

# Valid Credentials: General Rules

## Introduction

This document is designed to assist districts in implementing the requirements and in ensuring that PreK-12 educators are assigned to classes they are validly credentialed to teach. It identifies the credentials required for teaching specific courses. Teachers are to hold one of the credentials identified in this document for each course they teach.

## Elementary Credentials

Courses in the elementary grade range, other than PE, do not appear in this document, because a general rule for elementary credentials applies to all such courses. The general rule for elementary credentials, including Kindergarten-Primary (KP), Kindergarten-Elementary (KE), Elementary (EL), Early Childhood (EC), Primary (PF), and endorsements extending the grade range of EC credentials, allows the teachers who hold these credentials to teach any course within the relevant grade range. An exception to this rule is for those initially hired on or after July 1, 2013, to teach physical education. These teachers must be licensed in PE and are included in this document.

## Community School Courses

Courses that are taught at a community school, with the exception of special education courses, can be taught by an educator who holds any valid teaching credential including substitute teaching licenses.

## Special Education

For courses with student populations SE or SP, any teacher holding an education of the handicapped certificate (EH) or an intervention specialist license (PI, IL or ES) can teach students—at the grade levels for which the teacher is certificated or licensed—with any disability.\*

\*Exceptions:

1. Any SE or SP course that is comprised of all deaf or hard of hearing students must be taught by someone certificated or licensed to teach deaf or hard of hearing students. This includes the following:
  - EH 196010, 196015, 196070 (grades K-12)
  - IL 196116 (grades P-12)
2. Any SE or SP course that is comprised of all visually impaired students must be taught by someone certificated or licensed to teach visually impaired students. This includes the following:
  - EH 196110 (grades K-12)
  - IL 196109 (grades P-12)

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SUBJECT	CREDENTIAL	TEACHING FIELD / ENDORSEMENT	ADDITIONAL TEACHING FIELD / ENDORSEMENT	GRADES
080300 - Physical Education	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)	080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)	080310 - Physical Education		KG - 12
	EH - Education of the Handicapped (K-12)	180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		KG - 8
	EL - Elementary (1-8)	180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		KG - 8
	HS - High School (7-12)	080300 - Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080300 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		KG - 8
	HS - High School (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	500070 - Phys Ed-Elem Only		KG - 8
	KP - Kindergarten-Primary (K-3)	180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		KG - 8
	KP - Kindergarten-Primary (K-3)	500070 - Phys Ed-Elem Only		KG - 8
	MA - Multi Age (P-12)	080305 - Physical Education		PS - 12
	MA - Multi-Age PK-12	080305 - Physical Education		PS - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080300 - Physical Education		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080305 - Physical Education		KG - 12
	080405 - Lifetime Sports	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education	
AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)		080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)		080310 - Physical Education		KG - 12
EL - Elementary (1-8)		180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		KG - 8
HS - High School (7-12)		500070 - Phys Ed-Elem Only		1 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		1 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080505 - Adapted Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080310 - Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080505 - Adapted Physical Education		7 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080300 - Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080300 - Physical Education		7 - 12
KP - Kindergarten-Primary (K-3)		180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		KG - 8
MA - Multi Age (P-12)		080305 - Physical Education		PS - 12
MA - Multi-Age PK-12		080305 - Physical Education		PS - 12
SP - Special All Grades (K-12)		080505 - Adapted Physical Education		KG - 12
SP - Special All Grades (K-12)		080305 - Physical Education		KG - 12
SP - Special All Grades (K-12)		080300 - Physical Education		KG - 12

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080505 - Adapted Physical Education	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080505 - Adapted Physical Education		7 - 12
	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)	080505 - Adapted Physical Education		7 - 12
	EH - Education of the Handicapped (K-12)	196156 - Phys-Ed/Mspr		KG - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	196156 - Phys-Ed/Mspr	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	196156 - Phys-Ed/Mspr		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080515 - Adapt Phys Ed 7-12		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080515 - Adapt Phys Ed 7-12	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080505 - Adapted Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080505 - Adapted Physical Education		7 - 12
	MA - Multi Age (P-12)	080505 - Adapted Physical Education		PS - 12
	MA - Multi-Age PK-12	080505 - Adapted Physical Education		PS - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	196156 - Phys-Ed/Mspr		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080505 - Adapted Physical Education		KG - 12
	080900 - Outdoor Physical Education	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education	
AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)		080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)		080310 - Physical Education		KG - 12
EL - Elementary (1-8)		180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		KG - 8
HS - High School (7-12)		500070 - Phys Ed-Elem Only		1 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		KG - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080310 - Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080300 - Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080300 - Physical Education		7 - 12
KP - Kindergarten-Primary (K-3)		500070 - Phys Ed-Elem Only		KG - 8
KP - Kindergarten-Primary (K-3)		180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		KG - 8
MA - Multi Age (P-12)		080305 - Physical Education		PS - 12
MA - Multi-Age PK-12		080305 - Physical Education		PS - 12
SP - Special All Grades (K-12)		080300 - Physical Education		KG - 12
SP - Special All Grades (K-12)		080305 - Physical Education		KG - 12

