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***Added Authorizations in Special Education - AASE (continued)***

Other Health Impairment **											X	
Orthopedic Impairment **										X		
Traumatic Brain Injury **												X
Early Childhood Special Education Added Authorization ** (Birth- Pre -K only) 3	X	X	X	X	X						X	X

***Ryan Service Credentials with a Special Class Authorization***

Speech Language Pathology Services With Special Class Authorization (Birth to Age 22)					X	X						
Clinical or Rehabilitative Services in Language, Speech & Hearing With Special Class Authorization (Birth to Age 22)					X	X						

***Ryan Specialist Instruction Teaching Credentials (initially issued 1976 to September 27, 1997; renewals available)***

Communication Handicapped					◆ <sup>4</sup>	X	X	X				
Learning Handicapped	X		◆ <sup>5</sup>								X	
Severely Handicapped		X	X	X	X			X				
Physically Handicapped				X					◆ <sup>6</sup>	X	X	X
Visually Handicapped								X	X			

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**Standard Teaching Credentials** (initially issued 1961 to 1976; renewals available)

Minor-Mentally Retarded	X	X	◆ <sup>5</sup>	X								
Minor-Speech & Hearing Handicapped						X						
Minor-Deaf & Severely Hard-of-Hearing							X					
Minor-Visually Handicapped									X			
Minor-Orthopedically Handicapped Including the Cerebral Palsied				X						X	X	X

**Standard Limited Specialized Preparation Teaching Credentials** (initially issued 1961 to 1976; renewals available)

Mentally Retarded	X	X	◆ <sup>5</sup>	X								
Speech & Hearing Handicapped						X						
Deaf & Severely Hard-of-Hearing							X					
Visually Handicapped									X			
Orthopedically Handicapped Including Cerebral Palsied				X						X	X	X

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**Standard Restricted Teaching Credentials (initially issued 1961 to 1976; renewals available)**

Educable Mentally Retarded	X		◆ <sup>5</sup>									
Trainable Mentally Retarded		X	◆ <sup>5</sup>	X								
Speech & Hearing Therapy						X						
Orthopedically Handicapped Including the Cerebral Palsied				X						X	X	X
Deaf & Severely Hard-of-Hearing							X					
Deaf-Blind								X				
Severely Hard-of-Hearing								X				
Visually Handicapped									X			

**Exceptional Children Teaching Credentials (initially issued prior to 1961; renewals available)**

Mentally Retarded	X	X	◆ <sup>5</sup>	X								
Speech Correction & Lip Reading						X						
Orthopedically Handicapped Including the Cerebral Palsied				X						X	X	X
Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing							X					
Visually Handicapped									X			

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*Special Secondary Teaching Credentials initially issued prior to 1961; renewals available)*

Mentally Retarded	X	X	◆ <sup>5</sup>	X								
Correction of Speech Defects						X						
Deaf							X					
Lip Reading							X					
Partially Sighted Child									X			
Blind									X			

- 1 Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) content is included in all preliminary Education Specialist Teaching Credential programs in all specialty areas. The preliminary credential will authorize the holder to provide autism instructional services to students within the specialty area(s) of their credential. The additional ASD authorization is for California-prepared special educators. The ASD authorization will appear as a separate authorization on the Education Specialist Teaching Credential document.
- 2 The Language and Academic Development Education Specialist Credential authorizes services for ages preschool to age 22 across disability areas **limited to** students identified with academic communication and language needs in the following areas: language development, school readiness and social skills, and literacy development addressing competencies across the curriculum in listening, speaking, reading, writing, and academic areas.
- 3 An individual must hold a valid prerequisite special education credential; the certificate and added authorization authorizes services for ages birth to pre-K only.
- 4 Individuals holding the Communication Handicapped employed under the following autism option prior to July 1, 2010 may continue to serve but no new individuals may be placed on the basis of this option after this date. Holder must have taught full-time for at least one year prior to September 1, 1991, in a special class in which the primary disability was other health impaired (autistic), and have received a favorable evaluation for that service from the employing school district. Acceptance of experience is a local employing agency decision.
- 5 Individuals employed under the following emotional disturbance option prior to July 1, 2010 may continue to serve but no new individuals may be placed on the basis of this option after this date. Holder must have taught full-time for at least one year prior to September 1, 1991, in a special class in which the primary disability was seriously emotionally disturbed and have received a favorable evaluation for that service from the employing school district OR completed a Commission-approved program for the seriously emotionally disturbed (none currently available). The certificate of completion is issued by the college or university and must be kept on file at the employing agency. Acceptance of experience is a local employing agency decision.
- 6 Issued prior to January 1, 1981, on the basis of completing a Commission-approved program in which the focus was the Visually Handicapped.