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Principal
Special Education Supervisor
Superintendent

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Agricultural Education
American Sign Language (Subject)
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Anthropology
Art
Assessment Leadership
Basic Business (Issued prior to August 1, 2019)
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Biology
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Career Education
Chemistry
Coaching
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Early Childhood Education
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Earth and Space Science
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Elementary Education
English (Issued prior to August 1, 2015)
English As A Second Language
English Language Arts (formerly Language Arts)
Family and Consumer Sciences Occupational
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Health and Physical Education
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Information Technology
Instructional Technology Leadership
Journalism and Media Education
Mathematics
Middle Level Education
Music
Physical Education
Physics
Political Science
Psychology
Reading and Writing
Reading Specialist
Religious Education
Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC)
School Counselor
School Librarian
School Psychologist
Science
Secondary English
Secondary Transition Specialist
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Skilled and Technical Sciences Education – Skilled Specific
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Theatre
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SPECIAL SERVICES ENDORSEMENTS
Audiologist
School Nurse
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Special Services Coaching

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002 General Information

002.01 Statutory Authority. This chapter is adopted pursuant to Section 79-808 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes (R.R.S.).

002.02 Scope and Application. This chapter contains regulations for obtaining endorsements indicating grade levels and areas of specialization on Nebraska teaching, administrative, and special services certificates or permits.

002.03 Related Chapters. Throughout this chapter, reference is made to other Department regulations relating to teachers, administrators, and special services providers. Regulations for the issuance of certificates or permits to teach, administer, and provide special services in Nebraska schools are contained in Title 92, Nebraska Administrative Code, Chapter 21 (92 NAC 21). Title 92, Nebraska Administrative Code, Chapter 23 (92 NAC 23) contains regulations concerning the basic skills competency testing of teacher education candidates. Title 92, Nebraska Administrative Code, Chapter 20 (92 NAC 20) contains the rules for the approval of professional education programs in Nebraska. Copies of these rules are available from the Department.

002.04 Implementation Date. Regardless of the effective date of the approval of this chapter, the implementation date will be August 1, 2018. Colleges and persons seeking endorsements must meet these requirements after this date. Prior to that implementation date, the provisions of this chapter, as approved with an effective date of August 1, 2017 shall remain in effect.

003 Definition of Terms. As used in this chapter:

003.01 American Sign Language (ASL) means a natural language indigenous to members of the American Deaf Community, with its own culture, literature, and linguistic structure.

003.02 Approved Endorsement Program means endorsement programs approved pursuant to 92 NAC 20 or any endorsement program approved in any other state or country pursuant to standards comparable and equivalent to 92 NAC 20.

003.03 Board means the Nebraska State Board of Education.

003.04 Certification Officer means a faculty or staff member designated by the chief academic officer or unit administrator of each standard institution of higher education with an approved educator preparation program to receive correspondence regarding this chapter from the Department and to provide certified records, transcripts, reports and/or recommendations to the Department, as required, for the purpose of certification and/or endorsement.
Clinical experiences means those that are characterized by careful planning, stipulated goals, required activities, projected performance levels and evaluation of growth. Examples of clinical experiences are microteaching clinics, unit teaching associated with a methodology class, and skill clinics. Activities not meeting the criteria for clinical experiences include general observations, voluntary community service, orientation visits, teacher aiding, and periodic visitations to educational settings.

Commissioner means the Nebraska State Commissioner of Education.

Content Test means a Praxis Subject Assessment or School Leadership Series test published by the Educational Testing Service (ETS) of Princeton, NJ for which a passing score requirement has been established by the Department.

Credit hour means the equivalent of 15 instructional class periods of 50 minutes or more. Semester hour has the same meaning as credit hour.

Department means the State Department of Education, which is comprised of the Board and the Commissioner.

Endorsement means an area of specialization indicated on a certificate or permit issued pursuant to 92 NAC 21 signifying that the individual has met specific requirements contained in this chapter.

Field (used as a descriptor of an endorsement) means two or more subjects which, considered as a single area of study, represent a wider and broader scope than that of a subject.

Field-based experiences means those that are conducted at a school site, school administration center, school clinic, or community agency, etc. These experiences include classroom observations, tutoring, assisting school administrators or teachers, as well as participation in school and community-wide activities. Planning shall be shared by the professional education unit and the appropriate agency.

Internship means an experience supervised by a qualified professional who holds a certificate or permit or has qualifications comparable to that of a certificate or permit holder. The internship provides opportunities to practice and demonstrate the knowledge and skills of the specialization area in a setting that is similar to the setting in which the candidate intends to work.
Internship differs from student teaching in that it is only applicable to graduate level and supplemental endorsements.

003.15 **Passing Score** means a scaled score on a Praxis Subject Assessment Series or School Leadership Series subject content test as established by the Department.

003.16 **Practicum** means an extensive experience in which education students practice professional skills and knowledge. Both student teaching and internships are examples of a practicum.

003.17 **Prekindergarten** means the preschool years for children beginning at age 3 prior to entering kindergarten.

003.18 **Regular Certificate** means an initial, standard or professional certificate as defined in 92 NAC 21.

003.19 **Semester Hour** means the equivalent of 15 instructional class periods of 50 minutes or more. Credit hour has the same meaning as semester hour.

003.20 **Standard Institution of Higher Education** means any college or university, the teacher education programs of which are fully approved by the Board or approved in another state pursuant to standards which are comparable and equivalent to those set by the board.

003.21 **Student teaching** means a full time, directed teaching experience conducted in a school setting that provides supervised opportunities to practice and demonstrate over a continuous, extended time period (as required by 92 NAC 20) the unique knowledge and skills of teaching in the endorsement area(s).

003.22 **Subject** (used as a descriptor of an endorsement) means a specific course or narrow range of courses taught and offered in a school.

003.23 **Supplemental** (used as a descriptor of an endorsement) means an endorsement obtained by meeting the requirements of this chapter and which may be added to a certificate in the presence of other endorsements which may or may not be specified.

003.24 **Teaching experience** means employment as a certified employee for the instruction of students in an approved or accredited school.
004 Application Procedures

004.01 Initial Endorsement. When an applicant applies for his or her teaching, administrative, or special services certificate or permit pursuant to 92 NAC 21, he or she will be required to file documentation, signed by a certification officer of a standard institution of higher education, indicating that he or she has met the requirements of this chapter for one or more endorsements (depending upon the requirements of 92 NAC 21 for the type of certificate or permit and the type of endorsements), to file an application and pay the fee provided for in 92 NAC 21. A recommended form (Institutional Verification) is available on the Teacher Certification website.

004.02 Additional Endorsements. Additional endorsements may be added to a certificate or permit at any time upon the payment of the fee provided for in 92 NAC 21 and documentation signed by a certification officer of a standard institution of higher education, that clearly show that the endorsement requirements and student teaching experience requirements, if applicable, of this chapter have been met in approved endorsement programs.

004.02A Applicants applying for additional subject or field endorsements have no additional student teaching requirement if the endorsement is for the same grade level as endorsement(s) already held on the certificate. If it is for a different level, the applicant must meet half of the 14 week student teaching requirement through student teaching or internship.

004.03 Provisional Endorsements. Individuals holding a regular Nebraska certificate may apply to add one provisional endorsement as follows:

004.03A Completing an application and payment of the statutory fee as required under 92 NAC 21; and

004.03B Submitting a document signed and dated by the certification officer of a Nebraska standard institution of higher education which verifies that the applicant has completed 50 percent of the endorsement credit hour requirement in an approved endorsement program and lists the remaining courses to be completed. A recommended form (Added Provisional Endorsement) is available on the Teacher Certification website.

