

SOUTH DAKOTA EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION RULES

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Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
Changes to Initial Certification Requirements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human Relations is required course. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human Relations will no longer be a required course for degree programs. Teacher preparation programs may continue to offer.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State-designated test to demonstrate pedagogical knowledge is required. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State-designated test to demonstrate pedagogical knowledge will be the PPAT (performance-based assessment). The PLT will continue to be accepted for the foreseeable future.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State-designated content test to determine competency for the content area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State-designated content test or 27 or more credits with a 2.75 GPA in a content specialization.
Name of Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typically referred to as a teacher/administrator/school service specialist certificate but no official name has been adopted. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate will be referred to as an Educator Certificate.
Certificate Descriptors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Level of academic preparation, including academic majors Validity of certificate Professional preparation Content/area authorization Age/grade span authorization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate type (i.e., teacher certificate, administrator certificate) Preparation type (elementary, secondary, alternative, etc.) Endorsement (content/area authorized to teach) Effective date of educator certificate Expiration date of educator certificate
Length of Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Five-Year Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awarded to an applicant who has met all certification or alternative certification requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Five-Year Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awarded to an applicant who has met all certification, alternative certification and renewal requirements.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ten-Year Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant who has completed an advanced degree or National Board may receive one ten-year certificate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ten-Year Certificate - No longer issued
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two-Year Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issued to someone working toward alternative certification. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two-Year Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alternative Preliminary Teacher Certificate; or Alternative Preliminary Administrator Certificate.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One-Year Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issued to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial applicants without six university transcribed credits within the past five years, content test, and pedagogy test or verification of experience; Applicants who have not met the requirements for the alternative certification program; Applicants who have not met the renewal requirements to update a lapsed certificate; or If additional time is needed to complete the renewal requirements for the 5-year or 10-year certificate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One-Year Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issued to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants for alternative teacher certificate (may receive two additional one-year certificates). Applicants for alternative administrator certificate (may receive four additional one-year certificates). Provisional Certificate for someone new to the state. Temporary Certificate for someone who must meet renewal requirements when moving from Inactive to Active certificate.

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Certificate Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Preparation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teacher ▪ Instructor (Stand-Alone) ▪ Administrator ▪ School Service Specialist 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificate Type <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teacher ▪ Administrator ▪ Education Specialist ▪ Alternative ▪ Provisional ▪ Temporary ▪ Educator Permit ▪ Inactive
Preparation Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level of Academic Preparation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Birth through Preschool Education Program ▪ Birth through Age Eight Early Childhood Program ▪ Birth through Age Eight Early Childhood and Birth through Age Eight Special Education Program ▪ K-8 Elementary Education Program ▪ K-8 Elementary Education/Special Education Program ▪ 5-8 Middle Level Education Program ▪ 7-12 Secondary Education Program ▪ 7-12 Career and Technical Education Program ▪ K-12 Education Program ▪ K-12 Special Education Program ▪ Administrator ▪ School Service Specialist 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation Type <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Early Childhood Preparation ▪ Secondary Preparation ▪ Career and Technical Education (CTE) Preparation ▪ K-12 Preparation ▪ Early Childhood Special Education Preparation ▪ Special Education Preparation ▪ Superintendent Preparation ▪ K-12 Principal Preparation ▪ Education Specialist Preparation ▪ Alternative Preparation ▪ Educator Permit

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Comparison of Preparation Types	Teachers	Teachers
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birth through Preschool Education Program • Birth through age Eight Early Childhood Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Childhood Birth through Third Grade
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-8 Elementary Education Program • K-8 Elementary Education W/5-8 Middle Level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elementary Preparation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7-12 Secondary Education Program • 7-12 Secondary Education W/ 5-8 Middle Level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary Preparation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5-8 Middle Level Education Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Middle level preparation will no longer be required. • Elementary and secondary preparation programs will include strands on adolescent psychology, appropriate for middle school teachers.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career and Technical Education Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career and Technical Education Preparation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Education Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Preparation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birth through Age Eight Early Childhood and Birth through Age Eight Special Education Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Childhood Birth through Third Grade Special Education Preparation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-8 Elementary Education/Special Education Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removing K-8 Special Education
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Special Education Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Special Education Preparation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Education Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Preparation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Education W/ 5-8 Middle Level 	
	Administrators	Administrators
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool through grade 12 Career Superintendent Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Superintendent
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool through Grade 12, Preschool through Grade Eight, or Grade 7 through Grade 12 Principal Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Principal
	School Service Specialists	Education Specialists
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool through grade 12 School Counselor Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Counselor
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool through grade 12 School Library Media Specialist 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Library Media Specialist moved to K-12 Teacher
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birth to age 21 School Psychologist Education Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Psychologist
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birth to age 21 School Speech/Language Pathologist Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deleted - Licensed by Department of Health
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool to grade 12 School Social Work Education Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deleted – Licensed by Social Worker Examiners
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool to Grade 12 Special Education Director Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Education Director
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool through Grade 12 Curriculum Director Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum Director
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birth to age 21 School Psychological Examiner <u>Endorsement</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Psychological Examiner
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Technology Integrationist <u>Endorsement</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technology Integrationist
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Technology Coordinator <u>Endorsement</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technology Coordinator
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentor Teacher
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentor School Counselor

