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)

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

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)

041. 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)
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.

152. Pedagogy. Teaching knowledge and skills.

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.

174. 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.

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

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.

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTION)

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.

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:

a. Professional education requirements:

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

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

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
training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist;

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

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

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

**d. 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.

**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.

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.

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.
2. Nursing leadership.
3. Pediatric nursing or child development.
5. Health care policy, ethics, or cultural competency.
6. Research and/or statistics.

**ef. 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.

**fg. 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
the Director of Special Education endorsement. Possession of an Administrator Certificate does not entitle the holder to serve as a teacher at a grade level for which the educator is not qualified or certificated. All administrator certificates require candidates to meet the Idaho Standards for School Principals. The Administrator Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the certificate. (3-28-18)

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

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

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

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

iv. Provide verification of completion of a state-approved program of at least thirty (30) semester credit hours, forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, of graduate study in school administration for the preparation of school principals at an accredited college or university. This program shall include the competencies of the Idaho Standards for School Principals. (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 addition 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)
ii. Hold a superintendent or principal (Pre-K-12) endorsement on a standard administrator certificate and provide evidence of a minimum or four (4) years teaching, three (3) of which must be in a career technical discipline or successfully complete the Division of Career Technical Education twenty-seven (27) month Idaho career technical education leadership institute. (3-28-18)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ii. Pathway II - Cohort Training: Within the first twelve (12) months, the holder must enroll in the Division of Career Technical Education sponsored two-year cohort training and complete the two (2) training within the three-year validity period of the interim certificate. (3-28-18)
Idaho American Indian Certificate as American Indian languages teachers. (3-25-16)

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

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

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

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

a. Each school district 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. (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)

eh. 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 600.02 e. 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 an Early Childhood Education-Elementary Education (Birth-Grade 3) endorsement who is employed by a school district or charter school as a K-3 multi-subject or special education teacher; (3-28-18)

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

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

iv. Each teacher holding an Exceptional Child Generalist endorsement who is employed by a school
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.

**032. 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)

**034. 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)

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

(3-28-18)

a. Two (2) years 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)

**062. 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)

**078. 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)
c. Option III -- Master's degree or higher. By earning a graduate degree in a content specific area, candidates may add an endorsement in that same content area to a valid instructional certificate. (3-28-18)

d. Option IV -- Testing and/or **Content area Assessment and mentoring. Two (2) pathways are available to some teachers, depending upon endorsements already held.** (3-29-17)

i. **Pathway 1** -- An endorsement 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 and 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. (3-28-18)

022. INSTRUCTIONAL CERTIFICATE ENDORSEMENTS A - D.

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

a. Forty-five (45) semester credit hours including coursework in each of the following areas: agriculture education, agriculture mechanics, agriculture business management, soil science, animal science, career technical education, 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 coursework 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...
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.

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.

409. 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

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

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.

a. Completion of a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university.

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.

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.

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.

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:

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 (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.

02. Earth and Space Science (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours including course work
Geology (5-9 or 6-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours in the area of geology. (3-29-17)

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. (4-11-19)

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. (3-29-17)

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)

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)

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. (3-29-17)

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)

INSTRUCTIONAL CERTIFICATE ENDORSEMENTS M - Z.

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 (3-28-18)

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

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
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.

082. **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)

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

402. **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)

142. **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 met 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)
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.

176. Teacher Librarian (K-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours of coursework leading toward competency as defined by Idaho Standards for Teacher Librarians to include the following: collection development/materials selection, literature for children and/or young adults, organization of information to include cataloging and classification, school library administration/management, library information technologies, information literacy, and reference and information service.

18. Technology Education (6-12).

a. Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include coursework in each of the following areas: communication technology, computer applications, construction technology, electronics technology, manufacturing technology, power, energy and transportation and other relevant emerging technologies, career-technical student organization, leadership, principles of engineering design, and occupational teacher preparation pursuant to Subsection 015.03.a. or

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

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.

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 coursework 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.

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:

a. Completion of a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university.

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.

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;

d. Each candidate must have a qualifying score on an approved core content assessment and a second assessment related to the specific endorsement requested.

220. World Language (5-9, 6-12 or K-12). Twenty (20) semester credit hours to include a minimum of
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 possessing 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 an additional two (2) 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 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. A teacher 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; and  

(3-25-16)  

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

(3-20-04)  

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

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

(3-29-17)
054. Alternative Authorization Renewal. Annual renewal will be based on the school year and satisfactory progress toward completion of the applicable alternate authorization requirements.

043. -- 059. (RESERVED)

060. 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.

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

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.

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

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

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
directly influences the nation and its citizens. He strives, therefore, to establish and maintain the highest set of professional principles of behavior, to improve educational practice, and to achieve conditions that attract highly qualified persons to the profession.

(4-11-06)

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.

(4-11-06)

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.

(3-20-14)

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;

(3-20-04)

b. Committing any act of cruelty to children or any act of child endangerment;

(3-20-04)

c. Committing or soliciting any sexual act from any minor or any student regardless of age;

(3-20-04)

d. Committing any act of harassment as defined by district local education agency policy;

(4-11-06)

e. Soliciting, encouraging, or consummating a romantic or inappropriate relationship (whether written, verbal, virtual, or physical) with a student, regardless of age;

(3-20-14)

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;

(3-20-14)

g. Using inappropriate language including, but not limited to, swearing and improper sexual comments (e.g., sexual innuendos or sexual idiomatic phrases);

(3-20-04)

h. Taking or possessing images (digital, photographic, or video) of students of a harassing, confidential, or sexual nature;

(4-11-15)

i. Inappropriate contact with any minor or any student regardless of age using electronic or social media;

(4-11-06)

j. Furnishing alcohol or illegal or unauthorized drugs to any student or allowing or encouraging a student to consume alcohol or unauthorized drugs except in a medical emergency;

(3-20-14)

k. Conduct that is detrimental to the health or welfare of students; and

(3-20-14)

l. Deliberately falsifying information presented to students.

(3-20-14)

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:

(3-20-14)

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)
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;  (3-20-14)

   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  (3-20-04)

   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:

   a. Abandoning any contract for professional services without the prior written release from the contract by the employing *school district* or *local education* agency;  (3-20-04)

   b. Willfully refusing to perform the services required by a contract; and,  (3-20-04)

   c. Abandonment of classroom or failure to provide appropriate supervision of students at school or school-sponsored activities to ensure the safety and well-being of students.  (3-20-04)

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

9. **Conviction.** Refers to all instances regarding a finding of guilt by a judge or jury a plea of guilt by **No contention** or **Afford plea**, or all proceedings in which a sentence has been suspended, deferred or withheld. (3-20-04)

10. **Educator.** A person who **holds**, 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 apparent 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)

19. **Probable Cause.** A determination by the Executive Committee that sufficient evidence exists to issue an administrative complaint. (3-20-04)

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

21. **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)

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

23. **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