



CODED CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: December 14, 2007	NUMBER: 07-19
TO: All Individuals and Groups Interested in the Activities of the Commission on Teacher Credentialing	FROM: Dale A. Janssen Executive Director Commission on Teacher Credentialing
SUBJECT: Designated Subjects Career Technical Education Teaching Credential	

Summary:

Senate Bill (SB) 52 (Chap. 520, Stats. of 2007) was signed by the Governor on October 12, 2007. The provisions of the bill became effective immediately upon signature. The law does the following: (1) changes the name of designated subjects vocational teaching credentials; (2) creates new authorized subjects; and, (3) requires the Commission to convene an advisory committee to make recommendations regarding credential requirements and submit a legislative report with recommendations to consolidate requirements for the designated subjects vocational education credential.

Key Provisions:

Effective the issue date of October 12, 2007, applicants, in coordination with their Local Education Agency (LEA) or Employing School District (ESD), may apply for the new Designated Subjects Career Technical Education (CTE) Teaching Credential.

Subjects listed on the new career technical education credential are the fifteen broad industry sector subjects:

Agriculture and Natural Resources	Finance and Business
Arts, Media, and Entertainment	Health Science and Medical Technology
Building Trades and Construction	Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation
Education, Child Development, and Family Services	Information Technology
Energy and Utilities	Manufacturing and Product Development
Engineering and Design	Marketing, Sales, and Service
Fashion and Interior Design	Public Service
	Transportation

Holders of Designated Subjects Vocational Education Teaching Credentials may choose to either continue renewing their documents that list the current specific subjects or change to a new Designated Subjects Career Technical Education Teaching Credential

that lists the broad industry sector subject(s). However, effective with an issue date of November 1, 2007, the Commission will no longer initially issue a Designated Subjects Vocational Education Teaching Credential including moving from a part-time to full-time vocational credential or vice versa.

Requirements for issuing the new CTE designated subjects credential were not changed. As with other designated subjects recommendations, it is the responsibility of the ESD or approved LEA to verify that the applicant has satisfied all of the requirements for the document being requested. The ESD or approved LEA should also ensure that the industry sector subject they are requesting is equivalent to the specific subject listed on the vocational credential if the applicant is transitioning.

Separate correspondence will be issued containing specific information pertaining to transitioning from the vocational education document to the career technical document including application procedures.

.

Background:

SB 52 addresses the need for a new designated subjects document that utilizes authorized subjects modeled after the California career technical education curriculum and standards adopted by the State Board of Education (SBE).

Since March 2007, the Commission-appointed Career Technical Education (CTE) Advisory workgroup has been meeting to discuss streamlining requirements and preparing recommendations for the Legislature. The bill requires the Commission to recommend to the Legislature modifications to the CTE credential structure that will smooth the progress towards obtaining a CTE teaching credential by focusing requirements on skills identified as essential for providing successful career technical instruction. For information pertaining to findings and recommendations by the workgroup, visit the Commission's website at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/CTE.html>.

Source:

Education Code §44260, §44260.1 and §44260.9

References:

Career Technical Education leaflet

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl880.pdf>

Designated Subjects Credential Recommendation

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/cig/CIG-LEAFLETS/CIG-LEAFLETS/cl689.pdf>

Approved Local Education Agencies For Designated Subjects Teaching Credentials leaflet

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl506.pdf>

SB 52 Text: [http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_52&sess=CUR&house=S&author=scott)

[bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_52&sess=CUR&house=S&author=scott](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_52&sess=CUR&house=S&author=scott)

Contact Information:

Contact the Commission's Information Services Unit by telephone at 888-921-2682, Monday through Friday from 1:00 pm to 4:45 pm or by electronic mail at credentials@ctc.ca.gov.