

Item 9:
Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates

DISCUSSION AND ACTION

SUMMARY: This item provides the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) an opportunity to propose amendments to 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates. The proposed amendments would remove certificates no longer issued by the SBEC; would strike, where applicable, language referencing deadlines for use of test scores for certificate issuance; would add three new special education certificates into rule; would update language specific to licensure requirements for cosmetology certification; and would propose the addition of a new foreign language certificate to the list of credentials issued by the SBEC. Technical changes would also provide clarification and consistent information related to the classroom teacher certificates issued by the SBEC.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: The statutory authority for 19 TAC Chapter 233 is the Texas Education Code (TEC), §§21.003(a); 21.031; 21.041(b)(1)–(4) and (6); 21.044(e) and (f); 21.0442; 21.048(a) and (a-2); 21.0487; 21.0489; 21.0491; and 22.0831(f)(1) and (2).

TEC, §21.003(a), states that a person may not be employed as a teacher, teacher intern or teacher trainee, librarian, educational aide, administrator, educational diagnostician, or school counselor by a school district unless the person holds an appropriate certificate or permit issued as provided by the TEC, Chapter 21, Subchapter B.

TEC, §21.031, authorizes the SBEC to regulate and oversee all aspects of the certification, continuing education, and standards of conduct of public school educators, and states that in proposing rules under the TEC, Chapter 21, Subchapter B, the SBEC shall ensure that all candidates for certification or renewal of certification demonstrate the knowledge and skills necessary to improve the performance of the diverse student population of this state.

TEC, §21.041(b)(1), requires the SBEC to propose rules that provide for the regulation of educators and the general administration of the TEC, Chapter 21, Subchapter B, in a manner consistent with the TEC, Chapter 21, Subchapter B.

TEC, §21.041(b)(2), requires the SBEC to propose rules that specify the classes of educator certificates to be issued, including emergency certificates.

TEC, §21.041(b)(3), requires the SBEC to propose rules that specify the period for which each class of educator certificate is valid.

TEC, §21.041(b)(4), requires the SBEC to propose rules that specify the requirements for the issuance and renewal of an educator certificate.

TEC, §21.041(b)(6), requires the SBEC to propose rules that provide for special or restricted certification of educators, including certification of instructors of American Sign Language.

TEC, §21.044(e), provides the requirements that SBEC rules must specify for a person to obtain a certificate to teach a health science technology education course.

TEC, §21.044(f), provides that SBEC rules for obtaining a certificate to teach a health science technology education course shall not specify that a person must have a bachelor's degree or establish any other credential or teaching experience requirements that exceed the requirements under TEC, §21.044(e).

TEC, §21.0442, requires the SBEC to create an abbreviated educator preparation program (EPP) for trade and industrial workforce training.

TEC, §21.048(a), requires the SBEC to propose rules prescribing comprehensive examinations for each class of certificate issued by the SBEC. TEC, §21.048(a), also specifies that the commissioner of education shall determine the satisfactory level of performance required for each certification examination and require a satisfactory level of examination performance in each core subject covered by the generalist certification examination.

TEC, §21.048(a-2), requires the SBEC to adopt rules to require individuals teaching any grade level from Prekindergarten–Grade 6 to demonstrate proficiency in the science of teaching reading.

TEC, §21.0487, requires the SBEC to establish a standard Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps teaching certificate.

TEC, §21.0489, requires the SBEC to create a Prekindergarten–Grade 3 certificate.

TEC, §21.0491, requires the SBEC to create a probationary and standard trade and industrial workforce training certificate.

TEC, §22.0831(f)(1) and (2), state the SBEC may propose rules regarding the deadline for the national criminal history check and implement sanctions for persons failing to comply with the requirements.

The full text of statutory citations can be found in the statutory authority section of this agenda.

EFFECTIVE DATE: If approved for filing as proposed in December 2022, and if adopted, subject to State Board of Education (SBOE) review, at the February 10, 2023 SBEC meeting, the proposed effective date of the proposal would be May 11, 2023 (20 days after filing as adopted with the *Texas Register*). The proposed effective date is based on the SBEC and SBOE meeting schedules.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION: The SBEC last amended 19 TAC §§233.5, 233.8, 233.10, 233.14, and 233.15 effective October 21, 2018. The SBEC last amended 19 TAC §§233.1, 233.2, and 233.3 effective October 15, 2020.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND JUSTIFICATION: The SBEC rules in 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates, establish separate certificate categories within the certificate class for the classroom teacher. These categories identify the content area or special population the holder may teach, the grade levels the holder may teach, and the earliest date the certificate may be issued.