This provisional endorsement cannot be renewed and will expire on August 31 of the third year following issuance.
 Provisional Special Education Endorsement. Individuals holding a regular Nebraska certificate may apply to add a provisional special education endorsement. The provisional special education endorsement shall expire August 31 in the year following the year of issuance and may be renewed two (2) times.

 Each applicant for a provisional special education endorsement will:

 Complete an application and pay the statutory fee as required under 92 NAC 21;

 Submit the Affirmation of Eligibility form, a copy of which is attached as Appendix B and available on the Teacher Certification website, requesting the issuance of the provisional special education endorsement;

 Submit an official transcript from a standard institution of higher education that demonstrates at least six (6) semester hours of coursework has already been completed for the provisional special education endorsement; and

 Submit a document that is signed and dated by the certification officer from a Nebraska standard institution of higher education which verifies that the applicant has established a plan for completion of course work leading to a Special Education Generalist endorsement. A recommended form, Added Provisional Endorsement, is available on the Teacher Certification website.

 Each applicant for renewal of a provisional special education endorsement will:

 Complete an application and pay the statutory fee as required under 92 NAC 21; and

 Submit an official transcript verifying completion of at least nine (9) semester hours of course work from the established plan for completion of course work leading to a Special Education Generalist endorsement.

 Endorsements, once granted, continue in effect so long as the holder maintains a certificate or permit in force, or until revoked or amended pursuant to state law or regulation.

 Provisional endorsements continue for three (3) years.
Provisional special education endorsements must be renewed annually.

If an endorsement is amended through changes to this chapter but the title remains the same, current holders of that endorsement will continue to have that endorsement in effect for their current and future certificates or permits. If an endorsement is no longer contained in this chapter because it has been repealed or the title and requirements have changed, the following provisions apply:

If a comparable existing endorsement is listed for such former endorsement in Appendix A of this chapter, the certificate or permit holder will be considered to hold such comparable endorsement for purposes of determining school or school district compliance with approval or accreditation requirements under Chapters 10 or 14 of this Title, and for purposes of the requirements of any other chapter of this Title. At the time of future renewals, the new certificate or permit will carry the comparable endorsement.

If an endorsement that was formerly designated as a subject or field endorsement is reclassified as a supplemental endorsement, the endorsement will continue to be placed on a certificate or permit as a subject or field endorsement if the subject or field endorsement appeared on a certificate or permit prior to the implementation date of the reclassification, or if the individual seeking the endorsement completes a program for which a standard institution of higher education makes recommendation for a subject or field endorsement within one year of the implementation date of the reclassification.

If no comparable endorsement is listed in Appendix A, the endorsement will be considered non-existent for purposes of Department regulations.

Revocation of Endorsements. Endorsements shall be revoked for any of the following reasons:

Revocation of the certificate or permit.

Fraud, misrepresentation, or error.

Written request by the endorsed person to the Commissioner and the Commissioner determines that the person has no employment experience and no college credit in the endorsed area within ten (10) years prior to the written request.
004.06D Elimination of the endorsement by the Board as shown in Appendix A.

004.06E Replacement of the endorsement by the Board with another endorsement as shown in Appendix A.

004.07 Hearings and Appeals. All actions taken by the Department under the provisions of this chapter may be subject to appeal under the appeals procedure contained in 92 NAC 21.

004.08 Certification of Completion of Endorsement Requirements. Certification officers will be required, as a condition of institution approval pursuant to 92 NAC 20, to certify for the Department the completion of endorsement requirements as specified in this chapter as part of endorsement applications.

005 Administrative Endorsements

005.01 Curriculum Supervisor

005.01A Grade Levels: PK-12

005.01B Endorsement Type: Field/Administrative

005.01C Persons with this endorsement may assist in or supervise the development of curriculum programs for students in prekindergarten through grade 12.

005.01D This endorsement is available for placement on a Nebraska certificate only for those individuals who held this endorsement, or are recommended for the endorsement by a Standard Institution of Higher Education prior to August 1, 2020. Nebraska institutions will not be able to recommend this endorsement for placement on a certificate after August 1, 2020.

005.02 Principal

005.02A Grade Levels: PK-12, PK-8, or 7-12

005.02B Endorsement Type: Field/Administrative

005.02C Persons with this endorsement may serve in all general administrative and supervisory capacities in Nebraska schools as a principal at the grade levels for which the program preparation was completed.
005.02D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires 36 or 45 graduate semester hours of credit in an approved program in educational administration. Thirty-six (36) graduate semester hours are required if the principal endorsement is at the same level as the teaching endorsement. Those seeking a principal endorsement at a level different from their teaching endorsement must complete a minimum of nine (9) additional credit hours. The focus of the additional nine (9) credit hours must be specific to the new level.

005.02D1 The applicant for this endorsement must have two (2) years of teaching experience in an approved/accredited elementary, middle, and/or secondary schools.

005.02D2 Internship/Field-Based Experiences: This endorsement requires 250 clock hours of internship/field-based experiences in approved or accredited elementary, middle, or secondary schools. These hours must be completed at the level(s) for the endorsement(s) being sought.

005.02E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

005.02F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

005.03 Special Education Supervisor

005.03A Grade Levels: Birth through Grade 12

005.03B Endorsement Type: Field/Administrative

005.03C Persons with this endorsement may serve in all special education administrative and supervisory roles in Nebraska schools providing services for students with disabilities, birth through age 21.

005.03D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 graduate semester hours related to educational leadership and special education administration coursework, and includes an internship experience in special education supervision.
Additional requirements: For admission to the program of study leading to this endorsement, the applicant must have or be eligible to hold a valid regular teaching certificate with a special education endorsement; and

Have completed two (2) years of teaching in an approved or accredited school system.

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

Superintendent

Grade Levels: PK-12

Endorsement Type: Field/Administrative

Persons with this endorsement may serve in all general administrative and supervisory capacities in Nebraska schools as superintendent, principal, or other administrative roles at all levels.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a Master's degree, a minimum of 60 graduate hours in educational administration or educational leadership, completion of an educational specialist, doctoral program, or other state-approved program for the preparation of a superintendent, and a one-semester internship in an approved or accredited school system.

The applicant for this endorsement must qualify for a regular teaching certificate and an administrative certificate and have two (2) years of teaching experience.

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.
The applicant may be admitted to the program of studies leading to this endorsement following a screening process which includes (1) a review of transcripts, (2) three letters of recommendation from people who know of the candidate’s work, (3) successful completion of a qualifying examination as identified by the standard institution, and (4) a written statement from the candidate outlining his/her professional goals.

Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

Teaching Endorsements

Adapted Physical Education

Grade Level: PK-12

Endorsement Type: Supplemental. This endorsement requires an applicant to hold, or earn concurrently, a subject or field endorsement in: Health and Physical Education, Physical Education, or one of the Special Education endorsements.

Persons with this endorsement may teach physical education to children and youth in prekindergarten through grade 12 who have unique needs or verified disabilities. Persons with this endorsement may provide consultant services to teachers of students with unique needs or verified disabilities.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 24 semester hours of course work. Applicants may apply up to 12 semester hours of course work completed as part of a subject or field endorsement in Physical Education or Special Education toward requirements of this endorsement. The hours shall include the following:

Course work in special education – six (6) semester hours;

Course work in the content areas of physical education instruction – six (6) semester hours;

A minimum of 12 semester hours in adapted physical education courses.
006.01E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.02 Agricultural Education

006.02A Grade Levels: 6-12

006.02B Endorsement Type: Field

006.02C Persons with this endorsement may teach and manage an Agricultural Education program and will be eligible for the Work-Based Learning endorsement.

