Dear Senators MORTIMER, Thayn, Buckner-Webb, and Representatives CLOW, Kerby, McCrostie:

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. 08-0202-1902).

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 09/19/2019. 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 10/17/2019.

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: August 30, 2019
SUBJECT: State Board of and State Department of Education - State Department of Education

IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1902)

Summary and Stated Reasons for the Rule
This proposed rule incorporates by reference the most recent version of the Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. Additional changes include language clarifying nontraditional routes to teacher certification and technical corrections.

The Department states that the rules changes are being made to align with national standards and best practices.

Negotiated Rulemaking / Fiscal Impact
Negotiated rulemaking was conducted. There is no anticipated negative fiscal impact on the state general fund.

Statutory Authority
The rule appears to be within the Department's statutory authority.

cc: State Board of and State Department of Education - State Department of Education
Helen Price

*** PLEASE NOTE ***
Per the Idaho Constitution, all administrative rules may 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 Sections 33-105, 33-1254, and 33-1258, 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 August 21, 2019.

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 Professional Standards Commission (PSC) follows a strategic plan of annually reviewing 20 percent (20%) of the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel, a document incorporated by reference, as well as the corresponding certification and endorsement language within IDAPA. The proposed rule reflects a revised State Board of Education adoption date of the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel and certification and endorsement revisions for Exceptional Child Generalist, Blind and Visually Impaired, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Blended Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education, School Psychologist, School Counselor, and School Social Worker. All standards and endorsements were revised to better align with national standards and best practices. Other amendments include revisions to sections for Alternative Authorization to Endorsement and Alternate Routes to Certification to ensure clarity and reflect best practices, and addition of clarifying language addressing Educator/Student Relationship. Technical corrections include corrections to numeric order, alphabetical order, vocabulary consistency, spelling, punctuation, and/or grammar.

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: N/A


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:

The Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel is currently incorporated by reference. Because of the number of pages in the document, republication of the text would be unduly cumbersome and expensive. A complete copy of the proposed changes to the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel can be found at the State Department of Education’s website at http://sde.idaho.gov/topics/admin-rules/.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Lisa Colón Durham, Director of Certification and Professional Standards, at (208) 332-6886 or lcolondurham@sde.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 August 28, 2019.
THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED TEXT OF DOCKET NO. 08-0202-1902
(Only Those Sections With Amendments Are Shown.)

004. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE.
The State Board of Education adopts and incorporates by reference into its rules:


03. Operating Procedures for Idaho Public Driver Education Programs as approved on June 16, 2016. The Operating Procedures for Idaho Public Driver Education Programs are available at the Idaho State Department of Education, 650 W. State St., Boise, Idaho, 83702 and can also be accessed electronically at https://boardofed.idaho.gov. (3-29-17)

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)

031. Clinical Experience. Guided, hands-on, practical applications and demonstrations of professional knowledge of theory to practice, skills, and dispositions through collaborative and facilitated learning in field-based assignments, tasks, activities, and assessments across a variety of settings. Clinical experience includes field experience and clinical practice as defined in this section. (4-11-19)

042. Clinical Practice. Student teaching or internship opportunities that provide candidates with an intensive and extensive culminating field-based set of responsibilities, assignments, tasks, activities, and assessments that demonstrate candidates’ progressive development of the professional knowledge, skills, and dispositions to be
effective educators. Clinical practice includes student teaching and internship. (4-11-19)

053. 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)

064. 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)

075. Field Experience. Early and ongoing practice opportunities to apply content and pedagogical knowledge in Pre-K-12 settings to progressively develop and demonstrate knowledge, skills, and dispositions. (4-11-19)

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

097. 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)

108. 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)

119. Internship. Full-time or part-time supervised clinical practice experience in Pre-K-12 settings where candidates progressively develop and demonstrate their knowledge, skills, and dispositions. (4-11-19)

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

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

14. Paraprofessional. A noncertificated individual who is employed by a school district or charter school local education agency 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 (4-11-19)

ii. Have completed at least two (2) years of study at an accredited postsecondary educational institution.; or (3-29-17)

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. (4-11-19)

b. Individuals who do not meet these requirements will be considered school or classroom aides. (3-29-17)

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. (3-29-17)

152. Pedagogy. Teaching knowledge and skills. (3-16-04)

163. Practicum. Full-time or part-time supervised, industry-based experience in an area of intended career technical education teaching field to extend understanding of industry standards, career development opportunities, and application of technical skills. (4-11-19)

124. 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. (3-25-16)

185. Student Teaching. Extensive, substantive, and supervised clinical practice in Pre-K-12 schools for candidates preparing to teach. (4-11-19)

196. 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. (3-25-16)

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

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: (3-29-17)

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 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; (4-11-19)
c. Individuals seeking endorsement in a secondary grade (pursuant to Section 33-1001, Idaho Code) 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, including 60 semester credits, 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 Service Staff 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.

(4-11-19)

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:

(3-25-16)

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 or local education agency under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist; (3-25-16)

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 or local education agency under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist; (3-25-16)

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 or local education agency under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist; and (3-25-16)

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. Interim Endorsement – School Psychologist. This endorsement will be granted for those who do not meet the educational requirements but hold a master’s degree in school psychology and are pursuing an educational specialist degree. This non-renewable endorsement will be issued for three (3) years while the applicant is meeting the educational requirements. (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. (4-11-19)

i. The candidate must possess a valid professional 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. (4-11-19)

ii. The candidate must possess a valid professional nursing (RN) license issued by the Idaho State Board of Nursing; have two (2) years of full-time (or part-time equivalent) school nursing, community health nursing, or any other area of pediatric, adolescent, or family nursing experience; and have completed six (6) semester credit hours from a university or college in any of the following areas:

1. Health program management. (3-25-16)
2. Nursing leadership. (4-11-19)
3. Pediatric nursing or child development. (4-11-19)
4. Population of community health. (4-11-19)
5. Health care policy, ethics, or cultural competency. (4-11-19)
6. Research and/or statistics. (4-11-19)

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 or experience requirements, or both, and it is not renewable. (4-11-19)

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.

**h.** Interim Endorsement - Speech-Language Pathologist. This endorsement will be issued for those who do not meet the educational requirements but hold a baccalaureate degree in speech-language pathology and are pursuing a master’s degree. This endorsement will be issued for three (3) years while the applicant is meeting the educational requirements, and is not renewable.

**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 awarded 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.

**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 following 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

ii. An institution recommendation from an Idaho State Board of Education approved program; and

iii. The successful completion of a school social work practicum in a kindergarten through grade twelve (Pre-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 Pre-K-12 setting;

iv. A current and valid master's degree or higher social work license pursuant to chapter 32, title 54, Idaho Code, and the rules of the State Board of Social Work Examiners.

**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.

**k.** Occupational Therapist Endorsement. A candidate with a current and valid Occupational Therapy license issued by the Occupational Therapy Licensure Board of Idaho will be granted an Occupational Therapist endorsement. The Pupil Service Staff 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 for the endorsement to remain valid.

**l.** Physical Therapist Endorsement. A candidate with a current and valid Physical Therapy license issued by the Idaho Physical Therapy Licensure Board will 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 for the endorsement to remain valid.

