state-approved testing and a mentoring component. The appropriate test must be successfully completed within the first year of authorization in an area closely compatible with an endorsement for which the candidate already qualifies and is experienced. Additionally, requires the successful completion of a one (1)-year state-approved mentoring component; or

ii. Pathway 2 -- Endorsements may be added through state-approved testing in an area less closely compatible with an endorsement for which the candidate already qualifies and is experienced. The appropriate test must be successfully completed within the first year of the authorization. Additionally, requires the successful completion of a one (1)-year state-approved mentoring component and passing a final pedagogy assessment.

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CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALIST ENDORSEMENTS A-D.

01. Administrative Services (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: proficiency in word processing, spreadsheet, database, presentation, and technology media applications; accounting functions; legal and ethical issues that impact business; customer relations; business communication; and business office operations.

02. Agribusiness (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: plant and animal science; agricultural economic principles; business planning and entrepreneurship; agriculture business financial concepts and record-keeping systems; risk management in agriculture; laws related to agriculture and landowners; marketing and sales plans, and sales.

03. Agricultural Leadership and Applied Communication (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: applied communications and leadership through agricultural education; supervised agricultural experience; career opportunities in agricultural science, communications, and leadership; agriculture’s impact on society; agricultural science principles; agricultural communication principles; and agricultural leadership principles.

04. Agricultural Mechanics and Power Systems (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: safety practices; tools and hardware; metal technology; power systems; electricity; mathematical applications; insulation; and careers in agricultural mechanics and power systems.

05. Agricultural Small Engine Repair/Power Sports (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: workplace safety; tools, fasteners, and measurement; basic electrical, engine design and theory; maintenance, parts and service management; and career opportunities.

06. Animal Science (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: animal agricultural industries; nutritional requirements for livestock; livestock reproductive systems; principles of evaluation for animal selection; animal welfare, handling, and quality assurance; medication and care; disease transmission and care; harvesting and processing of animal products; and animal science risk management.

07. Applied Accounting (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: accounting functions; accounting ethics; software application packages; financial statements; asset protection and internal controls; inventory records; long-term assets; and, payroll procedures.

08. Automated Manufacturing (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: lab organization and safety practices; blueprint reading, measuring, computer aided design; fundamental power system principles, manufacturing processes, electronic and instrumentation principles; machining; robotics and materials-handling systems; and additive (3D) printing.

09. Automotive Technology (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: service, maintenance, and repair practices for a wide variety of vehicles; and, diagnosing, adjusting, repairing, and replacing individual vehicle components and systems.

10. Business Management (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: planning and organizing; directing, controlling and evaluating goals and accomplishments; financial decision-making; competitive analysis and marketing strategies; human resource management, customer relations; technology; project management, operations and inventory; and social responsibility.

11. Cabinetry and Millwork (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: cabinetmaking and millwork production; cutting, refinishing, installing, and shaping of various materials; knowledge of industry standards and construction applications; hardware; and, blueprint reading.
12. **Collision Repair** (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: auto body collision repair practices; tools; trade skills in refinishing, welding, and painting.

13. **Commercial Photography** (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: ethics in photography; elements and principles of design composition; cameras and lenses; exposure settings; light sources; digital workflow; presentation techniques and portfolios; and production using industry standard software.

14. **Cosmetology** (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: hair design; skincare; nail care; industry guidelines and procedures; entrepreneurship; and, communications.

15. **Culinary Arts** (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: experience as a chef in a full-service restaurant; communication and organization skills; knowledge of and certification in proper food handling and sanitation standards; food quality and control; safety and sanitation practices; delegation of tasks related to meal prep, cooking, and delivery of food to diners; management of relationships with distributors and vendors; knowledge of industry trends; food service industry and career options; culinary tools and equipment; menu planning principles; ingredients and food production; cooking methods; and business operations in the culinary/catering industry.

16. **Dental Assisting** (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: dental professions pathways; ethics in dental practice; nutrition as related to oral health; infection control; occupational safety; dental-related anatomy and pathology; dental anesthesia; dental assisting skills; dental materials; and, dental radiology. Instructor must hold a current/valid Idaho license or certificate as a dental assistant, dental hygienist, or dentist.

17. **Diesel Technology** (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: knowledge of diesel engine service; preliminary inspection; identification and repair of vehicle components; preventative maintenance; and, heavy equipment applications.

18. **Digital Communications** (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: elements and principles of design and visual communications; professional communication skills; editing and proofreading; copyright and intellectual property law; portfolio development; content development strategy; branding and corporate identity; graphic communication production; video editing; web page development; web page design and layout; and web-related planning and organizational standards.