006.02D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 48 semester hours of agriculture subject matter plus work experience including:

006.02D1 A minimum of 12 semester hours in agricultural education which includes pedagogical content knowledge and principles of career and technical education and including a minimum of three (3) semester hours of coordination and supervision of work-based learning; and

006.02D2 A minimum of 36 semester hours from the areas of: Agribusiness Systems, Animal Systems, Food Products and Processing Systems, Natural Resources and Environmental Service Systems, Plant Systems, and Power, Structural, and Technical Systems, including leadership, research, applied technology, and policy within the aforementioned systems:

006.02D2a Three (3) semester hours – Agribusiness Systems
006.02D2b Three (3) semester hours – Animal Systems
006.02D2c Three (3) semester hours – Food Products and Processing Systems
006.02D2d Three (3) semester hours – Natural Resources and Environmental Service Systems
006.02D2e Three (3) semester hours – Plant Systems
006.02D2f Nine (9) semester hours – Power, Structural, and Technical systems, and
006.02E Work Experience: The endorsement is available only to those persons who have either (A) 1000 verified hours of paid work-based experience relative to the career field, or (B) at least 300 hours of supervised work experience relevant to the career field, under the direction of the college or university recommending the endorsement.

006.02F Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.02G Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.03 American Sign Language (Subject)

006.03A Grade Levels: K-8, 7-12, or K-12

006.03B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.03C Persons with this endorsement may teach American Sign Language (ASL) at the grade level(s) for which they have been prepared.

006.03D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 30 semester hours of ASL content course work.

006.03D1 Practicum. Prospective teachers shall be engaged in practicum experience at the level(s) of endorsement.

006.03E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.04 American Sign Language (Supplemental)

006.04A Grade Levels: K-8, 7-12, or K-12

006.04B Endorsement Type: Supplemental

006.04C Persons with this endorsement may teach American Sign Language (ASL) at the grade level(s) for which they have been prepared.
006.04D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 18 semester hours of coursework in ASL content.

006.04D1 Practicum. Prospective teachers shall be engaged in practicum experiences at the level(s) of endorsement.

006.04E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.05 Anthropology

006.05A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.05B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.05C Persons with this endorsement may teach anthropology in grades 7 through 12.

006.05D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours including 30 semester hours in anthropology and six (6) semester hours in one or more of the other social sciences areas (Economics, Geography, History, Political Science, Psychology, and/or Sociology).

006.05E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement. The courses shall incorporate the Nebraska social studies/history content standards found in 92 NAC 10 into the curriculum as applicable to the grade level endorsement.

006.06 Art

006.06A Grade Levels: PK-12

006.06B Endorsement Type: Field

006.06C Persons with this endorsement may teach art for students in prekindergarten through grade 12.
006.06D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires 52 semester hours in art course work, including studio art, art history, theory and criticism, teaching competencies, new technology, and career opportunities in art.

006.06E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.06F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.07 Assessment Leadership

006.07A Grade Levels: PK-12

006.07B Endorsement Type: Supplemental

006.07C Persons with this endorsement may assist in or facilitate the development of assessment programs for students in prekindergarten through grade 12.

006.07D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 18 graduate semester hours that shall include the following:

006.07D1 Three (3) semester hours in the study of district, state, and national assessment.

006.07D2 Three (3) semester hours in the study of classroom-based assessment.

006.07D3 Three (3) semester hours of field-based experiences related to Sections 006.07D1 and 006.07D2.

006.07D4 Six (6) semester hours in the study of leadership and collecting, analyzing, reporting, and using data for instructional improvement.

006.07D5 Three (3) semester hours of field-based experiences related to all aspects of Section 006.07D4.
006.07D6 The applicant for admission to the program of studies leading to this endorsement must have a valid teaching or administrative certificate and two (2) years of teaching experience.

006.07E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.08 Basic Business

006.08A Grade Levels: 6-12

006.08B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.08C Persons with this endorsement may teach basic business education courses in grades 6 through 12.

006.08D This endorsement is available for placement on a Nebraska certificate only for those individuals who held this endorsement, or are recommended for the endorsement by a Standard Institution of Higher Education prior to August 1, 2019. Nebraska institutions will not be able to recommend this endorsement for placement on a certificate after August 1, 2019.

006.09 Bilingual Education

006.09A Grade Levels: PK-12, PK-6, 7-12

006.09B Endorsement Type: Supplemental. This endorsement requires an applicant to hold, or earn concurrently, an English as a Second Language (ESL) endorsement in addition to a subject or field endorsement.

006.09C Persons with this endorsement may teach in a bilingual program in the grade levels for which they are prepared.

006.09D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 12 semester hours of course work related to methodology, content instruction, and content literacy in bilingual education programs which includes nine (9) credit hours of course work taught in the target language.

006.09D1 Candidates must also complete a 45 clock hour practicum in a bilingual education program taught in the target language at the grade level(s) of the endorsement being sought.
006.09E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.10 Biology

006.10A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.10B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.10C Persons with this endorsement may teach any biology course in grades 7 through 12.

006.10D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours of laboratory based courses in the natural sciences (biology, chemistry, Earth and space science, and physics), of which 24 semester hours must be in biology and a minimum of 12 semester hours of laboratory based courses among the remaining three natural sciences areas. A laboratory-based course provides activity-based, hands-on experience for all students. Laboratory activities shall be designed to allow students to develop scientific skills and processes, discover and construct science concepts, and allow for the application of the concept to the real lives of students.

006.10E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.10F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.11 Business, Marketing, and Information Technology

006.11A Grade Levels: 6-12

006.11B Endorsement Type: Field

006.11C Persons with this endorsement may teach Business, Marketing, and Information Technology education courses and will be eligible for the Work-Based Learning endorsement.
006.11D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 51 semester hours, including:

006.11D1 24 semester hours in business administration;

006.11D2 Nine (9) semester hours in marketing content knowledge;

006.11D3 12 semester hours in information technology systems content knowledge;

006.11D4 A minimum of three (3) semester hours of coursework in coordination and supervision of work-based learning;

006.11D5 A minimum of three (3) semester hours of professional education coursework to include pedagogical content knowledge and principles of career and technical education; and

006.11E Work Experience: The endorsement is available only to those who have either (A) 1000 verified hours of paid work-based experience relevant to the career field; or (B) at least 300 hours of supervised work experience relevant to the career field under the direction of the college or university recommending the endorsement.

006.11F Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.11G Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.12 Career Education

006.12A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.12B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.12C The endorsement is valid only on a career education permit for a career education area where no preparation program is offered by an approved teacher training institution in Nebraska or for which a school system submits documentation that it has not found a qualified teacher for the career education teaching permit.
006.12D  This endorsement requires:

006.12D1  Completion of postsecondary degree or certificate in a prescribed course of study in the career education area, or

006.12D2  Completion of an apprenticeship program in the career education area, or

006.12D3  Demonstrated proficiency in the career education area based upon five (5) years of practice in the career area, or

006.12D4  Demonstrated proficiency by passing a competency examination approved by the career area industry, or

006.12D5  Current employment by a community college as an instructor to teach the career education area.

006.13  Chemistry

006.13A  Grade Levels: 7-12

006.13B  Endorsement Type: Subject

006.13C  Persons with this endorsement may teach any chemistry course in grades 7 through 12.

006.13D  Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours of laboratory based courses in the natural sciences (biology, chemistry, Earth and space science, and physics), of which 24 semester hours must be in chemistry and a minimum of 12 semester hours of laboratory based courses among the remaining three natural sciences areas. A laboratory-based course provides activity-based, hands-on experience for all students. Laboratory activities shall be designed to allow students to develop scientific skills and processes, discover and construct science concepts, and allow for the application of the concept to the real lives of students.