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Levels of Certificates	Teachers	Teachers
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard – New teacher
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional – Five years or more teaching experience
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced – Five years or more teaching experience and master’s degree in an education-related field or National Board Certification.
	Administrators	Administrators
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard – New administrator
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional – Five years or more administrative experience
	School Service Specialists	Educator Specialists
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard • Advanced School Counselor – Five or more years of counseling experience and received National Board Certification for School Counselors.
Educator Permits (Those in bold are required to teach the specific subject or job responsibility for which they are assigned. Those not in bold are not required by rule to have the permit, however may be required by district employment policy.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previously referred to as "Stand-alone certificate," a certificate issued to an individual who is restricted to the area of authorization indicated on the certificate and cannot add additional authorizations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educator Permits are a type of certificate for individuals who qualify to teach in specific fields, have specific leadership roles, or assist teachers with classroom support. Endorsements may not be added to the permit unless the individual has completed the required preparation program.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lakota Languages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native American Lakota, Dakota, Nakota Language and Culture Permit • K-12 Eminent Scholar Lakota, Dakota, Nakota Language Permit 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior ROTC education endorsement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior ROTC Permit 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coach education endorsement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athletic Coaching Permit 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7-12 Driver Education Endorsement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Requires 8 semester hours of coursework 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Driver’s Education Permit* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Requires 8 semester hours of coursework; and ▪ Additional requirements regarding driving record. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Official Endorsement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Business Official Permit 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 American Sign Language Education Endorsement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sign off from SD School for the Deaf or equivalent institution: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proficiency in American Sign Language; ▪ Study and experience in deaf culture; and ▪ 60 contact hours in methodology of teaching ASL. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Sign Language Education Permit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Receives a score of intermediate or Level 3 on the Sign Language Proficiency Instrument; or ▪ Receives certification from the American Sign Language Teachers Association. 	

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	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SD Jobs for America’s Graduates Instructor Permit – Provided to non-educators to teach SDJAG coursework in grades 7-12. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bachelor’s degree or higher; and ▪ Completes a JAG training program.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing Artist Permit – Issued to performing artists in the fields of art, dance, drama and music (five-year non-renewable). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent; and ▪ Minimum of five years of experience in the field.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expert Lecturer Permit – Issued at the request of a district to individuals with distinctive qualifications (one-year renewable) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Master’s degree or higher; and ▪ Demonstrates a unique qualification and experience that enhances school and district programs.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Exchange Teacher Permit – Allows eligible teachers from other nations to teach in South Dakota schools for five years (five-year non-renewable) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must have a valid J1 or H1B Visa; ▪ Holds U.S. equivalent of a bachelor’s or higher; and ▪ Holds a foreign educator credential in a teaching field.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current rules require paraprofessionals paid with Title I funding to meet specific requirements. Paraprofessionals are not currently required to obtain certification. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Paid with Title I funds must meet the following requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Associate degree or higher; or ○ Completed 48 semester hours; or ○ High school diploma or equivalent and pass the state-designated test. ▪ Paraprofessionals paid with another funding source. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paraprofessional Permit* – results in the ability to check for conduct and fitness issues and, if required, suspend or revoke the certificate so the individual cannot move from one school district to another. This will hold paraprofessionals to the same conduct and fitness requirements as teachers and administrators. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Standard Paraprofessional Permit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent; or ○ At least 18 years of age (without a high school diploma or equivalent) and passed the state-designated test. ▪ Advanced Paraprofessional Permit (Title I funding) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Associate degree or higher; or ○ Completed 48 semester hours; or ○ High school diploma or equivalent and pass the state approved Paraprofessional test.