**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: (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. (3-28-18)
   v. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Principal (Pre-K-12) Endorsement. (3-28-18)

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: (3-28-18)
   i. Hold an education specialist or doctorate degree or complete a comparable post-master's sixth year program at an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)
   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. (3-25-16)
   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. (3-25-16)
   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. (3-28-18)
   v. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Superintendent Endorsement (Pre-K-12). (3-28-18)

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: (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/licensed experience working with students Pre-K-12, while under contract in a school setting; (3-25-16)
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; (3-28-18)

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 in the area of administration of special education; and (4-11-19)

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

(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. 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

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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

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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.

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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:

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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.

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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.

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c. Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate.

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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 (40) 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 is 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 by 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

a. Each school district local education agency 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, and (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: (4-11-19)

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 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. (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.

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.

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.

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 non-traditional route to teacher certification as prescribed herein.

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.

02. Non-Traditional Route to Teacher Certification. An individual may acquire interim certification through a state board approved non-traditional route to teacher certification program.

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

i. Complete a state board approved program;

ii. Pass the state board approved pedagogy and content area assessment; and

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

b. Interim Certificate. Upon completion of this certification process, the individual will be awarded an interim certificate from the State Department of Education. During the term of the interim certificate, the individual must teach and complete a two (2) year state board approved teacher mentoring program and receive two (2) years of successful evaluations per Section 33-1001 (14), Idaho Code.

c. Interim Certificate Not Renewable. This interim certification is available on a one (1) time basis. The individual is responsible for obtaining a valid renewable standard instructional certificate during the three (3) year interim certification term.

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

023. 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. (4-11-19)

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)

024. 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. (4-11-19)

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

046. 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)

047. 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)

048. 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. (4-11-19)

03. Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Assessment. All applicants for initial Idaho certification (Kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) from an Idaho state board approved educator preparation program must demonstrate competency in comprehensive literacy. Areas to be included as parts of in 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 educator 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.

018. -- 020. (RESERVED)

021. ENDORSEMENTS.

Holders of an Standard Instructional Certificate, Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate, and Advanced or 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 approved content, pedagogy and 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 clinical 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 — Teacher to New Endorsement. Candidates shall meet all requirements of the chosen option for the endorsement as provided herein. This alternative authorization allows a local education agency to request additional endorsement for a candidate when a professional position cannot be filled with someone who has the correct endorsement. This authorization is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress. The candidate shall provide evidence of pursuing one of the following options:

a. Option I — An official statement from the college of education of competency in a teaching area or field from the college of education of an accredited college or university is acceptable in lieu of courses for a teaching field if such the statements are is created in consultation with the department or division of the accredited college or university in which the competency is established and are is 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 Content area Assessment and mentoring. Two (2) pathways are available to some teachers, depending upon endorsement(s) already held.

Pathway I — A endorsements may be added through by successfully completing a state board approved testing and a mentoring component. The appropriate test must be successfully completed content area assessment 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 board approved mentoring component; or program. (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 (1)-year state-approved mentoring component and passing a final pedagogy assessment. (3-25-16)

022. INSTRUCTIONAL CERTIFICATE ENDORSEMENTS A - D.

04. Agriculture Science and Technology (6-12). (3-16-04)

a. Forty-five (45) semester credit hours including course work in each of the following areas: agriculture education; agriculture mechanics; agriculture business management; soil science; animal science; career technical student organization leadership; plant science; and occupational teacher preparation pursuant to Subsection 015.05.a.; or

b. Occupational teacher preparation pursuant to Subsections 015.04 through 015.06. (3-28-18)

02. All Subjects (K-8). Allows one to teach in any educational setting (K-8). Twenty (20) semester credit hours, or thirty (30) quarter credit hours in the philosophical, psychological, methodological foundations, instructional technology, and professional subject matter must be in elementary education including at least six (6) semester credit hours, or nine (9) quarter credit hours, in developmental reading. This endorsement must be accompanied by at a minimum one (1) additional subject area endorsement allowing teaching of that subject through grade 9 or kindergarten through grade 12. (3-29-17)

03. American Government /Political Science (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include: a minimum of six (6) semester credit hours in American government, six (6) semester credit hours in U.S. history survey, and a minimum of three (3) semester credit hours in comparative government. Remaining course work must be selected from political science. Course work may include three (3) semester credit hours in world history survey. (3-28-18)

04. Bilingual Education (K-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours leading toward competency as defined by Idaho Standards for Bilingual Education Teachers to include all of the following: upper division coursework in one (1) modern language other than English, including writing and literature, and advanced proficiency according to the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages guidelines; cultural diversity; ESL/bilingual methods; linguistics, second language acquisition theory and practice; foundations of ESL/bilingual education, legal foundations of ESL/bilingual education, identification and assessment of English learners, biliteracy; at least one (1) semester credit hour in bilingual clinical field experience. (4-11-19)

05. Biological Science (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours including coursework in each of the following areas: molecular and organismal biology, heredity, ecology and biological adaptation. (3-29-17)

06. Blended Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education (Birth - Grade 3). The Blended Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education (Birth - Grade 3) endorsement allows one to teach in any educational setting birth through grade three (3). To be eligible, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements.

a. A minimum of thirty (30) semester credit hours, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, in the philosophical, psychological, and methodological foundations, in instructional technology, and in the professional subject matter of early childhood and early childhood-special education. The professional subject matter shall include course work specific to the child from birth through grade three (3) in the areas of child development and learning; curriculum development and implementation; family and community relationships; assessment and evaluation; professionalism; and application of technologies; clinical experience including a combination of general and special education in the following settings: birth to age three (3), ages three to five (3-5), and grades K-3 general education. (3-29-17)
b. The required credit hours here in, shall include not less than six (6) semester credit hours, or nine (9) quarter credit hours, of early childhood student teaching (K-3) and field experiences birth to age three (3) programs, and age three (3) to age five (5) programs, and three (3) semester credit hours, or four (4) quarter credit hours, of developmental reading.

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c. Proficiency in areas noted above is measured by one (1) of the following options:

i. Option I -- Demonstration of competency within the Idaho Standards for Blended Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education Teachers. Additionally, each candidate shall meet or exceed the state qualifying score on approved early-childhood assessments.

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ii. Option II -- Completion of a CAEP accredited program in blended early childhood education/early childhood special education birth through grade three (3). Additionally, each candidate shall meet or exceed the state qualifying score on approved early-childhood assessments.

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76. Blended Elementary Education/Elementary Special Education (Grade 4 - Grade 6). The Blended Elementary Education/Elementary Special Education (Grade 4 - Grade 6) endorsement allows one to teach in any grade four (4) through grade six (6) education setting, except in a middle school setting. This endorsement may only be issued in conjunction with the Blended Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education (Birth - Grade 3) endorsement. To be eligible for a Blended Elementary Education/Elementary Special Education (Grade 4 - Grade 6) endorsement, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

a. Completion of a program of a minimum of twenty (20) semester credit hours in elementary education and special education coursework to include: methodology (literacy, mathematics, science, physical education, art); and content knowledge (mathematics, literacy, science, health, physical education arts); technology; assessment; and field clinical experiences in grades four (4) through six (6).

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88. Business Technology Education (6-12).

a. Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include course work in each of the following areas: accounting; computer and technical applications in business; economics; methods of teaching business education; career guidance; career technical student organization leadership; business communication/writing, and office procedures. Additional competencies may be satisfied through the following: entrepreneurship; finance; marketing; business law; or business management; and occupational teacher preparation pursuant to Subsection 015.04.a.; or

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b. Occupational teacher preparation pursuant to Subsections 015.04 through 015.06.