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080999 - Other Physical Education Course	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080304 - Dance		7 - 12
	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)	080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)	080304 - Dance		7 - 12
	DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)	080310 - Physical Education		KG - 12
	DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)	080304 - Dance		KG - 12
	DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)	080302 - Dance		KG - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		1 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	500070 - Phys Ed-Elem Only		1 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080304 - Dance		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080300 - Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080304 - Dance	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080300 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	KP - Kindergarten-Primary (K-3)	500070 - Phys Ed-Elem Only		KG - 8
	KP - Kindergarten-Primary (K-3)	180180 - Physical Education, Elementary		KG - 8
	MA - Multi Age (P-12)	080305 - Physical Education		PS - 12
	MA - Multi Age (P-12)	080302 - Dance		PS - 12
	MA - Multi-Age PK-12	080305 - Physical Education		PS - 12
	MA - Multi-Age PK-12	080302 - Dance		PS - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080305 - Physical Education		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080302 - Dance		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080300 - Physical Education		KG - 12
260101 - Health Education	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	CT - Career Technical (4-12)	090660 - Family and Consumer Science Careers		4 - 12
	CT - Career Technical (4-12)	090120 - Family and Consumer Science Education		4 - 12
	DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)	080101 - Health		KG - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	230000 - Home Economics		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080101 - Health	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080100 - Health Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080100 - Health Education		7 - 12
	MA - Multi Age (P-12)	080115 - Health		PS - 12
	MA - Multi-Age PK-12	080115 - Health		PS - 12
	SN - School Nurse	080115 - Health		KG - 12
	SN - School Nurse	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	SN - School Nurse	080100 - Health Education		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080115 - Health		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080100 - Health Education		KG - 12
	VO - Vocational Education	090660 - Family and Consumer Science Careers		
	VO - Vocational Education	090120 - Family and Consumer Science Education		
	VO - Vocational Education	090104 - Homemaking and Consumer Education		

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260150 - Substance Abuse Prevention	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)	080101 - Health		KG - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080101 - Health	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080100 - Health Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080100 - Health Education		7 - 12
	MA - Multi Age (P-12)	080115 - Health		PS - 12
	MA - Multi-Age PK-12	080115 - Health		PS - 12
	SN - School Nurse	080115 - Health		KG - 12
	SN - School Nurse	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	SN - School Nurse	080100 - Health Education		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080115 - Health		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080100 - Health Education		KG - 12
	260200 - Safety/First Aid/CPR	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080101 - Health	
AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)		080101 - Health		7 - 12
DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)		080101 - Health		KG - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080100 - Health Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080100 - Health Education		7 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080101 - Health	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080101 - Health		7 - 12
MA - Multi Age (P-12)		080115 - Health		PS - 12
MA - Multi-Age PK-12		080115 - Health		PS - 12
SN - School Nurse		080115 - Health		KG - 12
SN - School Nurse		080101 - Health		7 - 12
SN - School Nurse		080100 - Health Education		KG - 12
SP - Special All Grades (K-12)		080115 - Health		KG - 12
SP - Special All Grades (K-12)		080100 - Health Education		KG - 12

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260410 - Sports Medicine	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)	080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)	080310 - Physical Education		KG - 12
	DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)	080101 - Health		KG - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080310 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080300 - Physical Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080300 - Physical Education		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080101 - Health	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080100 - Health Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
	HS - High School (7-12)	080100 - Health Education		7 - 12
	MA - Multi Age (P-12)	080305 - Physical Education		PS - 12
	MA - Multi Age (P-12)	080115 - Health		PS - 12
	MA - Multi-Age PK-12	080305 - Physical Education		PS - 12
	MA - Multi-Age PK-12	080115 - Health		PS - 12
	SN - School Nurse	080115 - Health		KG - 12
	SN - School Nurse	080101 - Health		7 - 12
	SN - School Nurse	080100 - Health Education		7 - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080305 - Physical Education		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080300 - Physical Education		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080115 - Health		KG - 12
	SP - Special All Grades (K-12)	080100 - Health Education		KG - 12
	269999 - Other Health	AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12)	080101 - Health	
AD - Adolescence to Young Adult (Grades 7-12)		080101 - Health		7 - 12
DS (K-12) - Designated Subject (Grades K-12)		080101 - Health		KG - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080101 - Health		KG - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080100 - Health Education	180200 - Middle Grades	4 - 12
HS - High School (7-12)		080100 - Health Education		7 - 12
MA - Multi Age (P-12)		080115 - Health		PS - 12
MA - Multi-Age PK-12		080115 - Health		PS - 12
SN - School Nurse		080115 - Health		KG - 12
SN - School Nurse		080101 - Health		7 - 12
SN - School Nurse		080100 - Health Education		KG - 12
SP - Special All Grades (K-12)		080115 - Health		KG - 12
SP - Special All Grades (K-12)		080100 - Health Education		KG - 12