006.13E  Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.
Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

**Coaching**

**Grade levels: 7-12**

**Endorsement Type: Supplemental**

Persons with this endorsement may coach interscholastic athletic events for participants in grades 7 through 12.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 12 semester hours of coursework related to coaching athletics, including first aid, health and safety for coaches; prevention, care, and management of injuries; fundamentals of coaching, including psychology of coaching and coaching theory; and growth, development and learning. Other courses related to coaching athletics such as legal aspects and responsibilities; training and conditioning; nutrition; and administration of sports shall be used to fulfill any remaining coaching semester hours.

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

**Driver Education**

**Grade Levels: 7-12**

**Endorsement Type: Supplemental**

Persons with this endorsement may teach driver education to students in grades 7 through 12.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of nine (9) semester credit hours in courses that address traffic safety, general safety, first aid, motor vehicle systems, and alcohol and drug education.
Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Early Childhood Education

Grade Levels: Prekindergarten through Grade 3

Endorsement Type: Supplemental. This endorsement requires an applicant to hold, or earn concurrently, the Elementary Education endorsement.

Persons with this endorsement may teach children from prekindergarten through grade 3.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 18 semester hours of coursework specific to early childhood education that address preschool and kindergarten levels and includes the identification of deficiencies and effective instructional and intervention strategies related to mathematics and reading.

Practicum. Candidates must complete a 45 clock-hour practicum working with preschool (prekindergarten) children.

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Early Childhood Inclusive

Grade Levels: Birth through Grade 3

Endorsement Type: Field

Persons with this endorsement may teach and provide services to children from birth through grade 3 including those with special developmental and/or learning needs as defined in Section 79-1118.01 R.R.S, and to support families and other personnel with responsibilities for their care and education.
006.17D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 51 semester hours, including 39 semester hours of coursework in Early Childhood Education and Early Childhood Special Education for children birth through grade 3, and 12 additional semester hours of coursework in one area of concentration, either birth through kindergarten or age 3 through grade 3. Course work must include the identification of deficiencies and effective instructional and intervention strategies related to mathematics and reading.

006.17E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.17F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.18 Earth and Space Science

006.18A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.18B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.18C Persons with this endorsement may teach any Earth and space science course in grades 7 through 12.

006.18D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours of laboratory based courses in the natural sciences (biology, chemistry, Earth and space science, and physics), of which 24 semester hours must be in Earth and space science and a minimum of 12 semester hours of laboratory based courses among the remaining three natural sciences areas. A laboratory-based course provides activity-based, hands-on experience for all students. Laboratory activities shall be designed to allow students to develop scientific skills and processes, discover and construct science concepts, and allow for the application of the concept to the real lives of students.

006.18E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.
Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

Economics

Grade Levels: 7-12

Endorsement Type: Subject

Persons with this endorsement may teach economics in grades 7 through 12.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours including 30 hours in economics and six (6) semester hours in one or more of the other social sciences areas (Geography, History, Political Science, Psychology, and/or either Anthropology or Sociology).

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement. The courses shall incorporate the Nebraska social studies/history content standards found in 92 NAC 10 into the curriculum as applicable to the grade level endorsement.

Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

Elementary Education

Grade levels: K-6 (K-8 in self-contained classrooms)

Endorsement Type: Field

Persons with this endorsement may teach children in all elementary subjects in kindergarten through grade 6 in all schools; and in grades 7 and 8 in self-contained classrooms. Self-contained classrooms exist when students spend more than half the school day with one teacher who provides instruction in more than half of the academic areas of the curriculum.
006.20D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires professional education coursework related to teaching children from kindergarten through grade eight and academic coursework in all areas of the elementary curriculum.

006.20D1 A minimum of 40 semester hours of professional education coursework shall include the following:

006.20D1a Child growth and development;

006.20D1b Curriculum, methodology, and assessment appropriate for all students in all areas of the elementary school curriculum;

006.20D1c Instructional strategies that are adapted for diverse students;

006.20D1d Organization and management of the classroom;

006.20D1e Communication skills in collaborating with parents and other adults, including those with diverse languages and cultures; and

006.20D1f History, trends, and societal and cultural issues which impact elementary education.

006.20D2 A minimum of 30 semester hours of academic coursework distributed across the four curriculum areas of English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies/history. A minimum of six (6) semester hours is required in each of the four areas. Course work in the four core areas includes:

006.20D2a Communication, including literature, composition and speech, and reading instruction to include identification of deficiencies and effective instructional and intervention strategies;

006.20D2b Mathematics, including identification of deficiencies and effective instructional and intervention strategies;

006.20D2c Natural sciences; and

006.20D2d Social sciences.
006.20D3 In addition to the 30 semester hours listed above, academic coursework is required in each of the following areas:

006.20D3a Fine arts and humanities, and;

006.20D3b Health and wellness.

006.20E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.20F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.21 English

006.21A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.21B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.21C Persons with this endorsement may teach writing, language, and literature in grades 7 through 12.

006.21D This endorsement is available for placement on a Nebraska certificate only for those individuals who held this endorsement, or are recommended for the endorsement by a Standard Institution of Higher Education prior to August 1, 2015. Nebraska institutions will not be able to recommend this endorsement for placement on a certificate after August 1, 2015.

006.22 English As A Second Language

006.22A Grade Levels: PK-12, PK-6, 7-12

006.22B Endorsement Type: Supplemental

006.22C Persons with this endorsement may teach English as a Second Language (ESL) in the grade levels for which they are prepared.
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006.22D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 15 semester hours of course work in the following topics: Second Language Acquisition, English Language/Linguistics, Cross-Cultural Communication, Methods/Curriculum Design in English as a Second Language, and Assessment and Evaluation of English Language Learners (ELL).

006.22D1 Practicum. Candidates must complete a 45 clock hour practicum working with ELL students at the grade level(s) of the endorsement being sought.

006.22E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.23 English Language Arts

006.23A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.23B Endorsement Type: Field

006.23C Persons with this endorsement may teach English Language Arts courses such as literature, writing, language, communications (including speech, theatre, and journalism), and reading/literacy skills in grades 7 through 12.

006.23D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 48 semester hours of content and pedagogical content coursework in literature, writing, language, communications, and reading/literacy skills and strategies.

006.23E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.23F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.
Family and Consumer Sciences Occupational

Grade Levels: 6-12

Endorsement Type: Field

Persons with this endorsement may teach Family and Consumer Sciences courses and will be eligible for the Work-Based Learning endorsement.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 48 semester hours, including 42 semester hours of Family and Consumer Sciences content with the following minimums:

- Three (3) semester hours – Methods in Family and Consumer Sciences;
- Three (3) semester hours – Careers, Community and Family Connections;
- Nine (9) semester hours – Consumer Economics and Family Resources;
- Nine (9) semester hours – Family and Human Development;
- Nine (9) semester hours – Nutrition, Food Science and Food Production;
- Three (3) semester hours – Design, Textiles, Apparel, or Interiors;
- A minimum of three (3) semester hours of professional education coursework to include pedagogical content knowledge and principles of career and technical education; and
- A minimum of three (3) semester hours of coursework in coordination and supervision of work-based learning; and

Work Experience: The endorsement is available only to those persons who have either (A) 1,000 verified hours of paid work-based experience relevant to the career field, or (B) at least 300 hours of supervised work experience relevant to the career field under the direction of the college or university recommending the endorsement.
Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

Geography

Grade Levels: 7-12

Endorsement Type: Subject

Persons with this endorsement may teach geography in grades 7 through 12.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours including 30 hours in geography and six (6) semester hours in one or more of the other social sciences areas (Economics, History, Political Science, Psychology, and/or either Anthropology or Sociology).

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement. The courses shall incorporate the Nebraska social studies/history content standards found in 92 NAC 10 into the curriculum as applicable to the grade level endorsement.

Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

Health Education

Grade Levels: 7-12

Endorsement Type: Subject
006.26C Persons with this endorsement may teach comprehensive health education programs in grades 7 through 12.