Following is a description of the proposed amendments included in the attachment.

§233.1. General Authority.

The proposed amendment in 19 TAC §233.1(e) would delete references to use of test scores for certificate issuance and applicability of catastrophic illness and military service since these provisions are addressed in other SBEC rules. The proposed amendment would also ensure that there is clarity around required tests for certification and deadlines for certificate issuance as reflected in Figure §230.21(e) of 19 TAC Chapter 230, Subchapter C, Assessment of Educators.

§233.2. Early Childhood; Core Subjects.

The proposed amendment in §233.2(b) Core Subjects: Early Childhood–Grade 6 and §233.2(c) Core Subjects: Grades 4–8 certificates would delete these certificate references since they are no longer credentials issued by the SBEC. Proposed amendment in §233.2(d) Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading: Early Childhood–Grade 6 certificate would delete references to use of passing scores on Core Subjects examinations and related deadlines for purposes of certificate issuance. The remaining rules in this section will be re-lettered to subsections (b) and (c).

§233.3. English Language Arts and Reading; Social Studies.

The proposed amendment to §233.3(a) English Language Arts and Reading: Grades 4–8 and §233.3(d) English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies: Grades 4–8 certificates would delete these certificate references since they are no longer issued by the SBEC. The proposed amendment to §233.3(b) would also delete references to use of passing scores on the 117 ELAR 4–8 TExES examination and related deadlines for purposes of certificate issuance. The remaining rules in this section would be re-lettered to subsections (a)–(h).

§233.5. Technology Applications and Computer Science.

The proposed amendment to §233.5(a) would delete the reference to the Technology Applications: Grades 8–12 certificate that is no longer issued by the SBEC. The remaining rules in this section will be re-lettered to subsections (a) and (b).

§233.8. Special Education.

The proposed amendment would add the following three new special education certificates into rule: §233.8(a), Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading/Special Education: Early Childhood-Grade 6; §233.8(b), Deafblind Supplemental: Early Childhood-Grade 12; and §233.8(d), Special Education Specialist: Early Childhood–Grade 12. The proposed addition of these new certificates reflects years of work completed by Texas Education Agency (TEA) staff and stakeholders in developing new special education standards approved by the SBEC and honors the continuing test development work completed by stakeholders and advisory committees. The proposed amendment would also specify that the new special education certificates would be issued by the SBEC no earlier than September 1, 2025, and September 1, 2026, accordingly. The remaining rules in this section would be re-lettered to subsections (c)–(g).

§233.10. Fine Arts.

The proposed amendment to §233.10(d) would delete the Dance: Grades 8–12 certificate that is no longer issued by the SBEC. The remaining rule in this section would be re-lettered to subsection (d).

§233.14. Career and Technical Education (Certificates requiring experience and preparation in a skill area).

The proposed amendment to §233.14(d)(2), Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12 certificate, would provide a technical edit by clarifying the acronym, NOCTI, refers to the National Occupational Competency Testing Institute. NOCTI's teacher assessments are designed to measure an individual's knowledge of high-level concepts, theories, and applications in specific technical areas and to evaluate individuals with a combination of education, training, and work experiences. The proposed amendment would also update references to the credentials that must be held by a cosmetology teacher (i.e., a valid Cosmetology Operator license or Class A Barber Operator license) and would align with legislation to eliminate the outdated reference to a current cosmetology instructor license issued by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation.

The proposed amendment to §233.14(d)(3) would clarify that individuals seeking initial certification in Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12 certificate, would satisfy the required years of classroom teaching experience on an intern or probationary certificate, and not on an emergency permit. The emergency permit reference would be removed because SBEC rules do not allow the experience serving on that credential to count toward completion of EPP preparation and certification requirements for licensure. This amendment aligns with other SBEC rules and does not reflect a change in procedures.

§233.15. Languages Other Than English.

Proposed new §233.15(a)(14), Tamil: Early Childhood–Grade 12, would add a new foreign language certificate area to the list of certificates to be issued by the SBEC no earlier than September 1, 2025. The addition of the Tamil certificate would address a petition for a new certificate area from 2018 and would align with the certification examination and corresponding implementation date being added as a proposed amendment to Figure: 19 TAC §230.21(e), in a separate discussion item, 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation and Certification, Subchapter A, General Provisions, and Subchapter C, Assessment of Educators. The proposed deletion of §233.15(15), Urdu: Early Childhood–Grade 12, would remove this credential from the list of certificates issued by the SBEC as standards or test development activities were never initiated for this certificate area. The remaining rules would be re-lettered to paragraphs (15) and (16).

