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TO: All Individuals and Groups Interested in the Activities of the Commission on Teacher Credentialing

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SUBJECT: Approval of Title 5 Regulations Implementing Assembly Bill 2210

Governor Schwarzenegger signed Assembly Bill 2210 (Statutes of 2004, Chapter 343, Liu) on August 30, 2004. The bill specified that completion of a Commission-approved induction program is the required route to earn an SB 2042 professional clear multiple subject or single subject teaching credential. The bill also specified that if an induction program is unavailable to the preliminary credential holder, the candidate will be allowed to complete a Commission-approved fifth year program. It also allows a candidate to complete a Commission-approved fifth year program if the candidate is required to complete subject matter course work to meet No Child Left Behind (NCLB) "highly qualified teacher" requirements.

Title 5 section 80413, which was approved by the Office of Administrative Law and becomes effective June 25, 2005, implements the requirements stated in AB 2210. Section 80413(b)(2) states that effective August 30, 2004, completion of a Commission-approved program of beginning teacher induction is required to earn a professional clear single subject and multiple subject teaching credential. If a beginning teacher is eligible for induction but an employing agency verifies that induction is not available or the employing agency verifies that the beginning teacher is required under NCLB to complete subject matter course work to be qualified for a teaching assignment, he or she may complete a Commission-accredited fifth year program.

The induction requirement only applies to holders of SB 2042 credentials. These credentials can be identified by the authorization code R242 on multiple subject and R142 on single subject credentials and with the renewal code R14I.

An employing agency is defined in the regulations as public school districts, county offices of education, schools that operate under the direction of a California state agency,

nonpublic, nonsectarian schools and agencies, charter schools and private schools. These agencies will determine if the beginning teacher completes an induction program or completes a fifth year program. Commission form CL-855 *Verification of Unavailability of a Commission-Approved Induction Program* is attached to this correspondence that employing agencies must use when it has determined that a beginning teacher with a multiple subject or single subject credential issued on or after August 30, 2004 based on a SB 2042 professional preparation program may complete a fifth year of study. It is the responsibility of the institution of higher education admitting a student into a fifth year program that the candidate holds documentation from an employing agency verifying that the candidate may complete a fifth year. The recommending institution of higher education must submit the form with the credential application for the professional clear credential.

SB 2042 preliminary credential holders who are either employed as day-to-day substitutes or are not employed are not eligible for induction, consequently they are not eligible to participate in the fifth year of study. The SB 2042 preliminary credential is issued for five-years, therefore the credential holder has five years to complete induction. If a candidate is not employed or not employed in a position were the credential holder is eligible for induction during the five-year period, the Commission staff has regulatory authority to grant an extension of time in order for the credential holder to complete an induction program.

Regulation Changes

The other changes in the regulations updates this section to be in compliance with the Education Code. The following outlines all of the changes made to section 80413.

§80413(a)(4) The Reading Instruction Competence Assessment (RICA) for the multiple subject credential was added to the regulations based on Education Code Section 44283.

§80413(a)(5) The change to this subsection reflects action the Commission took at its November 2003 meeting requiring preliminary multiple subject teaching credential applicants to pass the subject matter examination if they enrolled in a multiple subject teacher preparation program after July 1, 2004.

§80413(a)(7) This subsection was added to reflect the computers in the classroom requirement in Education Code Section 44259(b)(7).

§80413(b)(2) This subsection was added as required by AB 2210 (Liu, Statutes of 2004, Chapter 343). The language requires the employing agency to determine if a teacher may complete a fifth year program based on unavailability of a Commission-approved Induction Program or a teacher must take course work to become No Child Left Behind “highly qualified” in the teacher’s current assignment. The August 30, 2004 effective date is based on the date AB 2210 became effective.

§80413(b)(6) This subsection is being added to reflect the requirement as specified in Education Code Section 44259.5(e).

§80413(d)(1) The language defines which employing agencies can determine if preliminary credential applicants may participate in a Commission-approved fifth year program. These employing agencies were included in the regulations because these are employment situations where a Commission-approved Induction Program may be offered.

Questions

If you have questions regarding these regulations, please contact the Commission's Information Services Office between 12:00 noon and 4:45 p.m. Monday through Friday at (916) 445-7254 or toll-free at (888) 921-2682 if you are calling from outside of the (916) area code. You may also e-mail us at credentials@ctc.ca.gov. During the month of June 2005 the Commission will not offer e-mail service and on each Wednesday in June the phones will not be available.

DIVISION VIII OF TITLE 5 OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS

Proposed Amendment of Section 80413 Pertaining Specific Requirements for Preliminary and Professional Clear Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials for Applicants Prepared in California

FINAL TEXT OF REGULATIONS

§80413. Specific Requirements for Preliminary and Professional Clear Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials for Applicants Prepared in California.

(a) The minimum requirements for the five-year preliminary multiple and single subject teaching credentials for California-prepared applicants shall include successful completion of all of the following:

(1) A baccalaureate degree or higher degree, except in professional education, from a regionally accredited institution of higher education.