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<p>Philosophy of Adding Endorsements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individuals with elementary preparation can add endorsements for secondary and K-12 areas based on content test or coursework. There are, however, restrictions for those with middle school and secondary preparations wanting to add elementary endorsements K-8. • When content test results are received, endorsements are automatically added to a certificate even if they have not been requested. This can result in teachers having endorsements they do not want added to the certificate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those with early childhood or elementary preparation may add endorsements at the high school level by demonstrating content knowledge and pedagogy*. Content knowledge is critical. • Those with secondary preparation may add endorsements for grades 5 – 8 by demonstrating content and pedagogy. Pedagogical knowledge is critical. Early childhood and grades K-4 cannot be added. • The certificate holder must request an endorsement to be added to a certificate.
<p>Determining Assignments Eligible to Teach</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certification to teach assignments depends on school type, preparation type, endorsements, etc. There are differences between certification and HQ requirements for the same assignment. Special education teachers must take the high school content test(s) to teach at the high school level. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignments will be directly tied to an endorsement. The first determination is the preparation and then, based on the preparation, endorsements may be added. The new system simplifies how to add an endorsement and the endorsement required to teach an assignment. School structure no longer dictates whether someone is authorized to teach a subject.
<p>Endorsement Requirements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have a valid teacher or administrator certificate to issue an endorsement. • Must prove content knowledge through state-designated test or coursework. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have a valid teacher, administrator, education specialist or specific educator permit to be issued an endorsement. • Must prove content knowledge through state-designated test, specific coursework, or a content specialization (major). • Content specialization requires a minimum of 27 credit hours in the content area with a minimum 2.75 GPA. • Competency for early childhood, self-contained elementary assignments (1st grade, 2nd grade, etc.), and K-4th grade assignments must be demonstrated through the state-designated test.

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Early Childhood Endorsements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have early childhood coursework and pass the early childhood content test. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those with early childhood preparation must pass the early childhood content test. • Those with elementary preparation must pass the early childhood pedagogy test and the early childhood content test or coursework. • Those with a secondary and K-12 preparation must obtain the early childhood preparation.
Elementary Endorsements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School structure dictates whether someone is certified to teach at an elementary or middle school, even if it is the same assignment. • Competency is demonstrated by the average score of the elementary content test which includes questions on math, science, social science and English language arts. • Currently to teach grades 5-8, the applicant must take individual content exams for each content area. • If someone has an early childhood preparation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ They may teach grades K-3 self-contained and subject specific content areas grades K-3. ▪ To teach self-contained grades 4 – 8 they must complete the elementary preparation program and the elementary content test. ▪ To teach subject specific grades 5 – 8 they would need to receive the middle level endorsement in addition to passing the content test for each area. • If someone has a K-12 preparation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To teach grades K-8 self-contained or grades K-4 subject specific they must complete the elementary preparation; and ▪ To teach subject specific grades 5 – 8 they would need to receive the middle level endorsement in addition to passing the content test for each area. • If someone has a 7-12 preparation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To teach grades K-8 self-contained they must complete the elementary preparation. ▪ To teach subject specific grades 5 -8 they would need to receive the middle level endorsement in addition to passing the content test for each area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School structure will not dictate whether someone is considered certified to teach at an elementary or middle school. • Competency is demonstrated by the elementary education multi-subject content test. The test allows cut scores to be set for each of the subject areas in addition to an average score. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Math ▪ Science ▪ Social Science ▪ English Language Art ▪ Average score for all four areas • If the applicant has an elementary preparation and passes all four subject areas they may receive endorsements for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grades K-8 self-contained; and ▪ Grades K-8 subject-specific courses including Math, Science, Social Science and English Language Arts. • If the applicant has a secondary or K-12 preparation and passes all four subject areas they may receive endorsements for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grades 5-8 self-contained; and ▪ Grades 5-8 subject specific courses including Math, Science, Social Science and English Language Arts. • If the applicant has an early childhood preparation and passes all four subject areas and the appropriate state-designated pedagogy test, they may receive endorsements for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grades K-8 self-contained; and ▪ Grades K-8 subject specific courses including Math, Science, Social Science and English Language Arts.

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<p>Intermediate Endorsements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each of the specific content areas require a specific content test at the high school level, resulting in teachers taking multiple tests to teach, for example, Biology, Physical Science, and Earth Science. • An Intermediate Math Endorsement was added recently. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows someone to teach middle school and “lower level” high school subject-specific courses without passing the high school content test. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Intermediate Math Endorsement (middle school math, high school Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II) through passage of the state-designated middle school math test. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Early childhood or elementary preparation must also pass the 7-12 state-designated pedagogy test. ▪ Intermediate English Language Arts (Literature, Composition, and Grammar) through passage of the composite English Language Art Content Knowledge test. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Early childhood and elementary prepared teachers must also pass the 7-12 state-designated pedagogy test. ▪ Intermediate Science (Biology, Physical Science, Earth Science) through passage of a composite science test. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Early childhood and elementary prepared teachers must also pass the 7-12 state-designated pedagogy test. ▪ Intermediate Social Science (History, Political Science, Geography) through passage of a composite social studies test. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Early childhood and elementary prepared teachers must also pass the 7-12 state-designated pedagogy test.
<p>Advanced Endorsements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All high school courses required passage of the individual content test or a master’s degree in the content area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows someone to teach middle school, “lower level” and “higher level” subject specific courses by demonstrating content knowledge through the high school content knowledge test or a major in content.