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97. Chemistry (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours in the area of chemistry, to include coursework in each of the following areas: inorganic and organic chemistry.

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98. Communication (5-9 or 6-12). Follow one (1) of the following options:

a. Option I -- Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include methods of teaching speech/communications plus course work in at least four (4) of the following areas: interpersonal communication/human relations; argumentation/personal persuasion; group communications; nonverbal communication; public speaking; journalism/mass communications; and drama/theater arts.

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b. Option II -- Possess an English endorsement plus at least twelve (12) semester credit hours distributed among the following: interpersonal communication/human relations, public speaking, journalism/mass communications, and methods of teaching speech/communication.

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109. Computer Science (5-9 or 6-12).

a. Twenty (20) semester credit hours of course work in computer science, including course work in the following areas: data representation and abstraction; design, development, and testing algorithms; software development process; digital devices systems network; and the role of computer science and its impact on the modern world; or

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b. Occupational teacher preparation pursuant to Subsections 015.04 through 015.06. (3-29-17)

120. Deaf/Hard of Hearing (Pre-K-12). Completion of a minimum of thirty-three (33) semester credit hours in the area of deaf/hard of hearing with an emphasis on instruction for students who use sign language or completion of a minimum thirty-three (33) semester credit hours in the area of deaf/hard of hearing with an emphasis on instruction for students who use listening and spoken language. An institutional recommendation specific to this endorsement is required. To be eligible for a Deaf/Hard of Hearing endorsement, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements: Coursework to include: American Sign Language, listening and spoken language development, hearing assessment, hearing assistive technology, students with disabilities, pedagogy for teaching students who are deaf or hard of hearing, assessments, and clinical practice. (3-29-17)

a. Completion of a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university; (3-29-17)

b. Completion of a program from an Idaho college or university in elementary, secondary, or special education currently approved by the Idaho State Board of Education; or (3-29-17)

c. Completion of a program from an out-of-state college or university in elementary, secondary, or special education currently approved by the state educational agency of the state in which the program was completed; and (3-29-17)

d. Completion of a program of a minimum of thirty-three (33) semester credit hours in the area of Deaf/Hard of Hearing and must receive an institutional recommendation specific to this endorsement from an accredited college or university. (3-29-17)

023. INSTRUCTIONAL CERTIFICATE ENDORSEMENTS E - L.

01. Early Childhood Special Education (Pre-K-3). The Early Childhood Special Education (Pre-K-3) endorsement is non-categorical and allows one to teach in any Pre-K-3 special education setting. This endorsement may only be added to the Exceptional Child Generalist (K-8 or K-12) endorsement. To be eligible a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements: (3-28-18)

a. Completion of a program of a minimum of twenty (20) semester credit hours in the area of early childhood education to include course work in each of the following areas: child development and behavior with emphasis in cognitive-language, physical, social and emotional areas, birth through age eight (3-8); curriculum and program development for young children ages three to eight (3-8); transitional services; methodology: planning, implementing and evaluating environments and materials for young children ages three to eight (3-8); guiding young children's behavior: observing, assessing and individualizing ages three to eight (3-8); identifying and working with atypical young children ages three to eight (3-8) parent-teacher relations; and student teaching clinical practice at the Pre-K -3 grades. (3-29-17)

02. Earth and Space Science (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours including course work in each of the following areas: earth science, astronomy, and geology. (3-29-17)

03. Economics (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include a minimum of three (3) semester credit hours of micro-economics, a minimum of three (3) semester credit hours of macro-economics, and a minimum of six (6) semester credit hours of personal finance/consumer economics/economics methods. Remaining course work may be selected from business, economics, or finance course. (3-28-18)

04. Engineering (5-9 or 6-12). (3-29-17)

a. Twenty (20) semester credit hours of engineering course work. (3-29-17)

b. Occupational teacher preparation pursuant to Subsections 015.04 through 015.06. (3-29-17)

05. English (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours, including coursework in all of the following areas: grammar, American literature, British literature, multicultural/world literature, young adult
literature, and literary theory. Additionally, a course in advanced composition, excluding the introductory sequence designed to meet general education requirements, and a course in secondary English language arts methods are required.

06. **English as a Second Language (ESL) (K-12).** Twenty (20) semester credit hours leading toward competency as defined by Idaho Standards for ESL Teachers to include all of the following: a modern language other than English; cultural diversity; ESL methods; linguistics; second language acquisition theory and practice; foundations of ESL/bilingual education, legal foundations of ESL/bilingual education, identification and assessment of English learners; and at least one (1) semester credit in ESL clinical field experience.

07. **Exceptional Child Generalist (K-8, 6-12, or K-12).** The Exceptional Child Generalist endorsement is non-categorical and allows one to teach in any special education setting, applicable to the grade range of the endorsement. Regardless of prior special education experience, all initial applicants must provide an institutional recommendation that an approved special education program has been completed, with field work clinical experience to include student teaching in an elementary or secondary special education setting. To be eligible, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements: complete thirty (30) semester credit hours in special education, or closely related areas, as part of an approved special education program.

08. **Family and Consumer Sciences (6-12).**

09. **Geography (5-9 or 6-12).** Twenty (20) semester credit hours including coursework in cultural geography and physical geography, and a maximum of six (6) semester credit hours in world history survey. The remaining semester credit hours must be selected from geography.

10. **Geology (5-9 or 6-12).** Twenty (20) semester credit hours in the area of geology.

11. **Gifted and Talented (K-12).** Twenty (20) semester credit hours leading toward competency as defined by Idaho Standards for Teachers of Gifted and Talented Students, to include coursework in the following areas of gifted and talented education: foundations, creative and critical thinking, social and emotional needs, curriculum, instruction, assessment and identification, differentiated instruction, program design, and clinical practice.

12. **Health (5-9, 6-12, or K-12).** Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include course work in each of the following areas: organization/administration/planning of a school health program; health, wellness, and behavior change; secondary methods of teaching health, to include field experience in a traditional classroom; mental/ emotional health; nutrition; human sexuality; substance use and abuse. Remaining semester credits must be in health-related course work. To obtain a Health K-12 endorsement, applicants must complete an elementary health methods course.

