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Requirements for Teacher of Students with Disabilities Endorsement Birth to Age 5 (282)

You will be eligible for a targeted need certificate if you have completed 6 credits of coursework toward this endorsement.

You will be eligible for a conditional certificate if you have completed 9 credits of coursework toward this endorsement.

You will be eligible for a transitional endorsement if you are already a teacher and you have completed 6 credits of coursework toward this endorsement.

If you complete all requirements, you will be issued a professional certificate.

NOTE: The number in () indicates the number of semester hours required.		
Section A:		
1. Bachelor's degree conferred		
2. Special education (Courses may not include severe, deaf, blind, American Sign Language, or gifted and talented. We will accept one autism course and one applied behavioral analysis course.) (24)		
3. Criminal history record check approval – based on fingerprints		
Section B: Core Academic Skills for Educators/PRAXIS I		
Reading	Test: #5712	Score 156
Writing	Test: #5722	Score 162
Mathematics	Test: #5732	Score 150
Composite		Score 468
Section C: PRAXIS II		
Special Education: Preschool/Early Childhood: CK Test Code 5691 Score 159		

If this requirements list is more than two years old, please contact the certification office, as the requirements may have changed.

Special education is considered a shortage (targeted need) area, so the requirements for certification have been lowered to allow for more teachers to be hired.

Courses must be 100 level or higher from a four-year accredited college offering a bachelor's degree, with the following exception: a maximum of six semester hours of Section A may be met through CLEP Exam(s) with a minimum score of 60 on subject examinations for courses you have not taken through a four-year accredited college. Required semester hours shall consist of

non-duplicative coursework: examples: only one English Composition course or only one Algebra I course.

Fingerprint schedule on web site www.identogo.com

Register at www.ets.org/praxis/me/requirements

Applicants for initial teacher certification must achieve a composite score of 468 on the three sections of the Core Academic Skills for Educators, with no single score on any section being more than three points lower than the required score above.

Applicants for certificates requiring bachelor's degrees may use passing scores on either the Pre-Professional Skills Test/PPST or the Core Academic Skills for Educators until 8-31-18. As of 9-1-18, all applicants must meet passing scores on the Core Academic Skills for Educators exams.

Applicants for #282 Teacher/Disabled Children (birth to age 5) may meet a passing score on either PRAXIS II Test Code 0690 or PRAXIS II Test Code 0691/5691 until 8-31-17. As of 9-1-17, all applicants must meet a passing score on test 0691/5691.