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<p>K-12 Endorsements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 endorsements may currently be added through a content test and/or coursework. Those with an elementary preparation may add the specific K-12 endorsement and teach the subject areas at a high school. There is no required demonstration of pedagogy. • Examples of K-12 endorsements apply to the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Art ▪ Health ▪ Physical Education ▪ Music Education ▪ World Languages ▪ Computers ▪ Gifted • K-12 Gifted Education endorsement must be added through 12 semester hours of coursework. • K-12 Library Media Specialist requires 18 semester hours of coursework and a practicum or internship for K-12 learners. It may also be issued as a stand-alone certificate. • K-12 English as a New Language endorsement requires 18 semester hours of coursework and a practicum or internship for K-12 learners. It may be issued as a stand-alone certificate if the applicant has a bachelor's degree in education. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 endorsements will continue to be added to certificates by passage of the content test and/or coursework. • If someone is elementary prepared and wants to add the K-12 endorsement, they must also demonstrate pedagogy.* • If someone is secondary prepared and wants to add the K-12 endorsement to teach at the elementary level, they must also demonstrate pedagogy. • Some K-12 endorsements will be broken out into elementary and secondary to allow, for example, an elementary teacher to easily add the endorsement without requiring the state-designated pedagogy test to demonstrate pedagogy at the secondary level. This also includes secondary teachers who want to add the endorsement for the secondary level but not at the elementary. Examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Elementary Art ▪ Secondary Art • Individuals with a K-12 preparation will receive both the elementary and secondary endorsements. • K-12 Gifted Education endorsement may be added through passage of a content test or 12 semester hours of coursework. The teacher must demonstrate K-12 pedagogical knowledge through a practicum or pedagogy test if not K-12 prepared. • K-12 School Librarian endorsement may be added through passage of a content test or 18 semester hours of coursework. The teacher must demonstrate K-12 pedagogical knowledge through a practicum or pedagogy test if not K-12 prepared. This endorsement may not be issued as a stand-alone certificate or Educator Permit. • K-12 English as a New Language endorsement may be added through passage of a content test or 18 semester hours of coursework. The teacher must demonstrate K-12 pedagogical knowledge through a practicum or pedagogy test if not K-12 prepared.

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<p>Special Education Endorsements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birth through preschool special education endorsement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To add this endorsement to an existing teaching certificate, the applicant must complete the preparation program or add the birth through preschool special education endorsement by completing 18 semester credits, including a three semester hour practicum specific to birth through preschool special education and the state-designated content test. ▪ Endorsement limited to only birth through age 5. ▪ Program includes early childhood special education through third grade. • Grade K through grade 8, grade 7 through grade 12, and grade K through grade 12 special education endorsement. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To add this endorsement the applicant must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Have one year of experience and a 3 credit hour practicum and passage of the state-designated content test; and ○ K-8 special education – 26 semester hours of special education coursework; or ○ 7-12 special education – 26 semester hours of special education coursework; or ○ K-12 special education – 27 semester hours of special education coursework. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Childhood Special Education Birth through Grade Three Endorsement. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If the applicant has a special education preparation or endorsement, the early childhood special education endorsement may be added by passing the early childhood pedagogy test and the special education pre-school/early childhood content test. ▪ Individuals with other preparation types must complete the early childhood preparation program, endorsement or complete the special education alternative certification program. • K-12 Special Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individuals with an early childhood special education preparation or endorsement may add the K-12 special education endorsement by passing the 7-12 pedagogy test and the special education content test. ▪ Individuals with another preparation type must complete the K-12 special education program, endorsement or complete the special education alternative certification program. ▪ Individuals with a K-12 special education preparation may add early childhood special education by passing the early childhood pedagogy test and the early childhood special education test.
<p>New Endorsements</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intermediate Endorsements (as described on page 8) • K-12 Reading Endorsement • K-12 Chinese Language Endorsement
<p>New Content Tests Available to Add Endorsements</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computer Science • Gifted Education • Library Media Specialist • SPED: Education of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students • SPED: Teaching Students with Visual Impairments • English to Speakers of Other Languages • General Sciences • Social Studies Content Knowledge • School Counselor

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Education Specialist Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool through Grade 12 School Counselor Education Program. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Requires a Master’s degree in school counseling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Counselor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Completion of the School Counselor preparation program; or ▪ Completion of a master’s degree or higher in counseling and passage of the state-designated counselor test and one year of supervision by department-recognized mentor school counselor.
	<p>N/A</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentor School Counselor Endorsement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meets the requirements of a school counselor and has three or more years of experience as a school counselor.
	<p>N/A</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentor Teacher Endorsement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meets the requirements of a professional or advanced teaching certificate.
Superintendent Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool through Grade 12 Career School Superintendent Program requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Completion of an education specialist or doctoral degree; ▪ Three years of verified experience on a valid certificate which must include at least one year of classroom teaching experience; and ▪ Internship. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School District Superintendent Endorsement requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Completion of the superintendent preparation program; and ▪ State-designated education leadership test. <p>(See also alternative certification route for superintendents--described in alternative certification section.)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool through Grade 12 School Superintendent Endorsement requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Master’s degree, plus 15 graduate semester hours; ▪ Three years of verified experience on a valid certificate which must include at least one year of classroom teaching experience; and ▪ State-designated test. ▪ Valid for 10 years then must be removed from certificate if the superintendent preparation program is not completed. 	