13. **History (5-9 or 6-12).** Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include a minimum of six (6) semester credit hours of U.S. history survey and a minimum of six (6) semester credit hours of world history survey. Remaining course work must be in history. Course work may include three (3) semester credit hours in American
government. (3-29-17)

143. **Humanities (5-9 or 6-12).** An endorsement in English, history, music, visual art, drama, or foreign language and twenty (20) semester credit hours in one of the following areas or ten (10) semester credit hours in each of two (2) of the following areas: literature, music, foreign language, humanities survey, history, visual art, philosophy, drama, comparative world religion, architecture, and dance. (3-29-17)

154. **Journalism (5-9 or 6-12).** Follow one (1) of the following options: (3-29-17)
   a. Option I -- Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include a minimum of fourteen (14) semester credit hours in journalism and six (6) semester credit hours in English and/or mass communication. (3-29-17)
   b. Option II -- Possess an English endorsement with a minimum of six (6) semester credit hours in journalism. (3-16-04)

165. **Literacy (K-12).** Twenty (20) semester credit hours leading toward competency as defined by Idaho Standards for Literacy Teachers to include the following areas: foundations of literacy (including reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language); development and diversity of literacy learners; literacy in the content area; literature for youth; language development; corrective/diagnostic/remedial reading; writing methods; and reading methods. To obtain a Literacy endorsement, applicants must complete the Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course or the Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Assessment. (4-11-19)

024. **INSTRUCTIONAL CERTIFICATE ENDORSEMENTS M - Z.**

041. **Marketing Technology Education (6-12).** (3-16-04)
   a. Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include course work in each of the following areas: marketing; management; economics; coordination of cooperative programs; merchandising/retailing; methods of teaching marketing education; and career technical student organization leadership, with remaining credit hours in entrepreneurship; hospitality and tourism; finance; career guidance; or accounting and occupational teacher preparation pursuant to Subsection 015.05.a.; or
   b. Occupational teacher preparation pursuant to Subsections 015.04 through 015.06. (3-28-18)

021. **Mathematics (5-9 or 6-12).** Twenty (20) semester credit hours including course work in each of the following areas: Euclidean and transformational geometry, linear algebra, discrete mathematics, statistical modeling and probabilistic reasoning, and the first two (2) courses in a standard calculus sequence. A minimum of two (2) of these twenty (20) credits must be focused on secondary mathematics pedagogy. Statistics course work may be taken from a department other than the mathematics department. (3-29-17)

022. **Mathematics - Basic Middle Level (5-9 or 6-12).** Twenty (20) semester credit hours in Mathematics content course work in algebraic thinking, functional reasoning, Euclidean and transformation geometry and statistical modeling and probabilistic reasoning. A minimum of two (2) of these twenty (20) credits must be focused on secondary mathematics pedagogy. Six (6) semester credit hours of computer programming may be substituted for six (6) semester credits in mathematics content. (3-29-17)

043. **Music (5-9 or 6-12 or K-12).** Twenty (20) semester credit hours leading toward competency as defined by Idaho Standards for Music Teachers to include course work in the following: theory and harmony; aural skills, music history; conducting; applied music; and piano proficiency (class piano or applied piano), and secondary music methods/materials. To obtain a Music K-12 endorsement, applicants must complete an elementary music methods course. (3-29-17)

044. **Natural Science (5-9 or 6-12).** Follow one (1) of the following options: (3-29-17)
   a. Option I -- Must hold an existing endorsement in one of the following areas: biological science, chemistry, Earth science, geology, or physics; and complete a total of twenty-four (24) semester credit hours as follows: (4-7-11)
i. Existing Biological Science Endorsement. Eight (8) semester credit hours in each of the following areas: physics, chemistry, and Earth science or geology. (3-29-17)

ii. Existing Physics Endorsement. Eight (8) semester credit hours in each of the following areas: biology, chemistry, and Earth science or geology. (3-29-17)

iii. Existing Chemistry Endorsement. Eight (8) semester credit hours in each of the following areas: biology, physics, and Earth science or geology. (3-29-17)

iv. Existing Earth science or Geology Endorsement. Eight (8) semester credit hours in each of the following areas: biology, physics, and chemistry. (3-29-17)

b. Option II -- Must hold an existing endorsement in Agriculture Science and Technology; and complete twenty-four (24) semester credit hours with at least six (6) semester credit hours in each of the following areas: biology, chemistry, Earth science or geology, and physics. (3-29-17)

065. Online-Teacher (K-12). To be eligible for an Online-Teacher (K-12) endorsement, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

a. Meets the state’s professional teaching and/or licensure standards and is qualified to teach in his/her field of study. (3-25-16)

b. Provides evidence of online course time as a student and demonstrates online learning experience. (4-11-19)

c. Has completed an eight (8) week online clinical practice in a K-12 program, or has one (1) year of verifiable and successful experience as a teacher delivering curriculum online in grades K-12 within the past three (3) years. (4-11-19)

d. Provides verification of completion of a state-approved program of at least twenty (20) semester credit hours of study in online teaching and learning at an accredited college or university or a state-approved equivalent. (3-25-16)

e. Demonstrates proficiency in the Idaho Standards for Online Teachers. (4-11-19)

076. Physical Education (PE) (5-9 or 6-12 or K-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include course work in each of the following areas: personal and teaching competence in sport, movement, physical activity, and outdoor skills; secondary PE methods; administration and curriculum to include field experiences in physical education; student evaluation in PE; safety and prevention of injuries; fitness and wellness; PE for special populations; exercise physiology; kinesiology/biomechanics; motor behavior; and current CPR and first aid certification. To obtain a PE K-12 endorsement, applicants must complete an elementary PE methods course. (3-29-17)

087. Physical Science (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours in the area of physical science to include a minimum of eight (8) semester credit hours in each of the following: chemistry and physics. (3-29-17)

088. Physics (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours in the area of physics. (3-28-18)

409. Psychology (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours in the area of psychology. (3-29-17)

140. Science – Middle Level (5-9). Twenty-four (24) semester credit hours in science content coursework including at least eight (8) credits in each of the following: biology, earth science, and physical science to include lab components. Science foundation standards must be met. (4-11-19)

121. Social Studies (6-12). Must have an endorsement in history, American government/political science, economics, or geography plus a minimum of twelve (12) semester credit hours in each of the remaining core
endorsements areas: history, geography, economics, and American government/political science. (4-11-19)

132. Social Studies – Middle Level (5-9). Twenty (20) Semester credit hours in social studies content coursework including at least five (5) credits in each of the following: history, geography, and American government/political science or economics. Social studies foundations must be met. (4-11-19)

143. Sociology (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours in the area of sociology. (3-29-17)

154. Sociology/Anthropology (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours including a minimum of six (6) semester credit hours in each of the following: anthropology and sociology. (3-29-17)

165. Teacher Leader. Teacher leaders provide technical assistance to teachers and other staff in the school district local education agency with regard to the selection and implementation of appropriate teaching materials, instructional strategies, and procedures to improve the educational outcomes for students. Candidates who hold this endorsement facilitate the design and implementation of sustained, intensive, and job-embedded professional learning based on identified student and teacher needs. (4-11-19)

a. Teacher Leader – Instructional Specialist – Eligibility of Endorsement. To be eligible for a Teacher Leader – Instructional Specialist endorsement on the Standard Instructional Certificate, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

i. Education requirement: Hold a Standard Instructional Certificate. Content within coursework to include clinical supervision, instructional leadership, and advanced pedagogical knowledge; and have demonstrated competencies in the following areas: providing feedback on instructional episodes; engaging in reflective dialogue centered on classroom instruction, management, and/or experience; focused goal-setting and facilitation of individual and collective professional growth; understanding the observation cycle; and knowledge and expertise in data management platforms. (4-11-19)

ii. Experience: Completion of a minimum of three (3) years' full-time certificated teaching experience while under contract in an accredited school setting. (4-11-19)

iii. Provides verification of completion of a state-approved program of at least twenty (20) post baccalaureate semester credit hours of study at an accredited college or university or a state-approved equivalent. Program shall include ninety (90) supervised contact hours to include a combination of face-to-face and field-based professional development activities and evidence that knowledge gained and skills acquired are aligned with Idaho Teacher Leader Standards. (4-11-19)