FISCAL IMPACT: The Texas Education Agency (TEA) staff has determined that there is no additional fiscal impact on state or local governments and that there are no additional costs to entities required to comply with the proposal.

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT IMPACT: The proposal has no effect on local economy; therefore, no local employment impact statement is required under Texas Government Code (TGC), §2001.022.

SMALL BUSINESS, MICROBUSINESS, AND RURAL COMMUNITY IMPACT: The proposal has no direct adverse economic impact for small businesses, microbusinesses, or rural communities; therefore, no regulatory flexibility analysis, specified in TGC, §2006.002, is required.

COST INCREASE TO REGULATED PERSONS: The proposal does not impose a cost on regulated persons, another state agency, a special district, or a local government and, therefore, is not subject to TGC, §2001.0045.

TAKINGS IMPACT ASSESSMENT: The proposal does not impose a burden on private real property and, therefore, does not constitute a taking under TGC, §2007.043.

GOVERNMENT GROWTH IMPACT: The TEA staff prepared a Government Growth Impact Statement assessment for this proposed rulemaking. During the first five years the proposed rulemaking would be in effect, it would not create or eliminate a government program; would not require the creation of new employee positions or elimination of existing employee positions; would not require an increase or decrease in future legislative appropriations to the agency; would not require an increase or decrease in fees paid to the agency; would not create a new regulation; would not expand, limit, or repeal an existing regulation; would not increase or decrease the number of individuals subject to its applicability; and would not positively or adversely affect the state's economy.

PUBLIC BENEFIT AND COST TO PERSONS: The public benefit anticipated as a result of the proposal would be the continued issuance of classroom teaching certificates to eligible individuals. The TEA staff has determined that there is no anticipated cost to persons required to comply with the proposal.

DATA AND REPORTING IMPACT: The proposal would have no new data and reporting impact.

PRINCIPAL AND CLASSROOM TEACHER PAPERWORK REQUIREMENTS: The TEA staff has determined that the proposal would not require a written report or other paperwork to be completed by a principal or classroom teacher.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: The public comment period on the proposal begins December 30, 2022, and ends January 30, 2023. The SBEC will take registered oral and written comments on the proposal at the February 10, 2023 meeting in accordance with the SBEC board operating policies and procedures.

ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates, to be published as proposed in the *Texas Register*.

Staff Member Responsible:

Marilyn Cook, Director, Educator Certification

Attachment:

Text of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates

ATTACHMENT

Text of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC

Chapter 233. Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates

§233.1. General Authority.

- (a) In this chapter, the State Board for Educator Certification establishes separate certificate categories within the certificate class for the classroom teacher established under §230.33 of this title (relating to Classes of Certificates).
- (b) For purposes of authorizing a person to be employed by a school district under the Texas Education Code, §21.003(a), a certificate category identifies:
- (1) the content area or the special student population the holder may teach;
 - (2) the grade levels the holder may teach; and
 - (3) the earliest date the certificate may be issued.
- (c) Unless provided otherwise in this title, the content area and grade level of a certificate category as well as the standards underlying the certification examination for each category are aligned with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills curriculum adopted by the State Board of Education.
- (d) A category includes both a standard certificate and the related emergency or temporary credential. A category may comprise a standard base certificate or a supplemental certificate. A supplemental certificate may be issued only to a person who already holds the appropriate standard base certificate.
- (e) A person must satisfy all applicable requirements and conditions under this title and other law to be issued a certificate in a category. A person seeking an initial standard certification must pass the appropriate examination(s) as prescribed in §230.21 of this title (relating to Educator Assessment). ~~[A person completing requirements for an initial standard certificate using a score on an examination that has been eliminated must apply and pay for the certification and be recommended by an educator preparation program by the deadline specified in this chapter to be eligible for issuance of the certificate. Exceptions may be granted for a period of two years after the elimination of the examination for catastrophic illness of the educator or an immediate family member or military service of the applicant.]~~
- (f) If the governor declares a state of disaster consistent with the Texas Government Code, §418.014, Texas Education Agency staff may extend deadlines in this chapter for up to 90 days as necessary to accommodate persons in the affected disaster areas.
- (g) The general assignment descriptions in this chapter, where applicable, are subject to the specific provisions for the assignment of a holder of a certificate in Chapter 231 of this title (relating to Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments), and in the event of any conflict with this chapter, Chapter 231 of this title shall prevail.