(2) Passage of the California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST), as described in Education Code Section 44252, unless exempt by statutes or regulations.

(3) A Commission-approved multiple subject or single subject program of professional preparation, as appropriate to the credential sought as described in Education Code Section 44259(b)(3).

(4) Completion of a study of alternative methods of developing English language skills, including the study of reading, as provided in Education Code Section 44259(b)(4). In addition multiple subject applicants shall pass the reading instruction competence assessment as provided in Education Code Section 44283.

(5) Subject-matter knowledge:

(A) For a multiple subject credential, an applicant enrolled in a teacher preparation program prior to July 1, 2004 shall meet this requirement either by passage of an examination as provided in Education Code Sections 44280, 44281, and 44282 or by completion of a subject-matter program as provided in Education Code Section 44310. An applicant enrolled in a teacher preparation program on or after July 1, 2004 shall meet this requirement by passage of an examination as provided in Education Code Sections 44280, 44281 and 44282.

(B) For a single subject credential, an applicant shall meet this requirement either by passage of an examination as provided in Education Code Sections 44280, 44281, and 44282 or by completion of a subject-matter program as provided in Education Code Section 44310.

(6) Demonstration of knowledge of the Constitution of the United States as provided in Education Code Section 44335.

(7) Demonstration of basic competency in the use of computers in the classroom as provided in Education Code Section 44259(b)(7).

(8) The recommendation from a regionally accredited institution of higher education that has a Commission-approved program in the preliminary credential sought, as provided in Education Code Section 44227.

(b) The minimum requirements for the professional clear multiple or single subject teaching credentials must be completed within five years from the initial date of the issuance of the preliminary credential. The requirements include, successful completion of all of the following:

(1) Possession of a valid preliminary teaching credential.

(2) Effective August 30, 2004, completion of a Commission-approved program of beginning teacher induction as specified in Education Code Section 44259(c)(2). If a beginning teacher is eligible for induction but an employing agency verifies that induction is not available or the employing agency verifies that the beginning teacher is required under the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.) to complete subject matter course work to be qualified for a teaching assignment, the beginning teacher may complete a Commission-accredited fifth year program.

(3) A health education requirement, as provided in Education Code Section 44259(c)(4)(A).

(4) Special education training, as provided in Education Code Section 44259(c)(4)(B)

(5) Study of advanced computer-based technology, including the uses of technology in educational settings, as provided in Education Code Section 44259(c)(4)(C).

(6) Effective July 1, 2005 advanced study in the area of Teaching English Learners.

(7) An application for a professional clear multiple subject or single subject credential shall only be submitted by either (A) or (B) below:

(A) A Commission-approved induction program; or

(B) A regionally accredited institution of higher education with a Commission-accredited fifth year

(c) All applicants for multiple subject and single subject professional clear credentials issued pursuant to Education Code Section 44259(c) with an issuance date on or after August 30, 2004 shall complete the requirements in subsection (b)(2) above.

(d) Definitions:

(1) The term “employing agency” as used in this section shall mean:

(A) Public school districts in California.

(B) County offices of education or county superintendents of schools in California.

(C) Schools that operate under the direction of a California state agency.

(D) Nonpublic, nonsectarian schools and agencies as defined in Education Code Sections 56365 and 56366.

(E) Charter Schools as established in Education Code Section 47600.

(F) Private schools.

(2) A beginning teacher is one who is eligible to participate in a Commission-approved induction program.

NOTE

Authority cited: Section 44225, Education Code. Reference: Sections 44227, 44251, 44252, 44259, 44259.5, 44280, 44281, 44283, 44310 and 44335, Education Code.



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Verification of Unavailability of a Commission-Approved Induction Program

This form must be completed by an employing agency when a Commission-approved Induction Program is not available to a teacher. After this form is completed the teacher must provide it to an institution of higher education in advance of enrollment in a Commission-approved SB 2042 Fifth Year Program. A copy of this form must be submitted by the institution to the CCTC with an application form, appropriate fees, supporting documentation, and university recommendation for the professional clear credential.

Employing Agency _____

Name of Applicant _____ SSN: _____
First Middle Last

Type of Credential Multiple Subject
 Single Subject Subject(s) _____

As the authorized representative of the employing agency listed above, I certify that the beginning teacher has earned a five-year preliminary multiple or single subject teaching credential issued on the basis of completion of an SB 2042 teacher preparation program with an issuance date of 8/30/04 or later and either:

- is required under the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.) to complete subject matter course work in relationship to the current teaching assignment **OR**
- is eligible for induction, however, a Commission-approved Induction Program is not available within the
 - employing agency,
 - an induction consortium or
 - local university.

Signature _____ Date _____

Name and Title _____

Contact Phone Number _____ E-mail Address _____

Note: For a district or county office of education, this form must be signed by the district or county superintendent or his or her designee.

For programs sponsored by a private K-12 school, non-public, non-sectarian school or agency, charter school, or a school operated under the direction of a California state agency, the individual legally authorized to sign documents on behalf of the organization or a designee will be responsible for signing this form.