b. Teacher Leader – Literacy – Eligibility for Endorsement. To be eligible for a Teacher Leader – Literacy endorsement on the Standard Instructional Certificate, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

i. Education Requirements: Hold a Standard Instructional Certificate and have demonstrated content competencies in the Idaho Literacy Standards. Coursework and content domains required include foundational literacy concepts; fluency, vocabulary development, and comprehension; literacy assessment concepts; and writing process, which are all centered on the following emphases: specialized knowledge of content and instructional methods; data driven decision making to inform instruction; research-based differentiation strategies; and culturally responsive pedagogy for diverse learners. (4-11-19)

ii. Experience: Completion of a minimum of three (3) years' full-time certificated experience while under contract in an accredited school setting. (4-11-19)

iii. Provides verification of completion of a state-approved program of at least twenty (20) post baccalaureate semester credit hours of study at an accredited college or university or a state-approved equivalent. Program shall include ninety (90) supervised contact hours to include a combination of face-to-face and field-based professional development activities and evidence that knowledge gained and skills acquired are aligned with Idaho Teacher Leader Standards. The candidate must meet or exceed the state qualifying score on appropriate state approved literacy content assessment. (4-11-19)
c. Teacher Leader – Mathematics – Eligibility for Endorsement. To be eligible for a Teacher Leader – Mathematics endorsement on the Standard Instructional Certificate, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

i. Education Requirements: Hold a Standard Instructional Certificate and have demonstrated content competencies. Coursework and content domains required include number and operation, geometry, algebraic reasoning, measurement and data analysis, and statistics and probability, which are centered on the following emphases: structural components of mathematics; modeling, justification, proof, and generalization; and specialized mathematical knowledge for teaching.

ii. Experience: Completion of a minimum of three (3) years' full-time certificated teaching experience while under contract in an accredited school setting.

iii. Provides verification of completion of a state-approved program of at least twenty (20) post baccalaureate semester credit hours of study at an accredited college or university or a state-approved equivalent. Program shall include ninety (90) supervised contact hours to include a combination of face-to-face and field-based professional development activities and evidence that knowledge gained and skills acquired are aligned with Idaho Teacher Leader Standards. The candidate must meet or exceed the state qualifying score on appropriate state approved math content assessment.

(4-11-19)

d. Teacher Leader – Special Education – Eligibility for Endorsement. To be eligible for a Teacher Leader – Special Education endorsement on the Standard Instructional Certificate, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

i. Education Requirements: Hold a Standard Instructional Certificate endorsed Generalist K-12, K-8, or 5-9 and have demonstrated content competencies in the following areas: assessment of learning behaviors; individualization of instructional programs based on educational diagnosis; behavioral and/or classroom management techniques; program implementation and supervision; use of current methods, materials, and resources available and management and operation of special education management platforms; identification and utilization of community or agency resources and support services; counseling, guidance, and management of professional staff; and special education law, including case law.

ii. Experience: Completion of a minimum of three (3) years' full-time certificated experience, at least two (2) years of which must be in a special education classroom setting, while under contract in an accredited school setting.

iii. Provides verification of completion of a state-approved program of at least twenty (20) post baccalaureate semester credit hours of study at an accredited college or university or a state-approved equivalent. Program shall include ninety (90) supervised contact hours to include a combination of face-to-face and field-based professional development activities and evidence that knowledge gained and skills acquired are aligned with Idaho Teacher Leader Standards.

(4-11-19)
b. Occupational teacher preparation pursuant to Subsections 015.04 through 015.06. (3-29-17)

197. Theater Arts (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours leading toward competency as defined by Idaho Standards for Theater Arts Teacher, including coursework in each of the following areas: acting and directing, and a minimum of six (6) semester credits in technical theater/stagecraft. To obtain a Theater Arts (6-12) endorsement, applicants must complete a comprehensive methods course including the pedagogy of acting, directing and technical theater. (3-29-17)

2018. Visual Arts (5-9, 6-12, or K-12). Twenty (20) Semester credit hours leading toward competency as defined by Idaho Standards for Visual Arts Teachers to include a minimum of nine (9) semester credit hours in: foundation art and design. Additional course work must include secondary arts methods, 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional studio areas. To obtain a Visual Arts (K-12) endorsement, applicants must complete an elementary art methods course. (3-29-17)

219. Visual Impairment (Pre-K-12). Completion of a program of a minimum of thirty (30) semester credit hours in the area of visual impairment. An institutional recommendation specific to this endorsement is required. To be eligible for a Visually Impaired endorsement, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements: (3-28-18)

a. Completion of a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university; (3-29-17)

b. Completion in an Idaho college or university of a program in elementary, secondary, or special education currently approved by the Idaho State Board of Education, or completion in an out-of-state college or university of a program in elementary, secondary, or special education currently approved by the state educational agency of the state in which the program was completed; (3-29-17)

c. Completion of a program of a minimum of thirty (30) semester credit hours in the area of Visual Impairment and must receive an institutional recommendation specific to this endorsement from an accredited college or university; and (3-29-17)

d. Each candidate must have a qualifying score on an approved core content assessment and a second assessment related to the specific endorsement requested. (3-29-17)

220. World Language (5-9, 6-12 or K-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include a minimum of twelve (12) intermediate or higher credits in a specific world language. Course work must include two (2) or more of the following areas: grammar, conversation, composition, culture, or literature; and course work in foreign language methods. To obtain an endorsement in a specific foreign language (K-12), applicants must complete an elementary methods course. To obtain an endorsement in a specific foreign language, applicants must complete the following: (3-28-18)

a. Score an intermediate high (as defined by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages or equivalent) on an oral proficiency assessment conducted by an objective second party; and (3-28-18)

b. A qualifying score on a state approved specific foreign language content assessment, or if a specific foreign language content assessment is not available, a qualifying score on a state approved world languages pedagogy assessment) (3-28-18)

(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 educator preparation 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 certified 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.

(4-11-19)

01. Alternative Authorization -- Teacher To New Certification. The purpose of this alternative authorization is to allows a local education agency Idaho school districts to request additional certification for a candidate who already holds a current and valid Idaho instructional certificate 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.

(3-25-16)

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

(3-29-17)

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

(3-25-16)

i. The candidate will work toward completion of an alternative route preparation a state board approved educator 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 educator preparation program 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 allows a local education agency to request an instructional certificate for an individuals who are highly and uniquely qualified in a subject area possesses distinct content knowledge and skills to teach in a district with an area of need 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 by the local education agency.

(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 portion; and

(4-11-19)

ii. The hiring district Prior to entering the classroom, the local education agency shall ensure the candidate is qualified to teach in the area of identified need, through The candidate shall meet or exceed the state qualifying score on the appropriate state board approved content or pedagogy assessment, or the candidate shall 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 Education Preparation Program.

(3-25-16)

i. At the time of Prior to authorization, a consortium comprised of a designee from the college/university to be attended or other state board approved certification educator preparation program representative, and a local education agency representative from the school district, and the candidate shall determine the preparation needed and develop a plan to meet the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. The educator preparation program shall provide procedures to assess and credit: equivalent knowledge, dispositions, and relevant life/work experiences. This The plan must include a state board approved mentoring program. While teaching under the alternative authorization, the mentor shall provide 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; and

(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 plan. The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credits annually to maintain eligibility for renewal. The candidate must attend, participate in, and successfully complete an individualized alternative route preparation program as one (1) of the conditions for annual renewal and the plan to receive a certificate of completion.