19. **Digital Media Technologies** (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: graphic design industry structure; elements and principles of design composition; visual communication; industry-standard software production; ethics and graphic design; digital portfolios; mathematical skills as related to design; communication skills; editing and proofreading; video editing; digital media and production; dissemination techniques and methods; broadcasting equipment, camera and lens operations; light sources; presentation techniques; public speaking, and writing skills. ADDA Certified Digital Designer, NOCTI Advertising and Design 5261, or Adobe Certified Expert Certification is desired.

20. **Drafting** (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: technical drawings; scale drawings; architectural drafting; mechanical drafting; orthographic projection; two (2) and three (3) dimensional drawings; manual drafting; and computer aided design.

026. **CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALIST ENDORSEMENTS E-M.**

01. **Early Childhood Education** (6-12). Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: early childhood education career paths and opportunities for employment; ethical conduct; advocacy for children; child/human development and learning; family and community relations; child observation, documentation, and assessment; positive relationships and supportive interaction; and approaches, strategies, and tools for early childhood education.
02. **Ecology and Natural Resource Management (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: ecological concepts and scientific principles related to natural resource systems; forest types; forest management components and practices; fire ecology and management; importance and application of GPS/GIS in natural resource management; fish and wildlife ecology; and mineral and energy resources management.

03. **Educational Assistant (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: knowledge of postsecondary options and career pathways; foundations of educational theories and philosophies; student diversity; instructional planning; lesson plan development; instructional delivery; assessment; and learning environment management.

04. **Electrical Technology (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: digital and solid-state circuits; DC principles; AC concepts; soldering techniques; and associated electronic components and tools.

05. **Electronics Technology (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: digital and solid-state circuits; DC principles; AC concepts; soldering techniques; circuits; digital electronics; electronic circuits; electronic devices; and electronic digital circuitry simulations and associated electronic components and tools.

06. **Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: fundamental knowledge of the emergency management services (EMS) system; medical and legal/ethical issues in the provision of emergency care; EMS systems; workforce safety and wellness; documentation; EMS system communication; therapeutic communication; anatomy and physiology; medical terminology; pathophysiology; and lifespan development (per the EMR and EMT sections of the Idaho EMS Education Standards located on the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare website). Instructor must have passed the National Registry exam. Instructor must hold a current/valid Idaho EMS license or certificate and be certified as an EMT instructor through Idaho EMS.

07. **Firefighting (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: knowledge of local, state, and federal laws and regulations; firefighting procedures; firefighting tactics; firefighting equipment and vehicles; EMT basic training; first aid and CPR training; and reporting requirements under Idaho criminal code.

08. **Food Processing Technologies (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: properties of food; principles of processing/post-processing operations; safety practices; and equipment and tools used in food processing.

09. **Graphic Design (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: the graphic design industry; elements and principles of design and visual communication; production using industry standard software; branding and corporate identity; ethical and legal issues related to graphic design; portfolio development and evaluation; mathematical skills for visual communications; communication, editing and proofreading skills; graphic design in digital media; and applied art.

10. **HVAC Technology (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of technical subjects and skills related to the HVAC trade as approved by the Idaho HVAC Board and the Idaho State Board for Career Technical Education: installing, altering, repairing, and maintaining HVAC systems and equipment including air conditioners, venting or gas supply systems, ductwork and boilers.

11. **Hospitality Management (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: business structures; economics; human resources; sales and marketing; finance and budgeting; safety and security; legal and ethical considerations; event planning and management; teamwork; communication skills; lodging operations; and food and beverage operations.

12. **Hospitality Services (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: careers in the hospitality and tourism industry; customer service; event planning
implementation; procedures applied to safety, security, and environmental issues; practices and skills involved in lodging occupations and travel-related services; and facilities management.

13. **Industrial Mechanics (6-12).** Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: industrial mechanics knowledge; shop skills; diagnostic and repair techniques; welding; hydraulic; electronic systems; and maintenance and preventative maintenance.

14. **Journalism (6-12).** Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: legal and ethical issues related to journalism and photojournalism; principles and techniques of media design; design formats; journalistic writing; social media and digital citizenship; and media leadership.

15. **Law Enforcement (6-12).** Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: knowledge of local, state, and federal laws and regulations; defensive strategies; investigative strategies; search principles and strategies; tactical procedures; vehicle operations; knowledge of weapons and use where appropriate; first aid and CPR training; social and psychological sciences; and identification systems.

16. **Precision Machining (6-12).** Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: precision machining practices; tools used to shape parts for machines; industrial mechanics; shop skills; safety in practice; blueprint reading; and diagnostic and repair techniques.