§233.2. Early Childhood; Core Subjects.

- (a) Early Childhood: Prekindergarten-Grade 3. The Early Childhood: Prekindergarten-Grade 3 certificate may be issued no earlier than January 1, 2020.
- ~~[(b) Core Subjects: Early Childhood-Grade 6. The Core Subjects: Early Childhood-Grade 6 certificate may be issued no earlier than January 1, 2015, and no later than December 31, 2020.]~~
- ~~[(c) Core Subjects: Grades 4-8. The Core Subjects: Grades 4-8 certificate may be issued no earlier than January 1, 2015, and no later than December 31, 2020.]~~
- (b) ~~[(d)]~~ Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading: Early Childhood-Grade 6. The Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading: Early Childhood-Grade 6 certificate may be issued no earlier than January 1, 2021. ~~[The certificate may be issued on the basis of a passing score on the 291 Core Subjects EC-6 TExES~~

~~examination no later than December 30, 2022. The certificate may be issued on the basis of a passing score on the 391 Core Subjects EC-6 TExES examination no earlier than January 1, 2021.~~

- (c) ~~(e)~~ Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading: Grades 4-8. The Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading certificate: Grades 4-8 may be issued no earlier than January 1, 2021.

§233.3. English Language Arts and Reading; Social Studies.

~~(a) English Language Arts and Reading: Grades 4-8. The English Language Arts and Reading: Grades 4-8 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2002, and no later than December 31, 2020.~~

- (a) ~~(b)~~ English Language Arts and Reading with Science of Teaching Reading: Grades 4-8. The English Language Arts and Reading: Grades 4-8 certificate may be issued no earlier than January 1, 2021. ~~[The certificate may be issued on the basis of a passing score on the 117 ELAR 4-8 TExES examination no later than October 30, 2022.]~~

- (b) ~~(e)~~ Social Studies: Grades 4-8. The Social Studies: Grades 4-8 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2002.

~~(d) English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies: Grades 4-8. The English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies: Grades 4-8 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2002, and no later than December 31, 2020.~~

- (c) ~~(e)~~ English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies with Science of Teaching Reading: Grades 4-8. The English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies with Science of Teaching Reading: Grades 4-8 certificate may be issued no earlier than January 1, 2021.

- (d) ~~(f)~~ English Language Arts and Reading: Grades 7-12. The English Language Arts and Reading: Grades 7-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2013.

- (e) ~~(g)~~ Social Studies: Grades 7-12. The Social Studies: Grades 7-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2013.

- (f) ~~(h)~~ History: Grades 7-12. The History: Grades 7-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2013.

- (g) ~~(i)~~ Journalism: Grades 7-12. The Journalism: Grades 7-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2013.

- (h) ~~(j)~~ Speech: Grades 7-12. The Speech: Grades 7-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than November 1, 2010.

§233.5. Technology Applications and Computer Science.

~~(a) Technology Applications: Grades 8-12. The Technology Applications: Grades 8-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than June 1, 2001. A candidate must meet the requirements for a Technology Applications: Grades 8-12 certificate by August 31, 2018. All applications must be complete and received by the Texas Education Agency by October 30, 2018.~~

- (a) ~~(b)~~ Technology Applications: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Technology Applications: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2002.

- (b) ~~(e)~~ Computer Science: Grades 8-12. The Computer Science: Grades 8-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than June 1, 2001.

§233.8. Special Education.

- (a) ~~Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading/Special Education: Early Childhood-Grade 6. The Core Subjects with Science of Teaching Reading/ Special Education: Early Childhood-Grade 6 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2026.~~

- (b) ~~Deafblind Supplemental: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Deafblind: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2025.~~

- (c) ~~(a)~~ Special Education: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Special Education: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2003.
- (d) Special Education Specialist: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Special Education Specialist: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2025.
- (e) ~~(b)~~ Special Education Supplemental. The Special Education Supplemental certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2003.
- (f) ~~(c)~~ Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2005.
- (g) ~~(d)~~ Teacher of Students with Visual Impairments Supplemental: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Teacher of Students with Visual Impairments Supplemental: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2005.

§233.10. Fine Arts.

