



CODED CORRESPONDENCE

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TO: All Individuals and Groups Interested in the Activities of the Commission on Teacher Credentialing	FROM: Mary Vixie Sandy Executive Director Commission on Teacher Credentialing
SUBJECT: Update on Ryan Teaching Credential Sunset Dates	

Summary:

This coded correspondence reviews the January 1, 2018 sunset date for the *initial* issuance of Clear Ryan Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credentials and provides guidance for educators who will not complete the clear credential requirements before the deadline.

Key Provisions:

Ryan Clear Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credential

As established in Coded Correspondence 11-02, the final issuance date for an *initial* Ryan Clear Multiple or Single Subject Teaching Credential for California, out-of-state and out-of-country prepared teachers is **January 1, 2018**. It also states that applications from individuals who do not obtain clear Ryan teaching credentials by the sunset date will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis under the program standards, statute, and regulations in effect at the time. With the sunset date now fast approaching, more specific guidance is being provided to outline a pathway for educators who will not complete the clear credential requirements before the deadline.

California-Prepared Educators

Currently, California prepared individuals who were issued Ryan Preliminary Multiple and/or Single Subject Teaching Credentials have the option of completing the renewal requirements listed on their Ryan preliminary teaching credential and applying directly to the Commission for the clear credential without a formal recommendation. Those requirements may have included:

- completion of a fifth year of study at a regionally-accredited college or university;
- health education, including training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for adults, infants, and children;
- special education;

- computer education; and
- advanced teaching English learners (refer to Coded Correspondence 11-02 for details as to each of these items).

After January 1, 2018, California-prepared educators who hold a Ryan preliminary teaching credential and have not completed the clear credential requirements will be required to complete a Commission-approved induction program, CPR training, and obtain a California English learner authorization, if not already held on the preliminary credential. These educators will no longer have the option to complete the Ryan credential renewal requirements listed on their preliminary credential and apply directly to the Commission. They will be required to obtain the formal recommendation of a Commission-approved induction program to obtain the clear credential.

Out-of-State and Out-of-Country Prepared Teachers

Individuals who completed their teacher preparation programs outside California and were issued Ryan Preliminary Multiple and/or Single Subject Teaching Credentials prior to January 1, 2007 currently have the option to complete the renewal requirements presently listed on their preliminary credential and apply directly to the Commission for the clear teaching credential. These requirements must be completed and an application for the clear credential submitted to the Commission no later than January 1, 2018. Out-of-state prepared educators also have the option to transition to one of the SB 1209 credential routes as explained in Coded Correspondence 06-0027 to qualify for the clear teaching credential.

After January 1, 2018, educators returning to the profession who were issued Ryan preliminary credentials based on completion of teacher preparation in a state other than California and have not completed the clear credential requirements must complete a Commission-approved induction program and obtain a California English learner authorization for the clear credential. These educators will no longer have the option to complete the Ryan credential renewal requirements listed on their preliminary credential and apply directly to the Commission. They will be required to obtain the formal recommendation of a Commission-approved induction program to obtain the clear credential (see the Route 1 requirements for the clear credential found in Credential Leaflets CL-560 and CL-561).

Individuals who have two or more years of full-time out-of-state teaching experience and still hold Ryan preliminary teaching credentials issued based on out-of-state preparation can still use the out-of-state transition route for experienced teachers as explained in Coded Correspondence 06-0027 and the credential leaflets prepared for out-of-state educators (see the Route 2 requirements for the clear credential found in Credential Leaflets CL-560 and CL-561).

Additionally, returning educators who were issued Ryan Preliminary Multiple and/or Single Subject Teaching Credentials prior to January 1, 2007 based on completion of teacher preparation outside the United States must complete the current requirements for the clear credential:

- completion of a Commission-approved induction program;



- complete a course in developing English language skills, including teaching of reading (Multiple Subject Credential holders can also pass the RICA to meet this requirement);
- pass an examination or complete a course covering the provisions and principles of the U.S. Constitution;
- verify subject-matter competence; and
- complete training in CPR for adults, infants, and children.

These educators will no longer have the option to complete the Ryan credential renewal requirements listed on their preliminary credential and apply directly to the Commission. They will be required to obtain the formal recommendation of a Commission-approved induction program for the clear credential.

Extension by Appeal

The Commission will accept applications requesting an extension on the basis of appeal for Ryan preliminary credential holders after January 1, 2018. These educators may be eligible for a one-year extension to allow additional time to complete the current clear credential requirements. These applications will be reviewed under the same criteria as the current process for appeals, as explained in Credential Leaflet AL-3.

Background:

Coded Correspondence 11-02 established the sunset date for the final initial issuance of Ryan Clear Multiple and Single Teaching Credentials as January 1, 2018. This Coded Correspondence clarifies the options open to Ryan preliminary credential holders to qualify for the clear credential beyond the sunset date.

References:

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

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

Coded Correspondence 06-0027: Transition Renewal Options for Out-of-State Prepared Multiple Subject, Single Subject, and Special Education Teachers per the Provisions of Senate Bill 1209:

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/notices/coded/060027/060027.pdf>

Single Subject Teaching Credential Requirements for Individuals Prepared Out-of-State (CL-560):

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl560.pdf>

Multiple Subject Teaching Credential Requirements for Individuals Prepared Out-of-State (CL-561):

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl561.pdf>

Extensions by Appeal for Credentials and Permits (AL-3):

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/al3.pdf>



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