006.26D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 30 semester hours in health courses that demonstrate content knowledge and skills of a health literate educator; assess needs to determine priorities for comprehensive school health education; plan comprehensive school health curricula and programs; implement health education instruction; assess student learning; plan and coordinate a school health education program; communicate and advocate for health and school health education; serve as a resource person in health education; and collaborate with other professionals in implementing a coordinated school health program.

006.26E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.26F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.27 Health and Physical Education

006.27A Grade Levels: PK-12

006.27B Endorsement Type: Field

006.27C Persons with this endorsement may teach health and physical education in prekindergarten through grade 12.

006.27D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires 54 semester hours of preparation in health and physical education courses with:

006.27D1 A minimum of 27 semester hours in foundations of physical education, including: anatomy; kinesiology and biomechanics; exercise physiology; motor learning and motor development; skill and fitness based competencies; curriculum planning and implementation; instructional delivery and classroom management; adapted physical education; and assessment of student learning in elementary and secondary physical education programs; and
006.27D A minimum of 27 semester hours in health education foundations that: demonstrate content knowledge and skills of a health literate educator; assess needs to determine priorities for comprehensive school health education; plan comprehensive school health curricula and programs; implement health education instruction; assess student learning; plan and coordinate a school health education program; communicate and advocate for health and school health education; serve as a resource person in health education; and collaborate with other professionals in implementing a coordinated school health program.

006.27E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.27F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.28 Health Sciences Education

006.28A Grade Levels: 6-12

006.28B Endorsement Type: Supplemental. This endorsement requires an applicant to hold, or earn concurrently, a subject or field endorsement in: Science, Biology, Health and Physical Education, Physical Education, Health Education, Agriculture Education, or Family and Consumer Sciences Occupational.

006.28C Persons with this endorsement may teach Health Sciences courses and will be eligible for the Work-Based Learning endorsement.

006.28D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This supplemental endorsement requires a minimum of fifteen (15) semester hours with the following minimums:

006.28D1 A minimum of nine (9) semester hours which must include:

006.28D1a A minimum of three (3) semester hours in human anatomy and/or human physiology; and
006.28D1b A minimum of six (6) semester hours in one or more additional Health Sciences areas: medical terminology, exercise physiology, kinesiology, and public/community health; and

006.28D2 A minimum of three (3) semester hours of professional education course work to include pedagogical content knowledge and principles of career and technical education; and

006.28D3 A minimum of three (3) semester hours of course work in coordination and supervision of work-based learning; and

006.28E Work Experience: The endorsement is available only to those persons who have either (A) 1,000 verified hours of paid work-based experience relevant to the career field or (B) at least 300 hours of supervised work experience relevant to the career field under the direction of the college or university recommending the endorsement.

006.28F Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.29 High Ability Education

006.29A Grade Levels: K-12

006.29B Endorsement Type: Supplemental

006.29C Persons with this endorsement may teach learners with high ability; facilitate the identification of learners with high ability; develop, coordinate, and evaluate programs for learners with high ability; and act as a resource person in education for students with high ability in kindergarten through grade 12.

006.29D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 18 semester hours related to the education of learners with high ability and a minimum of 90 hours of related clinical experience, including experience at both elementary (K-6) and secondary (7-12) levels.
006.29E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.30 History

006.30A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.30B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.30C Persons with this endorsement may teach history in grades 7 through 12.

006.30D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours including 30 semester hours in history and a minimum of six (6) semester hours in one or more of the other social sciences areas (Economics, Geography, Political Science, Psychology, and/or either Anthropology or Sociology).

006.30E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement. The courses shall incorporate the Nebraska social studies/history content standards found in 92 NAC 10 into the curriculum as applicable to the grade level endorsement.

006.30F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.31 Information Technology

006.31A Grade Levels: PK-12

006.31B Endorsement Type: Supplemental

006.31C Persons with this endorsement may teach information technology courses.

006.31D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 15 semester hours in information technology courses.
Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.32 Instructional Technology Leadership

006.32A Grade Levels: PK-12

006.32B Endorsement Type: Supplemental endorsement only. This endorsement cannot exist by itself on a certificate, but is added to a certificate only in the presence of other endorsements which may have been acquired earlier or concurrently.

006.32C Persons with this endorsement may assist in or facilitate the development of technology programs for students in prekindergarten through grade 12.

006.32D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 15 semester hours which includes the following:

006.32D1 The study of school and district level technology integration into curriculum areas for instructional improvement;

006.32D2 The study of research and best practices of technology integration to address school improvement efforts; and

006.32D3 The study of education leadership for collecting, analyzing, reporting, and using data for instructional improvement.

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.33 Journalism and Media Education

006.33A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.33B Endorsement Type: Supplemental

006.33C Persons with this endorsement may teach journalism writing and production courses, and direct student efforts in curricular and cocurricular media intended for public consumption in grades 7 through 12.
006.33D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 18 semester hours in journalism and digital literacies, including an approved field experience.

006.33E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.34 Mathematics

006.34A Grade Levels: 6-12

006.34B Endorsement Type: Field

006.34C Persons with this endorsement may teach mathematics in grades 6 through 12.

006.34D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours of mathematics.

006.34E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.34F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.35 Middle Level Education

006.35A Grade Levels: 5-9

006.35B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.35C Persons with this endorsement may teach grades 5 through 9 in the area(s) of the endorsement.
006.35D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours of which 12 semester hours shall be in professional education courses, not including clinical experience, related to middle level education, and a minimum of 24 semester hours in one core academic area as listed in 006.35D1.

006.35D1 Core Academic Areas include the following:

006.35D1a English Language Arts
006.35D1b Mathematics
006.35D1c Science
006.35D1d Social Science

006.35D2 Additional content areas may be added with a minimum of 24 semester hours in any of the core academic areas as listed above, or in any of the following content areas:

006.35D2a Agriculture Education;
006.35D2b Business, Marketing and Information Technology Education;
006.35D2c Family and Consumer Sciences;
006.35D2d Health and Physical Education;
006.35D2e Industrial Technology Education;
006.35D2f World Language.

006.35E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.35F Effective September 1, 2018, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.36 Music

006.36A Grade Levels: PK-12

006.36B Endorsement Type: Field

006.36C Persons with this endorsement may teach music in prekindergarten through grade 12.
006.36D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 54 semester hours in music education. Music coursework will include theory, composition, arranging, improvisation, music history, applied music, ensemble performance, conducting, pedagogy, and technology.

006.36E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.36F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.37 Physical Education

006.37A Grade Levels: PK-6, 7-12, PK-12

006.37B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.37C Persons with this endorsement may teach physical education in prekindergarten through grade 6, grades 7 through 12, or prekindergarten through grade 12.

006.37D Certification Endorsement Requirement: This endorsement requires a minimum of 30 semester hours in physical education courses for prekindergarten through grade 6 or grades 7-12 endorsements.

006.37D1 The PK-6 endorsement requires a minimum of 15 semester hours in foundations of physical education including: anatomy; kinesiology and biomechanics; exercise physiology; motor learning and motor development; and adapted physical education; plus a minimum of 15 semester hours of course work in skill and fitness based competencies; curriculum planning and implementation; instructional delivery and classroom management; and assessment of student learning in elementary school physical education programs.

006.37D2 The 7-12 endorsement requires a minimum of 15 semester hours in foundations of physical education including: anatomy; kinesiology and biomechanics; exercise physiology; motor learning and motor development; and adapted physical education; plus a minimum of 15 semester hours of course work in skill and
fitness based competencies; curriculum planning and implementation; instructional delivery and classroom management; and assessment of student learning in secondary school physical education programs.