17. **Marketing (6-12).** Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: economic systems; international marketing and trade; ethics; external factors to business; product/service management; pricing; distribution channels; advertising; sales promotion; public relations; retail management; market research and characteristics; E-marketing; and financing and financial analysis.

027. **CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALIST ENDORSEMENTS N-Z.**

01. **Networking/Computer Support (6-12).** Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: PC hardware; networking technologies; laptop support; printer support; operating systems; security; mobile device support; troubleshooting techniques; and trends in the industry. Industry certification — A+, Net Plus, CIW, or CISCO — is desired.

02. **Nursing Assistant (6-12).** Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: scope of practice; ethics and legal issues; communication and interpersonal relationships; documentation; care practices; infection prevention; human anatomy and physiology; medical terminology; personal care procedures; physiological measurements; nutritional requirements and techniques; procedures and processes related to elimination; quality patient environment; patient mobility; admission, transfer, and discharge procedures; care of residents with complex needs; and safety and emergency. Instructor must hold a current/valid Idaho registered nursing license, and be approved as a certified CNA instructor through Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

03. **Ornamental Horticulture (6-12).** Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: safety practices; plant anatomy; plant physiology; plants identification skills; growing media; plant nutrition; integrated pest management; plant propagation; ornamental horticulture crops; business concepts; plant technologies; ornamental design standards; and career opportunities in ornamental horticulture.

04. **Pharmacy Technician (6-12).** Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: patient profile establishment and maintenance; insurance claim preparation; third-party insurance provider correspondence; prescription and over-the-counter medications stocking and inventorying; equipment and supplies maintenance and cleaning; and cash register operation. Instructor must be a pharmacist, registered nurse, or pharmacy technician holding a current/valid Idaho license or certification.

05. **Physical Therapy Assistant (6-12).** Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: ethical, legal, and professional responsibilities; medical terminology; anatomy and physiology; roles and responsibilities of the rehabilitation team; patient care skills; therapeutic interventions; and common pathologies. Instructor must be a health professional holding a current/valid Idaho license or certificate in
his/her field of study.

06. **Plant and Soil (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: plant anatomy and identification; plant processes, growth and development; soil and water; plant nutrition; integrated pest management; careers and technology; and safety.

07. **Plumbing Technology (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of technical subjects and skills related to the plumbing trade as approved by the Idaho Plumbing Board and the Idaho Board for Career Technical Education: repairing, installing, altering, and maintaining plumbing systems and fixtures; including, interconnecting system pipes and traps, water drainage, water supply systems, and liquid waste/sewer facilities.

08. **Pre-Engineering (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: lab safety; impacts of engineering; ethics of engineering; design process; documentation; technical drawing; 3D modeling; material science; power systems; basic energy principles; statistics; and kinematic principles.

09. **Programming and Web Technologies (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following programming areas: basic programming principles; problem solving; programming logic; validation; repetition; classes' expectations; events and functionality; arrays and structure; design principles; system analysis; implementation and support; web page development; web page design and layout; integration of web pages; web planning and organizational standards; and web marketing.

10. **Residential Construction (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: comprehensive knowledge of structural systems and processes; classical and contemporary construction elements; knowledge of industry standards; knowledge of architecture; cabinetry and millwork; and blueprint reading.

11. **Small Engine Repair/Power Sports (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: small gasoline engine construction and performance; industry-related resources; equipment used to diagnose and troubleshoot issues; repair; entrepreneurship; and customer service.

12. **Sports Medicine/Athletic Training (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: prevention, assessment, treatment, and reconditioning of athletic injuries; proper taping, strapping, bracing, and fitting of athletic equipment; implementation of prescribed treatments by the team/programs/event physician; coverage of assigned pre-season physicals, sports games or matches, and related events; principles of growth and development over the lifespan; referral and transfer of athletes; and assessment of data reflective of the athlete’s status and interpret the appropriate information. Instructor must be a certified athletic trainer or physical therapist holding a current/valid Idaho license.

13. **Welding Technology (6-12)**. Industry experience to include applied demonstration of the majority of the following areas: fundamental print reading; measurement and layout/fit-up techniques; properties of metals; shielded metal arc welding (SMAW); gas metal arc welding (GMAW and GMAW-S); flux cored arc welding (FCAW-G); gas tungsten arc welding (GTAW); thermal cutting processes; welding codes; inspection and testing principles; and fabrication techniques.

14. **Work-Based Learning (6-12)**. This endorsement must be held by educators assigned to coordinate approved work-based experiences. Applicants must hold an occupational endorsement on the Standard Instructional Certificate or qualify for an Occupational Specialist Certificate, plus complete course work in coordination of work-based learning programs.