

CVUSD

Board Policy

BP 4112.2

Personnel

Certification

The Governing Board recognized that the district's ability to provide a high-quality educational program is dependent upon the employment of certificated staff who are adequately prepared and have demonstrated proficiency in basic skills and in the subject matter to be taught. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that persons employed in positions requiring certification qualifications possess the appropriate credential, permit, or other certification document from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) and fulfill any additional state, federal or district requirements for the position.

- (cf. 4111 - Recruitment and Selection)
- (cf. 4112.21 - Interns)
- (cf. 4112.22 - Staff Teaching Students of Limited English Proficiency)
- (cf. 4112.23 - Special Education Staff)
- (cf. 4112.24 – Teacher Qualifications Under the No Child Left Behind Act)
- (cf. 4112.5/4312.5 – Criminal Record Check)
- (cf. 4113 - Assignment)
- (cf. 4121 - Temporary/Substitute Personnel)
- (cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)
- (cf. 6178 – Career Technical Education)
- (cf. 6200 – Adult Education)

The Superintendent or designee may provide assistance and support to teachers holding preliminary credentials to help them meet the qualifications required for the clear credential.

- (cf. 4131 – Staff Development)
- (cf. 4131.1 – Teacher Support and Guidance)

When a fully credentialed teacher is not available, the district may employ a person with a short-term staff permit or provisional internship permit under the conditions and limitations provided in state and federal law.

As necessary, all teachers of core academic subjects shall meet the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act. (20 USC 6319, 7801; 5 CCR 6100-6125)

- (cf. 4112.24 - Teacher Qualifications Under the No Child Left Behind Act)

Priorities for Hiring Based on Unavailability of Credentialed Teacher

The Superintendent or designee shall make reasonable efforts to recruit a fully prepared teacher for each assignment. Whenever a teacher with a clear of preliminary credential is not available, the Superintendent or designee shall make reasonable efforts to recruit an individual for the assignment in the following order: (Education Code 44225.7)

1. A candidate who is qualified to participate in and enrolls in an approved intern program in the region of the district

Note: Pursuant to Education Code 44225.7, next priority for filling a position should be for a candidate who is scheduled to complete preliminary credential requirements within six months, as provided in item #2 below. CTC Coded Correspondence 13-01 clarifies that such an individual must qualify for and obtain a provisional internship permit (PIP) or short-term staff permit (STSP).

Note: Pursuant to 5 CCR 80021-80021.1, the district may employ persons with an STSP when needed to immediately staff classrooms based on unforeseen circumstances, or a PIP when the district has conducted a diligent search but has been unable to recruit a credentialed teacher. As amended by Register 2013, No. 28, 5 CCR 80021.1 provides that the PIP shall be issued for one year and is not renewable. Each of these options requires the district to provide orientation, training, and/or guidance; see the accompanying administrative regulation.

2. A candidate who is scheduled to complete preliminary credential requirements within six months and who holds a provisional internship permit (PIP) or short-term staff permit issued by the CTC

Note: 5 CCR 80021.1 requires that a notice of intent to employ a person with a PIP be made public as described in the following paragraph. A copy of the agenda item and the Superintendent or designee's verification of the Governing Board's favorable action must be included as part of the application to the CTC along with other required verifications; see the accompanying administrative regular.

The Board shall approve, as an action item at a public Board meeting, a notice of its intent to employ a PIP applicant for a specific position. (5 CCR 80021.1)

Note: Pursuant to Education Code 44225.7, when the district is unable to recruit a credentialed teacher or a teacher who meets the qualifications specified in items #1-2 above, it may request that the CTC issue a "variable term" credential waiver (Education Code 44225; 5 CCR 80120-80125) or a long-term emergency permit (Education Code 44300; 5 CCR 80023-80026.6), as provided in item #3 below. The STSP and PIP have replaced multiple subject, single subject, and education specialist emergency permits, but the CTC continues to issue the emergency resource specialist permit (5 CCR 80024.3.1), emergency teacher librarian

services permit (5 CCR 80024.6), emergency crosscultural, language and academic development permit (5 CCR 80024.8), and emergency bilingual authorization permit (5 CCR 80024.7).

