Which Initial Application Should I Select?

I graduated from a South Dakota University and completed an educator preparation program leading to certification

I want to become a South Dakota:

- Teacher
- Administrator
- Education Specialist (i.e. SPED director, school psychologist, counselor, etc.)

Apply using the Initial Educator Application

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I graduated from a state other than South Dakota and completed an:

- educator preparation program; or
- alternative certification program

I want to become a South Dakota:

- Teacher
- Administrator
- Education Specialist (i.e. school psychologist, school counselor, SPED director, etc.)

Apply using the Out-of-State Initial Application

(Click Here)

I am from another country and completed an education preparation program out of country

I have the following:

- Valid Visa
- Hold an educator certificate from another country
- Transcript Evaluation from an Approved foreign credential transcript evaluation agency that reflects completion of an education program

Apply using the Out-of-Country Initial Application

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I have not completed an educator preparation program

I have a bachelor's degree or higher

OR

I have one of the following in a related CTE field

- Associate of applied science
- 4000 hours work experience
- National certification

Apply using the Alternative Preliminary Initial Application

(Click Here)

I want to request ONLY one of the following based on my special skills and/or coursework:

- American Sign Language Instructor
- Athletic Coaching
- Braille Education
- CTE Instructor Permit
- Drivers Education Instructor
- Eminent Scholar Lakota, Dakota, Nakota Language and Culture Permit
- Native American Language Lakota, Dakota, Nakota Language and Culture Permit
- Expert Lecturer
- Junior ROTC
- Performing Artist
- CEO
- School Business Official

Apply using the Educator Permit ONLY Initial Application

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