(4-11-19)

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.

(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 (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)

043. Alternative Authorization - Pupil Service Staff. The purpose of this alternative authorization is to allow Idaho school districts, a local education agency, to request endorsement/certification when a position requiring the Pupil Service Staff Certificate cannot be filled with someone who has the correct school counselor or school social worker 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.  

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

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

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

b. Alternative Route Educator Preparation Program.  

i. At the time of authorization the candidate must enroll in and work toward completion of the alternative route a state board approved educator preparation program through a participating college/university and the employing school district local education agency. The alternative route educator preparation program must include annual progress goals.  

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 maintain eligibility for renewal.  

iii. The participating college/university or the State Department of Education educator preparation program will provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent knowledge, dispositions, and relevant life/work experiences.  

iv. The candidate must meet all requirements for the endorsement/certificate as provided herein.  

043. Alternative Authorization Renewal. Annual renewal will be based on the school year and satisfactory progress toward completion of the applicable alternate authorization requirements.  

046. APPLICATION PROCEDURES / PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.  
To obtain a new, renew, or reinstate an Idaho Educator Credential, the applicant must submit an application on a form supplied by the State Department of Education or the Division of Career Technical Education as applicable to the type of certificate. All applications for new, renewed, or reinstated occupational specialist certificates must be submitted to the Division of Career Technical Education. The following requirements must be met to renew or reinstate an Idaho Educator Credential.  

01. State Board of Education Requirements for Professional Growth.  

a. Credits taken for recertification must be educationally related to the individualized professional learning plan or related to the professional practice of the applicant.  

i. Credits must be specifically tied to content areas and/or an area of any other endorsement; or  

ii. Credits must be specific to pedagogical best practices or for administrative/teacher leadership; or  

iii. Credits must be tied to a specific area of need designated by district local education agency administration.  

iv. Credits must be taken during the validity period of the certificate.  

b. Graduate or undergraduate credit will be accepted for recertification. Credit must be transcripted and completed through a college or university accredited by an entity recognized by the State Board of Education.
For pupil service staff, continuing education units completed and applied to the renewal of an occupational license issued by the appropriate Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses state licensing board will be accepted for recertification. The continuing education units must be recognized by the appropriate Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses state licensing board.

(4-11-19)

c. Credits and continuing education units must be taken during the validity period of the certificate.

(4-11-19)

d. All requests for equivalent in-service training to apply toward recertification, except occupational specialist certificates, must be made through the State Department of Education upon recommendation of the board of trustees consistent with the State Department of Education guidelines. Individuals holding Occupational Specialist Certificates must be made through the Division of Career Technical Education. Applicants must receive prior approval of in-service training and course work prior to applying for renewal. All in-service training must be aligned with the individual’s individualized professional learning plan or related to professional practice.

(3-28-18)

e. At least fifteen (15) hours of formal instruction must be given for each hour of in-service credit granted.

(4-1-97)

f. Recertification credits may not be carried over from one (1) recertification period to the next.

(4-1-97)

g. An appeals process, developed by the State Department of Education in conjunction with the Professional Standards Commission or the Division of Career Technical Education, as applicable to the certificate type, shall be available to applicants whose credits submitted for recertification, in part or as a whole, are rejected for any reason if such denial prevents an applicant from renewing an Idaho certificate. An applicant whose credits submitted for recertification are rejected, in part or as a whole, within six (6) months of the expiration of the applicant’s current certification shall be granted an automatic appeal and a temporary certification extension during the appeal or for one (1) year, whichever is greater.

(3-29-17)

02. State Board of Education Professional Development Requirements.

(4-1-97)

a. Districts Local education agencies will have professional development plans.

(4-1-97)

b. All certificated personnel will be required to complete at least six (6) semester credits or the equivalent within the five (5) year period of validity of the certificate being renewed.

(4-11-19)

c. At least three (3) semester credits will be taken for university or college credit. Verification may be by official or unofficial transcript. Individuals found to have intentionally altered transcripts used for verification, who would have not otherwise met this renewal requirement, will be investigated for violations of the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators. Any such violations may result in disciplinary action.

(3-28-18)

d. Pupil Service Staff Certificate holders who hold a professional license through the appropriate Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses state licensing board may use continuing education units applied toward the renewal of their professional license toward the renewal of the Pupil Service Staff Certificate. Fifteen (15) contact hours are equivalent to one (1) semester credit.

(4-11-19)

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

076. CODE OF ETHICS FOR IDAHO PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS (SECTIONS 33-1208 AND 33-1209, IDAHO CODE).

Believing in the worth and dignity of each human being, the professional educator recognizes the supreme importance of pursuing truth, striving toward excellence, nurturing democratic citizenship and safeguarding the freedom to learn and to teach while guaranteeing equal educational opportunity for all. The professional educator accepts the responsibility to practice the profession according to the highest ethical principles. The Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators symbolizes the commitment of all Idaho educators and provides principles by which to
01. Aspirations and Commitments.
   a. The professional educator aspires to stimulate the spirit of inquiry in students and to provide opportunities in the school setting that will help them acquire viable knowledge, skills, and understanding that will meet their needs now and in the future.
   b. The professional educator provides an environment that is safe to the cognitive, physical and psychological well-being of students and provides opportunities for each student to move toward the realization of his goals and potential as an effective citizen.
   c. The professional educator, recognizing that students need role models, will act, speak and teach in such a manner as to exemplify nondiscriminatory behavior and encourage respect for other cultures and beliefs.
   d. The professional educator is committed to the public good and will help preserve and promote the principles of democracy. He will provide input to the local school board to assist in the board’s mission of developing and implementing sound educational policy, while promoting a climate in which the exercise of professional judgment is encouraged.
   e. The professional educator believes the quality of services rendered by the education profession directly influences the nation and its citizens. He strives, therefore, to establish and maintain the highest set of professional standards of behavior, to improve educational practice, and to achieve conditions that attract highly qualified persons to the profession.
   f. The professional educator regards the employment agreement as a pledge to be executed in a manner consistent with the highest ideals of professional service. He believes that sound professional personal relationships with colleagues, governing boards, and community members are built upon integrity, dignity, and mutual respect. The professional educator encourages the practice of the profession only by qualified persons.

02. Principle I - Professional Conduct. A professional educator abides by all federal, state, and local education laws and statutes. Unethical conduct shall include the conviction of any felony or misdemeanor offense set forth in Section 33-1208, Idaho Code.