006.37D3 Applicants seeking both the PK-6 and 7-12 endorsements or the PK-12 endorsement, are required to earn a minimum of 42 semester hours of course work as prescribed above for elementary and secondary school physical education programs.

006.37E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.37F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.38 Physics

006.38A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.38B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.38C Persons with this endorsement may teach any physics course in grades 7 through 12.

006.38D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours of laboratory based courses in the natural sciences (biology, chemistry, Earth and space science, and physics), of which 24 semester hours must be in physics, and a minimum of 12 semester hours of laboratory based courses among the remaining three natural sciences areas. A laboratory-based course provides activity-based, hands-on experience for all students. Laboratory activities shall be designed to allow students to develop scientific skills and processes, discover and construct science concepts, and allow for the application of the concept to the real lives of students.

006.38E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.
006.38F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.39 Political Science

006.39A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.39B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.39C Persons with this endorsement may teach political science in grades 7 through 12.

006.39D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours including 30 semester hours in Political Science and six (6) semester hours in one or more of the other social sciences areas (Economics, Geography, History, Psychology, and/or either Anthropology or Sociology).

006.39E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement. The courses shall incorporate the Nebraska social studies/history content standards found in 92 NAC 10 into the curriculum as applicable to the grade level endorsement.

006.38F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.40 Psychology

006.40A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.40B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.40C Persons with this endorsement may teach psychology in grades 7 through 12.

006.40D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 hours including 30 semester hours in Psychology and six (6) semester hours in one or more of the other social sciences areas (Economics, Geography, History, Political Science, and/or Anthropology or Sociology).
006.40E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.40F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.41 Reading and Writing

006.41A Grade Levels: PK-6, 7-12

006.41B Endorsement Type: Supplemental

006.41C Persons with this endorsement may teach reading and writing in prekindergarten through grade 6, or in grades 7 through 12.

006.41D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 18 semester hours in courses selected from reading, writing, and language theories, developmental reading and writing on the elementary or secondary level, appropriate strategies and skills, diagnostic and intervention techniques and resources, and children’s or adolescent literature, language, and writing, and including an approved field experience.

006.41E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.42 Reading Specialist

006.42A Grade Levels: PK-12

006.42B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.42C Persons with this endorsement may teach, provide leadership for professional development in the area of reading, and assess and interpret data to determine and implement instructional options for teaching students in prekindergarten through grade 12.
006.42D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 30 graduate semester hours in reading and related courses. In addition, this endorsement requires clinical experiences appropriate for the endorsement level.

006.42D1 Additional Requirements: An applicant for this endorsement shall have a regular teaching certificate and two (2) years of teaching experience.

006.42E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.42F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.43 Religious Education

006.43A Grade Levels: PK-6, 7-12, K-12

006.43B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.43C Persons with this endorsement may teach religion in private schools.

006.43D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 24 semester hours of religion.

006.43D1 College Limitation: This endorsement may be approved to be offered as part of an approved teacher education program only in nonpublic institutions of higher education.

006.43E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.
Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC)

**006.44A** Grade Levels: 9-12

**006.44B** Endorsement Type: Subject

**006.44C** The endorsement will be valid only in the area of ROTC and may appear only on a career education certificate.

**006.44C1** Five (5) years of full time or salaried employment in the military.

**006.44D** A letter of recommendation from a military supervisor.

School Counselor

**006.45A** Grade Levels: PK-8, 7-12; PK-12

**006.45B** Endorsement Type: Subject (PK-8; 7-12); Field (PK-12)

**006.45C** Persons with this endorsement may serve as school counselors in the grade levels of the endorsement (PK-8; 7-12; PK-12).

**006.45D** Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires:

**006.45D1** A Master’s Degree in Counseling with a specialization in School Counseling with a minimum of 36 graduate semester hours;

**006.45D2** A minimum of 100 clock hours of school counseling field experiences prior to internship; and

**006.45D3** A school counseling internship with a minimum of 450 clock hours of internship at the grade levels of the endorsement; and

**006.45D4** A previously earned teaching certificate with an endorsement contained in 92 NAC 24; or

**006.45D4a** If the candidate has not previously earned a teaching certificate with an endorsement contained in 92 NAC 24, the candidate must also complete a minimum of 12 additional semester hours of professional teacher education coursework related to core curriculum design, lesson plan development, classroom management strategies, student assessment, and differentiated instructional strategies.
Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

School Librarian

Grade Levels: PK-12

Endorsement Type: Field

Persons with this endorsement may supervise the development and organization of a library media program and teach or direct the use of the library media resources and services in prekindergarten through grade 12.

Certificate Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires the applicant to hold a teaching certificate or concurrently earn a subject or field endorsement, and acquire a minimum of 30 semester hours in library media courses, including leadership, library administration, technology, information access, children’s and young adult literature, resource management, and curriculum and instruction.

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

School Psychologist

Grade Levels: PK-12

Endorsement Type: Field
006.47C Persons with this teaching endorsement may provide school psychological services to students (birth to age 21), school personnel, parents and other specialists related to individual student needs or school program considerations.

006.47D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires at least 60 graduate semester hours beyond the baccalaureate degree, in which at least 54 are exclusive of credit for the supervised internship.

006.47D1 A minimum of 1,200 clock hours of internship experience, supervised by a Standard Institution of Higher Education, 600 of which must be in a school setting. Applicants who have completed 600 hours of supervised experience in school settings prior to the internship as part of their doctoral training program in school psychology may complete all 1,200 hours of their supervised internship in a setting that provides psychological services to children, birth to age 21.

006.47E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.47F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.48 Science

006.48A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.48B Endorsement Type: Field

006.48C Persons with this endorsement may teach any science course in grades 7 through 12.

006.48D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 48 semester hours of laboratory-based courses with a minimum of two (2) laboratory-based courses in each of the four disciplines in the sciences (biology, chemistry, Earth and space, and physics.) A laboratory-based course provides activity-based, hands-on experiences for all students. Laboratory activities shall be designed to allow students to develop scientific skills and processes, discover and
construct science concepts, and allow for the application of the concepts to the real lives of students.

006.48E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.48F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.49 Secondary English

006.49A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.49B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.49C Persons with this endorsement may teach secondary English courses such as English I, English II, English III, English IV, and Reading in grades 7 through 12.

006.49D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours of content and pedagogical content coursework in reading/literacy skills and strategies, writing, language, and literature.

006.49E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.49F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.50 Secondary Transition Specialist

006.50A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.50B Endorsement Type: Supplemental
Persons with this endorsement may teach, consult, or provide transition services for youth with verified disabilities in grades 7 through 12.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 18 graduate semester hours of coursework and clinical experience related to transition with emphasis on youth with disabilities, ages 14 through 21.

Endorsement Program requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Skilled and Technical Sciences Education

Grade Levels: 6-12

Endorsement Type: Field

Persons with this endorsement may teach Skilled and Technical Sciences Education and will be eligible for the Work-Based Learning endorsement.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 48 semester hours of course work in skilled and technical sciences education and professional education, including:

A minimum of six (6) semester hours of professional education course work to include content area methods, assessment, and facility design and management;

A minimum of six (6) semester hours in each of the following career fields: Architecture and Construction; Energy and Engineering; Manufacturing; and Transportation, Distribution and Logistics. The career field courses will include career information, first aid, and occupational and environmental safety;

A minimum of three (3) semester hours in the pedagogical content knowledge and principles of career and technical education; and

A minimum of three (3) semester hours of course work in coordination and supervision of work-based learning; and
006.51E  Work Experience: The endorsement is available only to those who have either (A) 1,000 verified hours of paid work experience relevant to the career field; or (B) at least 300 hours of supervised work experience relevant to the career field under the direction of the college or university recommending the endorsement.

