

CERTIFICATION

Responsibility for Renewal

All certificated personnel are personally responsible for renewing their credentials and for keeping them valid.

No Pay for Invalid Credential

A teacher whose credential is not valid cannot be paid for the time service is rendered under such conditions.

Responsibility for Registration

Each credential actively used by the teacher must be registered with the office of the County Superintendent of Schools. This is the teacher's responsibility.

Certification and Registration Required

No warrant will be drawn in favor of any person requiring certification until he/she is properly credentialed and registered with the county.

Emergency and Provisional Credentials

Teachers may teach on emergency or provisional credentials, providing no regularly credentialed teachers are available.

Proficiency in Reading, Writing and Mathematics

The Governing Board will not initially employ any certificated person on a permanent, temporary or substitute basis unless that person has demonstrated basic skills proficiency as required under Education Code 44252.5. Exemptions from this requirement shall be governed by provisions of Section 44830.

The basic skills proficiency test shall not be required of certificated persons who have been employed by another school district in a position requiring certification within 39 months prior to employment in this district. Adult education designated subject credential holders are exempt from the basic skills test requirement if employed in a nonacademic instructional setting for 20 hours or less per week. (Education Code 44830)

(cf. 4120 - Temporary and Part-Time Personnel)

CERTIFICATION (continued)

Persons holding a designated subject special subjects credential or vocational designated subject credential shall not be required to take the state basic skills proficiency test as a condition of employment unless the specific credential requires the possession of a baccalaureate degree, in which case a district proficiency test shall be required, based on criteria established by the Board for these credentials. (Education Code 44252 and 44830)

Persons holding a designated subject special subjects credential or a vocational designated subject credential may be charged a fee to take the district proficiency test.

(cf. 4113 - Assignment)

(cf. 4116 - Probationary/Permanent Status)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32340-32341 Unlawful issuance of a credential

44066 Limitations on certification requirements

44250-44275 Credential types

44251 Period of credentials

44252 Standards and procedures for issuance; proficiency testing of basic skills

44252.5 State basic skills assessment required for certificated personnel

44277 Requirements for maintaining valid credentials

44278 Credential appeal

44325 et seq. District interns

44330-44355 Certificates and credentials

44830 Employment of certificated persons; requirement of proficiency in basic skills

44830.3 Employment of district interns

44857 Registration of certification document