03. Principle II - Educator/Student Relationship. A professional educator maintains a professional relationship with all students, both inside and outside the physical and virtual classroom. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to:
   a. Committing any act of child abuse, including physical or emotional abuse;
   b. Committing any act of cruelty to children or any act of child endangerment;
   c. Committing or soliciting any sexual act from any minor or any student regardless of age;
   d. Committing any act of harassment as defined by district local education agency policy;
   e. Soliciting, encouraging, or consummating a romantic or inappropriate relationship (whether written, verbal, virtual, or physical) with a student, regardless of age;
   f. Soliciting or encouraging any form of personal relationship with a student that a reasonable educator would view as undermining the professional boundaries necessary to sustain an effective educator-student relationship;
   g. Using inappropriate language including, but not limited to, swearing and improper sexual
04. Principle III - Alcohol and Drugs Use or Possession. A professional educator refrains from the abuse of alcohol or drugs during the course of professional practice. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to:

a. Being on school premises or at any school-sponsored activity, home or away, involving students while possessing, using, or consuming illegal or unauthorized drugs; (3-20-04)

b. Being on school premises or at any school-sponsored activity, home or away, involving students while possessing, using, or consuming alcohol; (3-20-04)

c. Inappropriate or illegal use of prescription medications on school premises or at any school-sponsored events, home or away; (4-11-06)

d. Inappropriate or illegal use of drugs or alcohol that impairs the individual’s ability to function; and (4-11-06)

e. Possession of an illegal drug as defined in Chapter 27, Idaho Code, Uniform Controlled Substances. (3-20-04)

05. Principle IV - Professional Integrity. A professional educator exemplifies honesty and integrity in the course of professional practice. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to:

a. Fraudulently altering or preparing materials for licensure or employment; (3-20-04)

b. Falsifying or deliberately misrepresenting professional qualifications, degrees, academic awards, and related employment history when applying for employment or licensure; (3-20-04)

c. Failure to notify the state at the time of application for licensure of past revocations or suspensions of a certificate or license from another state; (3-20-04)

d. Failure to notify the state at the time of application for licensure of past criminal convictions of any crime violating the statutes or rules governing teacher certification; (3-20-14)

e. Falsifying, deliberately misrepresenting, or deliberately omitting information regarding the evaluation of students or personnel, including improper administration of any standardized tests (changing test answers; copying or teaching identified test items; unauthorized reading of the test to students, etc.); (4-11-06)

f. Falsifying, deliberately misrepresenting, or deliberately omitting reasons for absences or leaves; (3-20-04)

g. Falsifying, deliberately misrepresenting, or deliberately omitting information submitted in the course of an official inquiry or investigation; (3-20-14)
h. Falsifying, deliberately misrepresenting, or deliberately omitting material information on an official evaluation of colleagues; and (3-20-14)

i. Failure to notify the state of any criminal conviction of a crime violating the statutes and/or rules governing teacher certification. (3-20-14)

06. Principle V - Funds and Property. A professional educator entrusted with public funds and property honors that trust with a high level of honesty, accuracy, and responsibility. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to:

a. Misuse, or unauthorized use, of public or school-related funds or property; (3-20-04)

b. Failure to account for school funds collected from students, parents, or other donors from all sources, including online donation platforms; (3-20-14)

c. Submission of fraudulent requests for reimbursement of expenses or for pay; (3-20-04)

d. Co-mingling of public or school-related funds in personal bank account(s); (3-20-04)

e. Use of school property for private financial gain; (3-20-14)

f. Use of school computers to deliberately view or print pornography; and, (3-20-04)

g. Deliberate use of poor budgeting or accounting practices. (3-20-04)

07. Principle VI - Compensation. A professional educator maintains integrity with students, colleagues, parents, patrons, or business personnel when accepting gifts, gratuities, favors, and additional compensation. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to:

a. Unauthorized solicitation of students or parents of students to purchase equipment, supplies, or services from the educator who will directly benefit; (3-20-14)

b. Acceptance of gifts from vendors or potential vendors for personal use or gain where there may be the appearance of a conflict of interest; (3-20-04)

c. Tutoring students assigned to the educator for remuneration unless approved by the local board of education; and, (3-20-04)

d. Soliciting, accepting, or receiving a financial benefit greater than fifty dollars ($50) as defined in Section 18-1359(b), Idaho Code. (3-20-14)

e. Keeping for oneself donations, whether money or items, that were solicited or accepted for the benefit of a student, class, classroom, or school. (3-28-18)

08. Principle VII - Confidentiality. A professional educator complies with state and federal laws and local school board policies relating to the confidentiality of student and employee records, unless disclosure is required or permitted by law. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to:

a. Sharing of confidential information concerning student academic and disciplinary records, personal confidences, health and medical information, family status or income, and assessment or testing results with inappropriate individuals or entities; and (3-20-14)

b. Sharing of confidential information about colleagues obtained through employment practices with inappropriate individuals or entities. (3-20-04)

09. Principle VIII - Breach of Contract or Abandonment of Employment. A professional educator
fulfills all terms and obligations detailed in the contract with the local board of education or education agency for the duration of the contract. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to:

10. Principle IX - Duty to Report. A professional educator reports breaches of the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators and submits reports as required by Idaho Code. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to:

a. Failure to comply with Section 33-1208A, Idaho Code, (reporting requirements and immunity); (3-20-04)

b. Failure to comply with Section 16-1605, Idaho Code, (reporting of child abuse, abandonment or neglect); (4-11-06)

c. Failure to comply with Section 33-512B, Idaho Code, (suicidal tendencies and duty to warn); and (4-11-06)

d. Having knowledge of a violation of the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators and failing to report the violation to an appropriate education official. (3-20-04)

11. Principle X - Professionalism. A professional educator ensures just and equitable treatment for all members of the profession in the exercise of academic freedom, professional rights and responsibilities while following generally recognized professional principles. Unethical conduct includes, but is not limited to:

a. Any conduct that seriously impairs the Certificate holder’s ability to teach or perform his professional duties; (3-20-14)

b. Committing any act of harassment toward a colleague; (4-11-06)

c. Failure to cooperate with the Professional Standards Commission in inquiries, investigations, or hearings; (3-20-04)

d. Using institutional privileges for the promotion of political candidates or for political activities, except for local, state or national education association elections; (4-11-06)

e. Willfully interfering with the free participation of colleagues in professional associations; and (4-11-06)

f. Taking, or possessing, or sharing images (digital, photographic, or video) of colleagues of a harassing, confidential, or sexual nature. (4-11-15)

077. DEFINITIONS FOR USE WITH THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR IDAHO PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS (SECTIONS 33-1208 AND 33-1209, IDAHO CODE).

01. Administrative Complaint. A document issued by the State Department of Education outlining the specific, purported violations of Section 33-1208, Idaho Code, or the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators. (3-20-04)

02. Allegation. A purported violation of the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators or Idaho Code. (3-20-04)
03. **Certificate.** A document issued by the Department of Education under the authority of the State Board of Education allowing a person to serve in any elementary or secondary school in the capacity of teacher, supervisor, administrator, education specialist, school nurse or school librarian (Section 33-1201, Idaho Code). (3-20-04)

04. **Certificate Denial.** The refusal of the state to grant a certificate for an initial or reinstatement application. (3-20-04)

05. **Certificate Suspension.** A time-certain invalidation of any Idaho certificate as determined by a stipulated agreement or a due process hearing panel as set forth in Section 33-1209, Idaho Code. (3-20-04)

06. **Complaint.** A signed document defining the allegation that states the specific ground or grounds for revocation, suspension, denial, place reasonable conditions on a certificate or issuance of a letter of reprimand (Section 33-1209(1), Idaho Code). The State Department of Education may initiate a complaint. (4-11-06)

07. **Conditioned Certificate.** Allows an educator to retain licensure under certain stated Certificate conditions as determined by the Professional Standards Commission (Section 33-1209(102), Idaho Code). (3-20-04)

08. **Contract.** Any signed agreement between the school district and a certificated educator pursuant to Section 33-513(1), Idaho Code. (3-20-04)