006.51F  Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.52  Skilled and Technical Sciences Education – Skilled Specific

006.52A  Grade Levels: 9-12

006.52B  Endorsement Type: Supplemental. This endorsement requires an applicant to hold, or earn concurrently, an endorsement in Agricultural Education or Skilled and Technical Sciences Education and be eligible for the Work-Based Learning endorsement.

006.52C  Persons with this endorsement may teach Skilled and Technical Sciences Education – Skilled Specific in grades 9 through 12.

006.52D  Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires the following:

006.52D1  A minimum of 12 semester hours in one of the specific career fields listed below:

006.52D1a  Architecture and Construction Career Field:

006.52D1a(1) Architectural Design or
006.52D1a(2) Construction

006.52D1b  Energy and Engineering Career Field:

006.52D1b(1) Energy or
006.52D1b(2) Engineering or
006.52D1b(3) Project Lead The Way

006.52D1c  Manufacturing Career Field:

006.52D1c(1) Manufacturing or
006.52D1c(2) Welding
006.52D1d  Transportation, Distribution and Logistics
Career Field:

006.52D1d(1)  Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics Technician or
006.52D1d(2)  Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics Supply Chain

006.52D2  A minimum of one (1) semester hour of course work in the organization and management of SkillsUSA which includes chapter development, leadership development, individual skill development, and community service development.

006.52E  Work Experience:  The endorsement is available only to those persons who have either (A) 1,000 verified hours of paid work-based experience relevant to the career field, or (B) at least 300 hours of supervised work experience relevant to the career field under the direction of the college or university recommending the endorsement.

006.52F  Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.53  Social Science

006.53A  Grade Levels:  7-12

006.53B  Endorsement Type:  Field

006.53C  Persons with this endorsement may teach any social sciences course in grades 7 through 12.

006.53D  Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 60 semester hours of course work in the social sciences (Economics, Geography, History, Political Science, Psychology, and either Anthropology or Sociology). The 60 semester hours include a minimum of 21 semester hours in History, of which nine (9) must be in U.S. History and nine (9) in World History. There must be a minimum of six (6) semester hours in each of the remaining five social sciences areas (Economics, Geography, Political Science, Psychology, and either Anthropology or Sociology).

006.53E  Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement. The courses shall incorporate the
Nebraska social studies/history content standards found in 92 NAC 10 into the curriculum as applicable to the grade level endorsement.

006.53F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.54 Sociology

006.54A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.54B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.54C Persons with this endorsement may teach sociology in grades 7 through 12.

006.54D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 36 semester hours including 30 semester hours in sociology and six (6) semester hours in one or more of the other social sciences areas (Economics, Geography, History, Political Science, Psychology, and/or Anthropology).

006.54E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement. The courses shall incorporate the Nebraska social studies/history content standards found in 92 NAC 10 into the curriculum as applicable to the grade level endorsement.

006.54F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.55 Special Education Generalist

006.55A Grade Levels: K-6, 7-12; K-12

006.55B Endorsement Type: K-6 or 7-12 - Subject

006.55C Persons with this endorsement may teach and provide services in accordance with 92 NAC 51 for children and youth who have one or more verified disabilities.
006.55D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires:

006.55D1 For a Subject endorsement, kindergarten through grade six (K-6), or grades seven through twelve (7-12), a minimum of 42 semester hours is required, of which 30 semester hours must be special education content coursework; or

006.55D2 For a Field endorsement, kindergarten through grade 12 (K-12), a minimum of 51 semester hours is required, of which 36 semester hours must be special education content coursework.

006.55E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.55F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.56 Special Education Behavior Intervention Specialist

006.56A Grade Levels: Birth through Grade 12, PK-6, 7-12

006.56B Endorsement Type: Supplemental. This endorsement requires the applicant to have previously obtained a special education endorsement.

006.56C Persons with this endorsement may teach, consult, or provide services related to behavioral needs for children with disabilities, birth through age 21, grades PK-6, or grades 7-12.

006.56D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 18 graduate semester hours in behavior intervention strategies and closely related topics.

006.56D1 If a candidate does not hold a special education endorsement, a minimum of an additional 12 graduate semester hours in special education coursework is required.
Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Special Education Deaf or Hard of Hearing Education

Grade Levels: Birth through Grade 12, PK-6, 7-12

Endorsement Type: Subject

Persons with this endorsement may teach, consult, or provide services for children with hearing impairments from birth through age 21, PK-6, or 7-12. This includes deafness, hard of hearing, and hearing impairment associated with other disabilities.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires an applicant to hold, or earn concurrently, a regular teaching certificate with a subject or field endorsement and earn a minimum of 36 semester hours in special education courses, of which 12 semester hours are in general special education and 24 semester hours are in the education of children who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

Special Education Early Childhood Special Education

Grade Levels: Birth through Kindergarten

Endorsement Type: Subject

Persons with this endorsement may teach, coordinate, or serve as a consultant to programs for children, ages birth through kindergarten, with special developmental and/or learning needs as defined in Section 79-1118.01 R.R.S., and to support families and other personnel with responsibilities for their care and education.
006.58D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 30 graduate semester hours including a minimum of 12 graduate semester hours of course work in Early Childhood Education and a minimum of 18 graduate semester hours of course work in Early Childhood Special Education; and 100 clock hours of related field experiences.

006.58D1 Field experiences shall consist of a minimum of 100 clock hours working with young children, ages birth through kindergarten, including those with special developmental and/or learning needs. At least 20 clock hours will be spent assisting families and children with verified disabilities at each of the following levels: birth up to age three, ages three to five, and ages five to seven.

006.58E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.58F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

006.59 Special Education Early Intervention Specialist

006.59A Grade Levels: Birth through Prekindergarten

006.59B Endorsement Type: Supplemental. This endorsement requires the applicant to have, or earn concurrently, the Special Education Generalist endorsement at the K-6 or K-12 level.

006.59C Persons with this endorsement may teach, consult, or provide services for infants, toddlers, and preschool children, ages birth through prekindergarten, including those with verified disabilities, and support families and other personnel with responsibilities for their care and education.

006.59D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 21 semester hours, which must include a minimum of 15 semester hours in early childhood special education and a minimum of six (6) semester hours in typical early childhood development, and
006.59D1 A minimum of 160 clock hours of field experiences. Field experiences must be conducted in preschool settings which include home-based and center-based programs serving children who have verified disabilities, with their families, and other personnel responsible for their care and education. Of the 160 clock hours, a minimum of 80 clock hours must focus on children ages birth through two years of age and a minimum of 80 clock hours must focus on pre-school aged children, ages 3 through prekindergarten.

006.59E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.60 Special Education Functional Academic Skills and Independent Living Specialist

006.60A Grade Levels: Birth through Grade 12

006.60B Endorsement Type: Supplemental. This endorsement requires the applicant to have, or earn concurrently, the Special Education Generalist endorsement.

006.60C Persons with this endorsement may teach, consult, and provide services to children birth through 21 years of age, who have intellectual, sensory, and/or developmental disabilities, including Autism Spectrum Disorders.

006.60D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 15 semester hours in special education course work related to functional academic skills and independent living.

006.60E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.61 Special Education Inclusion and Collaboration Specialist

006.61A Grade Levels: PK-Grade 12

006.61B Endorsement Type: Supplemental. This endorsement requires the applicant to have previously obtained the Special Education Generalist endorsement.
006.61C Persons with this endorsement may teach, consult, or provide services for children, ages three through age 21, with verified disabilities.

006.61D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 15 graduate semester hours in inclusion and collaboration.

006.61E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.62 Special Education Visual Impairment

006.62A Grade Levels: Birth through Grade 12

006.62B Endorsement Type: Subject

006.62C Persons with this endorsement may teach, consult, and provide services to children with visual impairments from birth through age 21. This includes blindness, low vision (legal blindness and partial sight) and vision impairments associated with other disabilities.