- (a) Music: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Music: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2004.
- (b) Art: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Art: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2005.
- (c) Theatre: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Theatre: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2005.
- ~~(d) Dance: Grades 8-12. The Dance: Grades 8-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2005. The holder of the Dance: Grades 8-12 certificate is eligible to teach all dance courses in Grades 8-12. A candidate must meet the requirements for a Dance: Grades 8-12 certificate by August 31, 2018. All applications must be complete and received by the Texas Education Agency by October 30, 2018.~~
- (d) ~~(e)~~ Dance: Grades 6-12. The Dance: Grades 6-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than March 1, 2017.

§233.14. Career and Technical Education (Certificates requiring experience and preparation in a skill area).

- (a) All individuals seeking a career and technical education certificate specified in this section must have the required number of years of qualified work experience and preparation in a skill area approved in accordance with the provisions of subsection (f) of this section prior to issuance of the certificate and assignment in a Texas school.
- (b) Marketing: Grades 6-12. The Marketing: Grades 6-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2014. A candidate for the Marketing: Grades 6-12 certificate must:
- (1) hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education that at the time was accredited or otherwise approved by an accrediting organization recognized by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) ~~(THECB)~~ ; and
 - (2) have two years of full-time wage-earning experience in a marketing occupation as specified in subsection (f) of this section.
- (c) Health Science: Grades 6-12 certificate. The standard Health Science: Grades 6-12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2014. A standard Health Science: Grades 6-12 certificate shall be based on experience and academic preparation in the skill area and require the following:
- (1) an associate or more advanced degree from an accredited institution of higher education that at the time was accredited or otherwise approved by an accrediting organization recognized by the THECB;
 - (2) current licensure, certification, or registration by a nationally recognized accrediting agency as a health professions practitioner; and

- (3) approval, by the certification officer of an approved educator preparation program (EPP) ~~[EPP]~~, of two years of full-time wage-earning experience using the licensure requirement described in paragraph (2) of this subsection.
- (d) Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12 certificate. The certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2014. A standard Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12 certificate shall be based on academic preparation and experience in the skill areas to be taught and completion of specified pedagogy and professional responsibilities training.
- (1) The standard Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12 certificate shall require the following academic preparation and wage-earning experience.
- (A) Option I. An individual must:
- (i) hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education that at the time was accredited or otherwise approved by an accrediting organization recognized by the THECB; and
 - (ii) have two years of full-time wage-earning experience within the past ten years in one or more approved occupations for which instruction is offered. The experience must be approved by the certification officer of an EPP approved to prepare teachers for the Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12 certificate. Up to 18 months of the wage-earning experience can be met through a formal documented internship.
- (B) Option II. An individual must:
- (i) hold an associate degree from an accredited institution of higher education that at the time was accredited or otherwise approved by an accrediting organization recognized by the THECB; and
 - (ii) have two years of full-time wage-earning experience within the past ten years in one or more approved occupations for which instruction is offered. The experience must be approved by the certification officer of an EPP approved to prepare teachers for the Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12 certificate.
- (C) Option III. An individual must:
- (i) hold a high school diploma or the equivalent; and
 - (ii) have five years of full-time wage-earning experience within the past ten years in one or more approved occupations for which instruction is offered. The experience must be approved by the certification officer of an EPP approved to prepare teachers for the Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12 certificate.
- (2) The standard Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12 certificate shall require current licensure, certification, or registration by a nationally recognized accrediting agency based on a recognized test or measurement. If the licensure, certification, or registration is not based on a recognized test or measurement, then passing the appropriate National Occupational Competency Testing Institute (NOCTI) ~~[NOCTI]~~ assessment is required. A cosmetology teacher must hold a valid Cosmetology Operator license or Class A Barber Operator license. [A cosmetology teacher must hold a current cosmetology instructor license issued by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation.]
- (3) An individual seeking initial certification as a teacher and completing requirements through an EPP must complete one year of creditable classroom teaching experience, as defined in Chapter 153, Subchapter CC, of Part 2 of this title (relating to Commissioner's Rules on Creditable Years of Service), on an intern ~~[emergency permit]~~ or probationary certificate in the specific area of trade and industrial education.
- (4) The holder of a standard or provisional Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12 certificate or Vocational Trades and Industry certificate may be approved for additional trade and industrial education assignments provided he or she meets the required number of years of wage-earning

experience as indicated in this subsection. Work experience must be approved according to the provisions of this subsection. The EPP must submit a statement of qualifications to the Texas Education Agency [TEA] within 60 calendar days of approval.

