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All Individuals and Groups Interested in the Activities
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FROM:

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SUBJECT: Renewal Requirements for Preliminary Multiple and Single Subject Teaching
Credentials Issued on the Basis of Private School Experience

Summary:

This coded correspondence provides information on the revised renewal requirements to be completed for the issuance of Clear Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials for individuals who qualify for the preliminary credential based on accredited private school experience. These revised renewal requirements go into effect January 1, 2012.

Key Provisions:

Effective January 1, 2002, Senate Bill (SB) 57 (Chap. 269, Stats. 2001) added Education Code (EC) §44259.2 allowing individuals to apply for a Preliminary Multiple or Single Subject Teaching Credential on the basis of experience in accredited private schools. The language of EC §44259.2 waives the teacher preparation program requirement in §44259 for individuals with six or more years of private school experience or the student teaching requirement for individuals with three to five years of private school experience. Specific information on the private school experience options is available in the [Single Subject and Multiple Subject Teaching Credentials-Requirements for Teachers with Private School Experience](#) leaflet (CL-834).

Although the provisions of EC §44259.2 allow private school experience to be used for issuance of a preliminary teaching credential, the code is silent on the renewal requirements individuals must complete to qualify for a Clear Multiple or Single Subject Teaching Credential. The intent of SB 57 was to enable candidates with accredited private school experience to waive either their teacher preparation program or student teaching requirements for a Preliminary Multiple or Single Subject Credential, depending on the number of years of experience. Because EC §44259.2 does not detail the requirements individuals must complete once a preliminary teaching credential is issued, individuals who qualify on the basis of private school experience are required to complete the same renewal requirements as California prepared teachers outlined in EC §44259(c) to qualify for the clear credential.

Revised Renewal Requirements

Effective January 1, 2012, individuals issued a Preliminary Multiple or Single Subject Teaching Credential on the basis of accredited private school experience will be required to complete a Commission-approved Induction program and CPR training for adults, infants, and children to qualify for the clear credential. Individuals who qualify on the basis of six or more years of private school experience must also earn a California English learner authorization to qualify for the clear credential.

Induction Program

Individuals applying for the clear credential upon completion of an induction program must submit their application through their [Commission-approved General Education Induction program](#) sponsor. The application will be submitted online by the recommending program sponsor.

Individuals who are eligible for induction but do not have a Commission-approved induction program available within the employing agency, induction consortium, or a California college or university may obtain a completed [Verification of Unavailability of a Commission-Approved Induction Program](#) form (CL-855) from their California employing agency. Individuals who are required to complete subject matter coursework under the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act in relationship to the current teaching assignment may also obtain a completed CL-855 form from their California employing agency. Individuals who obtain a CL-855 form from a California employing agency may complete a [Commission-approved General Education Clear Credential program](#) at a California college or university, obtaining that institution's formal recommendation for the clear credential. The application will be submitted online by the recommending institution.

Two-Year and Three-Year Extensions

The two-year and three-year extensions will be available to individuals issued Preliminary Multiple or Single Subject Teaching Credentials on the basis of private school experience on or after January 1, 2012, since completion of a Commission-approved induction program will be the only route available to earn the clear credential. [Coded Correspondence 09-05](#) provides details on the two-year and three-year extensions.

Ryan Teacher Preparation Programs

Individuals with three to five years of experience who completed a Ryan program with the exception of student teaching must apply and qualify for the Ryan preliminary teaching credential by January 1, 2012. [Coded Correspondence 11-02](#) provides information pertaining to the Ryan Teaching Credential Sunset Dates.

Previously Issued Multiple and Single Subject Credentials issued based on Private School Experience

Individuals issued preliminary teaching credentials based on private school experience prior to January 1, 2012 will maintain the renewal options listed on their credentials.

There are currently two options available by which individuals who hold a Preliminary Multiple or Single Subject Teaching Credential issued on the basis of private school experience may qualify for a clear teaching credential:

- 1) Complete a Commission-approved induction program and CPR training for adults, infants, and children. Individuals who qualify with six or more years of private school experience must also earn a California English learner authorization; or
- 2) Complete a Ryan fifth year of study to include courses for health education (plus CPR), special education, advanced computer education, and an advanced teaching English learners course. Individuals who qualify with six or more years of private school experience must also earn a California English learner authorization.

Important Dates:

January 1, 2012 - Effective date for the revised renewal requirements outlined in this Coded Correspondence.

Background:

Since the implementation of the private school experience option for Preliminary Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials per Senate Bill 57, individuals have had the option of completing an induction program or a general education clear credential program to qualify for the clear teaching credential. The renewal requirements for Preliminary Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials issued on the basis of private school experience will now align with other Multiple and Single Subject credentials to obtain the clear credential.

Source:

Education Code §44259.2 and §44259

References:

Single Subject and Multiple Subject Teaching Credentials-Requirements for Teachers with Private School Experience leaflet:

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl834.pdf>

General Education (MS/SS) Induction Program Chart:

http://134.186.81.79/fmi/xsl/CTC_apm/recordlist_GEInd.html

Verification of Unavailability of a Commission-Approved Induction Program (CL-855):

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/cig2/CIG-leaflets/cl855.pdf>

General Education (MS/SS) Clear Program Chart:

http://134.186.81.79/fmi/xsl/CTC_apm/recordlist_GEClear.html

Approval of Amendments to Title 5 Regulations Pertaining to the Extensions of Preliminary Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials for Applicants Prepared in California (5 Cal Code Regs §80413) (Coded Correspondence 09-05):

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/notices/coded/2009/0905.pdf>

Ryan Teaching Credential Sunset Dates (Coded Correspondence 11-02):

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/notices/coded/2011/1102.pdf>

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