Note: Pursuant to 5 CCR 80023.1, as amended by Register 2013, No. 28, an emergency permit may be renewed for up to two additional one-year periods (for a maximum of three years of service).

3. As a last resort, an individual who holds an emergency permit issued by the CTC or for whom a credential waiver has been granted by the CTC

Note: Pursuant to 5 CCR 80023.2, 80026, and 80027-80027.1, the Board must annually approve a Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators prior to hiring a person with an emergency permit or a limited assignment permit to teach outside his/her area of certification. The form for the Declaration of Need is available in the CTC's online Credential Information Guide, which may be accessed only by employers. Pursuant to 5 CCR 80026, the Declaration of Need must be approved at a regularly scheduled public Board meeting and is valid for up to 12 months, expiring on June 30 following its submission to CTC.

Prior to requesting that the CTC issue an emergency permit pursuant to item #3 above or a limited assignment permit which allows a fully credentialed teacher to teach outside of his/her area of certification while working toward an added or supplementary authorization, the Board shall annually approve a Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators. The Declaration of Need shall be approved by the Board as an action item at a regularly scheduled public Board meeting, with the entire Declaration of Need being included in the Board agenda. (Education Code 44225, 44225.7; 5 CCR 80023.2, 80026, 80027, 80027.1)

The Declaration of Need shall certify that there is an insufficient number of certificated persons who meet the district's specified employment criteria for the position(s) and that the district has made reasonable efforts to recruit individuals who meet the qualifications specified in items #1-2 above. The Declaration of Need shall also indicate the number and type of emergency permits that the district estimates it will need during the valid period of the Declaration of Need, based on the previous year's actual needs and projections of enrollment. Whenever the actual number of permits needed exceeds the estimate by 10 percent, the Board shall revise and resubmit the Declaration of Need. (5 CCR 80026)

Whenever it is necessary to employ noncredentialed teachers to fill a position requiring certification qualifications, the Superintendent or designee shall provide support and guidance in accordance with law to ensure the quality of the instructional program.

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Certification

The Governing Board encourages district teachers to voluntarily seek additional certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards which demonstrates advanced knowledge and teaching skills.

The Superintendent or designee shall inform all teachers about the program and how to acquire the necessary application and information materials. In accordance with the collective bargaining agreement and the district budget, the Superintendent or designee may provide release time, fee support, a stipend upon completion, or other support to teachers participating in the program contingent upon funding.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

8360-8370 Qualifications of child care personnel

32340-32341 Unlawful issuance of a credential

35186 Complaints regarding teacher vacancy or misassignment

44066 Limitations on certification requirements

44200-44399.1 Teacher credentialing, especially:

44250-44277 Credential types; minimum requirements

44300-44302 Emergency permit

44325-44329 District interns

44330-44355 Certificates and credentials

44420-44440 Revocation and suspension of credentials

44450-44468 University intern program

44830-44929 Employment of certificated persons; requirement of proficiency in basic skills

56060-56063 Substitute teachers in special education

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

6100-6126 Teacher qualifications, No Child Left Behind Act

80001-80674.6 Commission on Teacher Credentialing

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6319 Highly qualified teachers

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

200.55-200.57 Highly qualified teachers

200.61 Parent notification regarding teacher qualifications

COURT DECISIONS

Association of Mexican-American Educators et. al. v. State of California and the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, (1993) 836 F.Supp. 1534

Management Resources:

COMMISSION ON TEACHER CREDENTIALING PUBLICATIONS

CL-667 Basic Skills Requirement

CL-856 Provisional Internship Permit

CL-858 Short-Term Staff Permit

13-01 Hiring Hierarchy in Education Code 44225.7, Coded Correspondence, January 30, 2013

Subject Matter Authorization Guideline Book, 2012

Supplementary Authorization Guideline Book, 2012

California Standards for the Teaching Profession, 2009

The Administrator's Assignment Manual, rev. September 2007

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

Commission on Teacher Credentialing: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov>

National Board of Professional Teaching Standards: <http://www.nbpts.org>

U.S. Department of Education: <http://www.ed.gov>

Policy Reference UPDATE Service

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