09. **Conviction.** Refers to all instances regarding a finding of guilt by a judge or jury; a plea of guilty by Nolo Contendere or Alford plea; or all proceedings in which a sentence has been suspended, deferred or withheld. (3-20-04)

10. **Educator.** A person who held, holds, or applies for an Idaho Certificate (Section 33-1001(16) and Section 33-1201, Idaho Code). (3-20-04)

11. **Education Official.** An individual identified by local school board policy, including, but not limited to, a superintendent, principal, assistant principal, or school resource officer (SRO). (3-20-04)

12. **Executive Committee.** A decision-making body comprised of members of the Professional Standards Commission, including the chair and/or vice-chair of the Commission. A prime duty of the Committee is to review purported alleged violations of the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators to determine probable cause and direction for recommend possible disciplinary action to be taken against a Certificate holder. (3-20-14)

13. **Hearing.** A formal review proceeding that ensures the respondent due process. The request for a hearing is initiated by the respondent and is conducted by a panel of peers. (3-20-04)

14. **Hearing Panel.** A minimum of three (3) educators appointed by the chair of the Professional Standards Commission and charged with the responsibility to make a final determination regarding the charges specifically defined in the Administrative Complaint. (3-20-04)

15. **Investigation.** The process of gathering factual information concerning a valid, written complaint in preparation for review by the Professional Standards Commission Executive Committee, or following review by the Executive Committee at the request of the deputy attorney general assigned to the Department of Education Professional Standards Commission. (3-20-14)

16. **Minor.** Any individual who is under eighteen (18) years of age. (3-20-04)

17. **Not-Sufficient Grounds No Probable Cause.** A determination by the Executive Committee that there is not sufficient evidence to take action against an educator’s certificate. (3-20-14)

18. **Principles.** Guiding behaviors that reflect what is expected of professional educators in the state of
Idaho while performing duties as educators in both the private and public sectors. (3-20-04)

14. **Probable Cause.** A determination by the Executive Committee that sufficient evidence exists to issue an administrative complaint.

195. **Reprimand.** A written letter admonishing the Certificate holder for his their conduct. The reprimand cautions that further unethical conduct may lead to consideration of a more severe action against the holder’s Certificate. (3-20-04)

2016. **Respondent.** The legal term for the professional educator who is under investigation for a purported violation of the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators. (3-20-04)

217. **Revocation.** The invalidation of any Certificate held by the educator. (3-20-04)

2218. **Stipulated Agreement.** A written agreement between the respondent and the Professional Standards Commission to resolve matters arising from an allegation of unethical conduct following a complaint or an investigation. The stipulated agreement is binding to both parties and is enforceable under its own terms or by subsequent action by the Professional Standards Commission. (3-20-04)

23. **Student.** Any individual enrolled in any Idaho public or private school from preschool through grade 12. (3-20-04)

24. **Sufficient Grounds.** A determination by the Executive Committee that sufficient evidence exists to issue an Administrative Complaint. (3-20-04)
INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE SYNOPSIS

In compliance with Section 67-5223(4), Idaho Code, the following is a synopsis of the differences between the materials previously incorporated by reference in this rule that are currently of full force and effect and newly revised or amended versions of these same materials that are being proposed for incorporation by reference under this rulemaking.

The following agency of the state of Idaho has prepared this synopsis as part of the proposed rulemaking for the chapter cited here under the docket number specified:

BOARD AND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity
Proposed Rulemaking - Docket No. 08-0202-1902

This is a synopsis of the changes to the Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel that are incorporated by reference in IDAPA 08.02.02, “Rules Governing Uniformity,” Subsection 004.01.

The Professional Standards Commission follows a Strategic Plan of annually reviewing twenty percent (20%) of the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. The following standards were reviewed by committees of content experts and are ready for submission: Exceptional Child Generalist, Blind and Visually Impaired, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Blended Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education, School Psychologist, School Counselor, and School Social Worker. All standards and endorsements were revised to better align with national standards and best practices and then presented to the Professional Standards Commission and State Board of Education for consideration.

EXCEPTIONAL CHILD GENERALIST
- Many sections were moved for improved organization, readability, and clear alignment between the standards and indicators
- Updated language to match best practices regarding the scope and standards of practice as identified by national special education associations
- Added verbiage specific to social-emotional, behavioral, and life skills within academic curricula
- Strengthened language regarding educator ethical practice and legal rights for individuals with exceptionalities

BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED
- Embedded language to match best practices regarding the scope and standards of practice as identified by the Expanded Core Curriculum (compensatory or functional
academic skills; academic skills, including communication modes; orientation and mobility; social interaction skills; independent living skills; recreation and leisure skills; career education; use of assistive technology; sensory efficiency skills; and self-determination)

- Updated terms regarding the use of materials and resources that support students who are blind and/or visually impaired
- Removed redundancies that are embedded throughout the Idaho Core Teacher Standards

**DEAF/HARD OF HEARING**

- Strengthened language specific to the educator’s effective use of, and ability to prepare students to effectively use assistive technology, interpreting services, and support personnel
- Removed redundancies that are embedded throughout the Idaho Core Teacher Standards
- Inserted language specific to compliance with legal, regulatory, and ethical parameters of special education, including agreements between the Idaho State Department of Education and the Idaho Educational Services for the Deaf and Blind

**BLENDED EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION/EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION**

- Updated language to match best practices regarding the scope and standards of practice as identified by Idaho Early Learning eGuidelines, National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Standards for Early Childhood Professional Preparation, and the Council for Exceptional Children/Division for Early Childhood (CEC/DEC) Initial Preparation Standards
- Inserted language to ensure that teachers understand the importance of how learners grow and develop
- Added verbiage to match best practices regarding assessments, proficiency standards, and child development
- Removed extraneous supporting explanations and language repeated in other areas to streamline the standards language

**SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST**

- Many sections were moved for improved organization, readability, and clear alignment between the standards and indicators
- Emphasized the necessity of understanding effective communication and collaboration among families, teachers, community providers, and others
- Strengthened language pertaining to evidence-based instructional strategies used to improve student engagement and learning
- Incorporated language regarding student mental health, safety, and physical well-being; and the importance of developing, implementing, and evaluating prevention and intervention programs
SCHOOL COUNSELOR

- Updated language to match best practices regarding the scope and standards of practice as identified by the 2018 American School Counselor Association (ASCA) Standards for School Counselor Preparation Programs
- Emphasized the need for school counselors to collaborate with parents, teachers, support personnel, administrators, and community partners to create learning environments that promote and support educational equity, success, and well-being for every student
- Inserted language to ensure the understanding of the impact of human development on learning and life outcomes
- Strengthened the language regarding management of school counseling programs, using multiple data points to gather information and improve practice, as well as ongoing reflection

SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER

- Updated the organization of standards as well as specific language to match those from the 2015 Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards, the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) School Social Work Standards, and the School Social Work Association of America’s National School Social Work Model: Improving Academic and Behavioral Outcomes
- Inserted language that the competent school social worker understands that the state-issued social work license ensures ethical, legal, and professional social work practice in the P-12 educational setting
- Added verbiage specific to ethical and professional behavior; diversity and differences; human rights and social, emotional, and environmental justice; practice-informed research and research-informed practice; policy practice; student, family, school, and community engagement, assessment, intervention, and evaluative practice