006.62D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires an applicant to hold, or earn concurrently, a subject or field endorsement and complete a minimum of 36 additional semester hours in special education course work including six (6) semester hours in general special education, 24 semester hours in the education of students with visual impairment, and three (3) semester hours of field experience working with students who are visually impaired.

006.62E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.62F Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.
006.63 Speech

006.63A Grade Levels: 7-12

006.63B Endorsement Type: Supplemental

006.63C Persons with this endorsement may teach and direct, or act as a resource person for speech activities in grades 7 through 12.

006.63D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 15 semester hours in speech and communication courses, including an approved field experience.

006.63E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

006.64 Speech-Language Pathologist

006.64A Grade Levels: Birth through age 21

006.64B Endorsement Type: Field

006.64C Persons with this teaching endorsement may provide speech language pathology services to and consultative services for individuals from birth through age 21 or completion of their Individualized Education Program.

006.64D Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of a master’s degree in speech-language pathology which includes at least 36 graduate semester hours in speech-language pathology and course work in related areas. Applicants must complete a minimum of 400 clock hours of clinical experiences and an internship, supervised by the standard institution, in school and clinic settings.

006.64E Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.
Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

Theatre

Grade Levels: 7-12

Endorsement Type: Supplemental

Persons with this endorsement may teach and direct, or act as a resource person, for curricular and cocurricular activities in theatre in grades 7 through 12.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 18 semester hours in dramatic literature, history of the theatre, acting, stagecraft, costume and makeup, lighting, directing theatre productions, and theatre management, including an approved field experience.

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Vocal Music

Grade Levels: PK-12

Endorsement Type: Subject

Persons with this endorsement may teach vocal music in prekindergarten through Grade 12.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 45 semester hours in vocal music education. Vocal music course work will include theory, composition, arranging, improvisation, music history, applied music, ensemble performance, conducting, pedagogy, and technology.
Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

Vocational Special Needs

Grade Levels: 7-12
Endorsement Type: Supplemental
Persons with this endorsement may teach vocational education to students with disadvantages and/or disabilities in grades 7 through 12.

This endorsement is available for placement on a Nebraska certificate only for those individuals who held this endorsement prior to August 1, 2018. Nebraska institutions will not be able to recommend this endorsement for placement on a certificate as of August 1, 2018.

Work-Based Learning

Grade Levels: 9-12
Endorsement Type: Supplemental
Persons with this endorsement may coordinate, teach, and supervise programs of instruction that develop career and life skills.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of three (3) semester hours in the coordination and supervision of work-based learning.

Work Experience: This endorsement is available only to those who have either (A) 1,000 verified hours of paid work-based experience, or (B) at least 300 hours of supervised work experience under the direction of the college or university recommending the endorsement.
Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

World Language: Any language other than English, not including computer languages.

Grade Levels: K-8, 7-12, or K-12

Endorsement Type: Subject

Persons with this endorsement may teach at the grade levels and the world language(s) for which they have been prepared.

Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a minimum of 30 semester hours in the world language for either the K-8 or 7-12 endorsement. Those candidates seeking a K-12 endorsement must complete course work and clinical experiences which address elementary and secondary levels.

Upon successful completion of the Official American Council for the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and the Official ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test (WPT) at the Advanced-Low level of proficiency in the target languages of French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Portuguese, Russian, and/or Spanish, and at the Intermediate-High level for Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, and/or Korean, the Nebraska teacher education institutions may waive up to 15 hours of the 30 hours required in the world language.

Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.
007    Special Services Endorsements

007.01    Audiologist

  007.01A  Grade Levels: Birth through Grade 12

  007.01B  Endorsement Type: Special Services

  007.01C  Persons with this endorsement may serve as an audiologist or consultant for programs involving individuals from birth through age 21.

  007.01D  Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a current Nebraska license as a Registered Audiologist from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

007.02    School Nurse

  007.02A  Grade Levels: PK-12

  007.02B  Endorsement Type: Special Services

  007.02C  Persons with this endorsement may practice school nursing for students prekindergarten through grade 12.

  007.02D  Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires a current Nebraska license as a Registered Nurse from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services or another state participating in the Nurse Licensure Compact as defined in Section 71-1795 R.R.S.

007.03    Speech Language Technician

  007.03A  Grade Levels: Birth to age 21

  007.03B  Endorsement Type: Special Services

  007.03C  Persons with this endorsement may provide speech-language services for individuals from birth to age 21. The person must be supervised by a certified speech-language pathologist. The person may not fulfill the requirement(s) of a speech-language pathologist on a multi-disciplinary evaluation team or an individualized family service plan (IFSP) team or individual education plan (IEP) team.

  007.03D  Certification Endorsement Requirements: This endorsement requires the applicant to have completed a baccalaureate degree in communication disorders/speech-language pathology.
Limited Purpose: This endorsement may be placed only on the Nebraska Provisional Special Services Permit with validity, terms and renewal options as described for that permit in 92 NAC 21.

No Nebraska Standard Institution of Higher Education will be granted approval to offer a program of study leading to this endorsement.

Special Services Coaching

Grade Levels: 7-12

Endorsement Type: Special Services

The endorsement is valid only in the area of coaching extracurricular activities and may appear only on a special services permit.

The endorsement is valid only in the Nebraska school system requesting the issuance of such permit and requires:

Successful completion of the following content from a college with an approved teacher education program or from other organizations who provide instruction in the same content:

First aid, health and safety for coaches, and Fundamentals of coaching.
### APPENDIX A

**STATUS OF ENDORSEMENTS NO LONGER IN CHAPTER 24**

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AFFIRMATION OF ELIGIBILITY
PROVISIONAL SPECIAL EDUCATION ENDORSEMENT

This form must be submitted with a completed Application for a Nebraska Educator Certificate, the appropriate fee, and other required documents. EMPLOYMENT IS REQUIRED IN A NEBRASKA SCHOOL TO SUBMIT THIS FORM.

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**To be completed by the Superintendent:**

I, as Superintendent of the ____________

Schools, affirm that this school system has employed the person named above for the 20______ to 20______ school year and intend to assign him/her to a teaching position requiring a special education endorsement. I request the issuance of a Provisional Special Education Endorsement, which is valid for three years.

Signature of Superintendent __________________ Date ____________

**To be completed by Applicant:**

I affirm by my signature that:

- I have completed at least six (6) semester hours in special education at a state approved teacher education institution (name of institution) _________________________. The title of the courses completed are _________________________. and is verified by the attached transcript.

- I have established an approved program at a state approved teacher education institution (name of institution) _________________________. that will lead to the following special education endorsement (name of endorsement) _________________________. at the ____________ grade level.

- I have requested the Certification Officer at the approved teacher education institution to submit the appropriate form to the Nebraska Department of Education Teacher Certification Office, verifying the establishment of the approved program in special education.

- I agree to complete at least nine (9) semester hours of approved coursework before the August 31st deadline for which this endorsement is valid. I understand that my Provisional Special Education Endorsement shall not be renewed if I fail to complete this requirement.

Signature of Applicant** __________________ Date ____________

**Signature must be the same as on the Application for a Nebraska Certificate form.

*The requirement that a certificate applicant provide his/her social security number is contained in Neb. Rev. Stat. 79-810. The uses that will be made of this number are criminal background checks prior to issuance of a certificate and for purposes of data compilation and statistics concerning employment of graduates of state approved teacher education programs and employment of certificate holders.
## Nebraska Rule 24 Endorsements, Content Tests, and Passing Scores

Effective September 1, 2015: All candidates applying for certification in Nebraska must provide evidence they have taken the required subject content test and received the required passing score to have the endorsement placed on their Nebraska teaching certificate or permit for the first time.

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