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<p>Principal Requirements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Preschool through Grade 12, Preschool through Grade 8, or Grade 7 through Grade 12 Principal Program requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Master’s degree in education; ○ Three years of verified experience which must include one year of classroom teaching experience; ○ Demonstrated competence related to age/grade span; and ○ Internship. ▪ Stand-Alone Principal Program (same as Principal Program with exception of verified experience) requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Master’s degree in education; ○ Pass the state-designated content test; ○ Demonstrated competence related to age/grade span; and ○ Internship. ▪ Preschool through Grade 8, Grade 7 through Grade 12, or Preschool through Grade 12 Principal Endorsement requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Educational bachelor’s degree; ○ 15 graduate semesters hours of coursework; ○ Practicum or internship; and ○ Three years of verified experience which must include one year of classroom teaching experience or direct services to students or passing the state-designated principal test. ○ Valid for five years then must be removed from certificate if the principal preparation program is not completed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Principal Endorsement requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Completion of the Principal Preparation Program; and ▪ State-designated education leadership test. <p>(See also alternative certification route for principals--described in alternative certification section.)</p>
<p>Assistant Superintendent and Principal Requirement</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistant Superintendent and Assistant Principals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Assistant superintendent and assistant principal are not currently available as an endorsement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistant Superintendent and Assistant Principals* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must meet same requirements as a superintendent or principal. Since this is an increase in requirements, there will be a two-year delay in implementation of these requirements.

Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
Alternative Certification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once an individual meets the requirements of the alternative certification program, they receive a five-year teaching certificate. • Cannot be granted for elementary or special education. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once an individual meets the requirements of the alternative certification program, they receive a five year standard teaching certificate and the preparation is reflected as alternative preparation. • Cannot be granted for K-4 or special education.
Alternative Certification for Teachers	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternative Preliminary Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must have an alternative preliminary certificate prior to being hired by a school district and to be eligible for the Alternative certification program. ▪ Must have a bachelor's degree or higher. ▪ Two-year renewable certificate.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Granted a two-year certificate and may be issued a one-year certificate to persons who have not met coursework requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Requirements for Alternative Certification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Granted a one-year alternative certificate which must be renewed each year based on district recommendation. The certificate may be renewed up to two times.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bachelor's degree or higher with minimum GPA of 2.5. ▪ Must have offer of employment from a school district. ▪ Degree must have been obtained two years prior to admittance to the alternative certification program. ▪ College major in subject area to be taught or 5 years of experience in a related field. ▪ Passing score on the content test. ▪ Receive a passing score on the state-designated certification exams for each certified area and the state-designated pedagogy exam. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must have an alternative preliminary certificate. ▪ Must have an offer of employment from a school district. ▪ Bachelor's degree or higher. ▪ No GPA requirement. ▪ Must have a major in content taught or pass the state-designated content test in that area during the first year. ▪ Must pass pedagogy exam during first year.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Responsibilities/Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Complete a screening interview. ▪ Provide a district mentorship and orientation program ▪ Recommend candidate for certification. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Responsibilities/Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Offer a mentoring program. ▪ Review Code of Ethics and district evaluation system with the applicant. ▪ Provide confirmation of rehire.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course Requirements to Move to a Teaching Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 12 transcribed credits in the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Six transcribed credits in the area of pedagogy; ○ Three credit South Dakota Indian Studies course; and ○ Three credit course in Human Relations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course requirements to Move to a Teaching Certificate* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 15 transcribed credits in the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Classroom Management; ○ Teaching Methods and differentiated instruction; ○ Student Assessment; ○ Adolescent Psychology; and ○ South Dakota Indian Studies.

Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
Teach For America Alternative Certification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Granted a two-year certificate and may be issued a one-year certificate to persons who have not met coursework requirements. ▪ Inclusive of K-8, 7-12, and K-12 courses. Cannot be issued for special education. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Granted a one-year certificate which must be renewed each year based on district recommendation. The certificate may be renewed up to two times. ▪ Inclusive of elementary, secondary, and K-12 courses. Cannot be issued for special education.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hold a bachelor's degree or higher; ▪ Maintained an overall grade point average of 2.5 or higher. ▪ Submits to a criminal background investigation. ▪ Adheres to the Code of Professional Ethics. ▪ Completes a screening interview with Teach For America and an interview with the school district. ▪ Completes the intensive TFA application process and is accepted into the TFA program. ▪ Must pass the content and pedagogy tests for the subject area teaching by July 1st after the second year of teaching. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Holds a bachelor's degree or higher; ▪ Accepted into the TFA program; ▪ Completes a screening interview with TFA and an interview with the school district; ▪ Adheres to the Code of Professional Ethics; ▪ Participates in the pre-service summer training institute provided by TFA; ▪ Participates in the local regional orientation at the assigned school district; ▪ Participates in the TFA or Department approved mentorship program; and ▪ Must have a major in content area that will be taught or pass the state-designated content test prior to the first renewal of the certificate.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Responsibilities/Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Complete a criminal background check. ▪ Review Code of Ethics and district evaluation system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Responsibilities/Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Complete a criminal background check. ▪ Offer a mentoring program or ensure candidate participates in the TFA mentoring program. ▪ Review Code of Ethics and district evaluation system with the applicant. ▪ Provide confirmation of rehire.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course Requirements to Move to a Teaching Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 12 transcribed Credits in the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Six transcribed credits in the area of pedagogy; ○ Three credit South Dakota Indian Studies course; and ○ Three credit course in Human Relations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course requirements to Move to a Teaching Certificate* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 15 transcribed credits in the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Classroom Management; ○ Teaching Methods and differentiated instruction; ○ Student Assessment; ○ Adolescent Psychology; and ○ South Dakota Indian Studies.

Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
Special Education Alternative Certification	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose is to allow general education teachers an alternative pathway to receive the special education endorsement. This allows the teacher to complete the coursework and practicum while serving as a special education teacher.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must have three years of teaching experience. ▪ Support from district to complete the on-the-job practicum.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requirements to receive the Special Education Endorsement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pass the state-designated pedagogy test; ▪ Pass the state-designated special education content test; ▪ Complete a year-long practicum; and ▪ Complete nine hours of coursework in the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Special education law; ○ Assessment; and ○ Special education-related course of their choosing.
Administrator Alternative Certification	Administrator Alternative Certification is offered now as the Plan of Intent option.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once an individual meets the requirements of the alternative certification program, they receive a five-year standard administrator certificate and the preparation is reflected as alternative preparation.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternative Preliminary Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must have an alternative preliminary administrator certificate to be hired by a school district and be eligible for the alternative certification administrator program. ▪ Must have a bachelor's degree or higher. ▪ Two-year renewable certificate.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Requirements for Administrator Alternative Certification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Granted a one-year certificate which must be renewed each year based on district recommendation. May be renewed up to four times.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Assigns a mentor or coach with expertise and school administrator experience to support the employee; ▪ Review the South Dakota Code of Ethics; ▪ Provide training on the district administrator and teacher evaluation system; ▪ Conducts a background check on the employee; and ▪ Following each school year provide confirmation of rehire.

Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
Administrator Alternative Certification Continued	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must have a Master’s degree or higher and three or more years of experience in a management or leadership role in a business or district setting or employed as a teacher with a leadership role in the district. ▪ Passed the state-designated superintendent test. ▪ Pass the state-designated pedagogy test. ▪ Requirements to move to a Standard Administrator Certificate with a superintendent endorsement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Complete 21 transcribed credit hours with a C or higher in the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Leadership and District Culture; ▪ Organizational Management; ▪ Values and Ethics of Leadership; ▪ Educational Policy and Law; ▪ Communication; ▪ Community Relations; ▪ Curriculum Planning and Development; ▪ School Finance; ▪ Instructional Management; and ▪ South Dakota Indian Studies;
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal/Assistant Principal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Completed a state-approved teacher education program or alternative certification program. ▪ Must have three or more years of teaching experience. ▪ Passed the state-designated school leadership test. ▪ Requirements to move to a Standard Administrator Certificate with a principal endorsement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Complete 18 transcribed credit hours with a C or higher in the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Instructional Leadership; ▪ Cognitive coaching/facilitation skills; ▪ Creating a safe and inclusive school environment; ▪ Process Management; ▪ Systems Management; and ▪ Educational Policy and Law; and ▪ South Dakota Indian Studies.

Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
Renewal Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewal cycle of a certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All certificates expire on July 1st of the year of expiration. ▪ Lapsed certificate is a certificate that has not been renewed within 90 days of the expiration date. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewal cycle of a certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All certificates expire on July 1st of the year of expiration. ▪ A certificate becomes invalid if all renewal requirements have not been met by October 1st. ▪ An additional one year certificate will no longer be granted for those who do not meet the renewal requirements by October 1st (refer to Invalid Certification section).
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewal Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificates may be renewed for a five-year period upon receipt of a completed application, fee, and official documentation verifying completion of six credits. • Applicants who have not met the renewal requirements may receive a one-year certificate to give them time to meet the requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewal Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Certificates may be renewed upon receipt of a completed application, fee, and official documentation verifying completion of six credits. ▪ State statute requires all applicants to meet a minimum of one clock hour of suicide awareness and prevention training. This includes issuance of an initial or renewal certificate as a teacher, administrator, or other education professional. • Applicants who do not meet the renewal requirements will no longer receive an additional year to meet the requirements. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hardship modification rule created to allow the Department of Education to extend a certificate for an additional year if the applicant has an extreme hardship, such as a serious illness. This option will require documentation from the applicant. ▪ Any educator called to active military duty while the certificate is valid shall have the certificate re-issued at no cost and will not be required to meet credit requirements.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewal requirements include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Those with no degree beyond a bachelor's must have a minimum of three transcribed credits and three continuing education contact hours. ▪ Those with an advanced degree may renew with any combination of credits. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard Teaching Certificate Renewal requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minimum of three transcribed credits and three additional credits which can be transcribed or continuing education contact hours; or ▪ Participation as a mentee in the state-approved mentor program for at least two of the past five years; or ▪ National Board certification or recertification.
	<p>N/A</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Teaching Certificate Renewal requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minimum of three transcribed credits and three additional credits which can be transcribed or continuing education contact hours; or ▪ Participation as a mentor in the state-approved mentor program for at least two of the past five years; or ▪ National Board certification or recertification.

Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
Renewal Requirements Continued	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Teaching Certificate requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Any combination of six transcribed credits and continuing education contact hours; or ▪ Participation as a mentor in the state-approved mentor program for at least two of the past five years; or ▪ National Board certification or recertification.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard Administrator Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Any combination of six transcribed credits and continuing education contact hours.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Administrator Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Any combination of six transcribed credits and continuing education contact hours.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternative Preliminary Teaching or Administrator Certificate requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One clock hour of Suicide Awareness and Prevention training.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternative Teaching or Administrator Certificates (all types) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Progress toward meeting requirements of the coursework; and ▪ Employing school district recommends renewal; and ▪ Completion of one clock hour of Suicide Awareness and Prevention training.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education Specialists requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Any combination of six transcribed credits and continuing education contact hours.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inactive Certificate requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One clock hour of Suicide Awareness and Prevention training. ▪ Inactive Certificate holder returning to an active certificate must meet renewal requirements for that certificate. A one-year temporary certificate may be given to the applicant during which time all requirements must be met.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educator Permits require (unless otherwise specified): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Any combination of six transcribed credits and continuing education contact hours. ▪ Athletic Coaching Permit requires completion of First Aid, Health and Safety for Coaches every two years, Concussion in Sports annually, and Fundamentals of Coaching. ▪ CEO Permit renewal requirements are the same as a Standard Administrator.

Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
Lapsed Certificates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificates expire on July 1st. The certificate becomes lapsed if the certificate holder has not met all renewal requirements within 90 days of the expiration date. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificates expire on July 1st if the renewal application and fee are not submitted online or postmarked before July 1st of the year of expiration. The certificate becomes invalid if the certificate holder has not met all renewal requirements before October 1st.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Penalty for allowing a certificate to expire <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Considered expired. ▪ Must meet renewal requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Penalty for allowing a certificate to expire <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Considered expired. ▪ To renew certificate: additional fee of \$25 for allowing certificate to expire in addition to meeting renewal requirements.*
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Penalty for allowing a certificate to become Lapsed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The certificate holder is considered non-certified. ▪ To renew the lapsed certificate, the renewal requirements increase to six transcribed credits. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Increase of three transcribed credits for those with a bachelor's degree. ○ Increase of six transcribed credits for those with a master's degree or higher. ○ Those applicants who did not previously have to complete a Human Relations course must now meet this requirement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Penalty for allowing a certificate to become Invalid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The certificate holder is considered non-certified. ▪ To renew certificate: additional fee of \$100 for allowing certificate to become invalid in addition to meeting renewal requirements. ▪ The renewal requirements remain the same and do not increase the number of transcribed credits required. This is estimated to save the applicant the cost of the additional transcribed credits in addition to the time to take the courses.

Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
<p>Reciprocity</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individuals from out-of-state applying for a South Dakota certificate must meet South Dakota certification requirements including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must have sign-off for an approved education program; ▪ Pass the South Dakota state-designated content test; ▪ Verification of experience or pass the state designated pedagogy test; ▪ South Dakota Indian Studies; and ▪ Human Relations. • Out-of-state applicants may receive a 1-year certificate if they complete the application, pay the fee, and provide official transcripts and program sign-off. • To receive a 5-year certificate, they must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meet the 1-year requirements; ▪ Pass the state-designated content tests; ▪ Provide verification of experience or passage of the South Dakota state-designated pedagogy test; ▪ Provide six university transcribed credits in the past five years; and ▪ Completion of the three credit South Dakota Indian Studies and Human Relations courses. • According to ARSD 24:15:03:11, applicants from out-of-state with National Board Certification may receive a ten-year certificate valid from the date of obtaining National Board Certification. Renewal of the initial ten-year certificate requires completion of the South Dakota Indian Studies Course or renewal requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility for Reciprocity based on completion of Approved Program through a regionally accredited university <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must demonstrate they have received a valid “full certificate” in another state; ▪ Provide verification of successful student teaching or equivalent; and ▪ Holds an out-of-state certificate exclusive of a temporary, emergency, substitute, or provisional certificate which is the equivalent to the South Dakota Educator Certificate.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility for Reciprocity based on completion of Alternative Certification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must have <u>completed</u> the alternative certification program in another state; ▪ Provides verification of three years of experience within the last five years; and ▪ Holds an out-of-state-certificate exclusive of a temporary, emergency, substitute, or provisional certificate which is the equivalent to the South Dakota Educator Certificate.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exclusion to Reciprocity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If the applicant does not meet requirements based on completion of approved program or alternative certification program in another state, then must meet all South Dakota requirements to receive certificate.

Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
Reciprocity Continued	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endorsements added to certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Preparations and endorsements for applicants who meet the requirements will be awarded based on a comparison of the out-of-state certificate and South Dakota endorsements. The corresponding South Dakota endorsements will be awarded to the applicant. No additional content or pedagogy requirements apply. ▪ If the applicant is seeking additional endorsements not included on the out-of-state certificate, the applicant must meet South Dakota requirements to add the endorsement. ▪ If the applicant does not have an active out-of-state certificate, an endorsement may be added only if the applicant has a major in content or passes the required South Dakota content test. ▪ If the applicant received National Board Certification within the past ten years, the corresponding endorsement may be added to the certificate. ▪ If the applicant has a categorical special education endorsement, the applicant must pass the state-specific content test for a K-12 special education endorsement. ▪ If the applicant has a K-8 special education endorsement, the applicant must have a minimum of one year of teaching experience as a secondary teacher or pass the state-designated pedagogy test for the secondary level to add the K-12 special education endorsement.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must pass the South Dakota Indian Studies course (see provisional certificate); and ▪ Must complete one clock hour of suicide awareness and prevention training.
	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisional Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ An applicant who meets all requirements for reciprocity but has not taken and passed the South Dakota Indian Studies course may receive a provisional certificate one-year certificate. ▪ A provisional certificate may be renewed one time.

Significant Changes	Current Rules	New Rules
Certification Fees	\$25 One Year Certificate \$33 Two Year Certificate \$51 Five Year Certificate \$86 Ten Year Certificate \$33 Any action requested by the holder which warrants review of the certification records or issuance of a new certificate.	\$25 One Year Temporary Certificate \$35 One Year Out of State Provisional Certificate \$20 Two Year Alternative Preliminary Certificate \$60 Five Year Initial or Renewal Certificate \$25 Five Year Inactive Certificate \$25 Five Year Educator Permit \$25 One Year Alternative Certification Certificate \$35 Adding an endorsement(s) based on state-designated test \$50 Adding an endorsement(s) based on transcript analysis \$25 Duplicate Certificate \$25 Fee for having an expired Educator Certificate \$100 Fee for having an Invalid Educator Certificate \$25 Conversion to Professional or Advanced Certificate not during renewal \$25 Paper Application (covers administrative processing costs)
OTHER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The majority of the new rules are not an increase in requirements. If, however, there is an increase in requirements, there will be a two-year delay before they become effective. (*) signifies an increase in requirements. Examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Certification requirements for assistant superintendents and assistant principals; ▪ Certification requirements for paraprofessionals; ▪ Pedagogy tests for those who have an elementary preparation and want to add a secondary endorsement; and ▪ Additional coursework for Alternative Certification. • Transition to New Certification Rules <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Current certificates shall remain valid for the period for which the certificate is issued. ▪ Any endorsements placed on an existing certificate will be transitioned to the corresponding new endorsement and allows the certificate holder to teach the same courses as the previous endorsements. ▪ A certificate holder with an invalid certificate on July 1, 2017, who has not been granted two one-year certificates, may be granted a one-year temporary certificate to meet renewal requirements or request an inactive certificate. ▪ Special education teachers who have passed 0146/5146 Praxis test prior to July 1, 2017, will have K-8 self-contained (1st grade, 2nd grade, etc.), and K-8 subject-specific endorsements added to their certificates in the areas of math, social science, science and English language arts. • Career and Technical Education (CTE) rules updated last year will be incorporated into the new chapter. 	