- (e) Trade and Industrial Workforce Training: Grades 6-12 certificate. The certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2018. A standard Trade and Industrial Workforce Training: Grades 6-12 certificate shall be based on academic preparation and experience in the skill areas to be taught and completion of specified pedagogy and professional responsibilities training.
- (1) The standard Trade and Industrial Workforce Training: Grades 6-12 certificate shall require all of the following academic preparation and wage-earning experience.
- (A) An individual must have been issued a high school diploma or its equivalent or a postsecondary credential, certificate or degree.
- (B) An individual must have seven years of full-time wage-earning experience within the preceding 10 years in an approved occupation for which instruction is offered, and have not been the subject of a complaint filed with a licensing entity or other agency that regulates the occupation of the person, other than a complaint that was determined baseless or unfounded by that entity or agency.
- (C) An individual must hold with respect to that occupation a current license, certificate, or registration, as applicable, issued by a nationally recognized accrediting agency based on a recognized test or measurement.
- (2) The standard Trade and Industrial Workforce Training: Grades 6-12 certificate shall require current licensure, certification, or registration by a nationally recognized accrediting agency based on a recognized test or measurement.
- (f) Career and technical education certificates. Approval of career and technical education certificates in this section shall be based on prior experience and preparation in a skill area.
- (1) Prospective career and technical education teachers shall submit a statement of qualifications detailing prior experience and skill area preparation to the EPP approved to prepare teachers for the career and technical education certificate sought. The certification officer of the EPP shall review the applicant's statement of qualifications to determine whether the applicant meets the appropriate approval criteria specified in this subsection. In the case of an educator who otherwise qualifies for certification by examination in Marketing: Grades 6-12, Health Science: Grades 6-12, or Trade and Industrial Education: Grades 6-12, the review and approval of required work experience may be performed by a certified school administrator.
- (2) Under this subsection, 12 months of wage-earning experience consisting of at least 40 hours per week shall equal one year of full-time experience. Wage-earning experience consisting of less than 40 hours, but at least 20 hours per week, shall be calculated at a 50% rate in determining years of full-time experience. Wage-earning experience consisting of less than 20 hours per week shall not be considered acceptable in determining full-time experience.
- (3) Postsecondary and proprietary school teaching experience in the specific occupational area for which the candidate is seeking certification may be counted on a year-for-year basis in lieu of on-the-job experience. Proprietary schools must be accredited or otherwise approved by the Texas Workforce Commission. Recency of experience requirements must be met, as well as current licensure, certification, or registration by a state or nationally recognized accrediting agency.

§233.15. Languages Other Than English.

- (a) The State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) shall issue languages other than English (LOTE) certificates in the following areas:
- (1) American Sign Language: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The American Sign Language: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2005.

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- (2) Arabic: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Arabic: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than October 15, 2007.
 - (3) Chinese: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Chinese: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than October 15, 2007.
 - (4) French: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The French: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than November 1, 2009.
 - (5) German: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The German: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than November 1, 2009.
 - (6) Hindi: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Hindi: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than November 1, 2010.
 - (7) Italian: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Italian: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than November 1, 2010.
 - (8) Japanese: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Japanese: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than October 15, 2007.
 - (9) Korean: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Korean: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than June 1, 2016.
 - (10) Latin: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Latin: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than January 1, 2010.
 - (11) Portuguese: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Portuguese: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than June 1, 2016.
 - (12) Russian: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Russian: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than October 15, 2007.
 - (13) Spanish: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Spanish: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than November 1, 2009.
 - (14) Tamil: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Tamil: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than September 1, 2025.
 - (15) ~~[(14)]~~ Turkish: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Turkish: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than November 1, 2010.
 - ~~[(15) Urdu: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Urdu: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than November 1, 2010.]~~
 - (16) Vietnamese: Early Childhood-Grade 12. The Vietnamese: Early Childhood-Grade 12 certificate may be issued no earlier than October 15, 2007.
- (b) An interested party may request an additional LOTE certificate using the petition process described in §250.20 of this title (relating to Petition for Adoption of Rules or Rule Changes) for SBEC consideration. The petitioner must provide:
- (1) the desired LOTE certificate and confirmation of the number of students likely to receive instruction in the requested language;
 - (2) the number of individuals interested in adding a certification in the new language; and
 - (3) the rationale for the request and anticipated benefit to students.