

# CERTIFICATION GUIDELINES FOR TEACHING ASSIGNMENTS



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## Introduction

A.R.S. § 15-203 authorizes the State Board to supervise and control the certification of educators, and to exercise general supervision over and regulate the conduct of the public-school system. The provisions in Board of Education rule R7-2-607(W) establish that the required certificate, approved area, or endorsement for teaching positions shall be established in this Certification Guidelines for Teaching Assignments.

The Certification Guidelines for Teaching Assignments are for use by Arizona school districts. Per Arizona Revised Statutes § 15-183(C)(5), charter school teachers are not required to be certified unless they are assigned to a special education position.

## Glossary of Terms

For the purposes of this document, the following definitions apply:

**“Appropriately Certified”** means holding the Teaching Certificate, Endorsement and Approved Area that is required for a teaching assignment.

**“Approved Area”** means a subject area denoted on a teaching certificate that is taught in Arizona public schools.

**“Certificate”** means an Arizona Alternative Teaching, Classroom-Based Standard Teaching, International Teaching, JROTC, Native American Language, Specialized Secondary STEM, Standard CTE, Standard Professional teaching, Standard Specialized CTE Teaching Intern, Student Teaching Intern, Subject Matter Expert Standard Teaching certificate.

**“Endorsement”** means an attachment to a teaching certificate which provides an additional authorization to the holder.

**“IEP”** means Individualized Education Program. The IEP is a legal document mandated by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) that defines the individualized goals of a child who has been found to have a disability, as defined by federal regulations. [20 U.S.C. 1401 and 1412; A.R.S. § 15-761(11)]

**“ILLP”** means Individual Language Learning Plan. The ILLP is an instructional plan written for an English language learner to meet the English Language Proficiency standards.

**“Primary teaching assignment”** means the subject area that a teacher is assigned to for the greater part of their instructional schedule. For teachers who are assigned to two or more subjects in equal parts of their instructional schedule, the “primary teaching assignment” refers to each subject.

**“SEI”** means “Structured English Immersion”. Structured English Immersion is a model for teaching English language learners.

**“Self-contained classroom”** means a classroom in which the teacher teaches multiple subjects to one class of students. Note: This definition applies to Arizona Certification rules and does not apply to the same term used under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

**“Single subject classroom”** means a classroom in which the teacher teaches one subject to one class of students.

## Kindergarten-Grade 4 Self-Contained Classroom

Preschool-Grade 4: Self-Contained Classroom	
Teaching Assignment	Appropriately Certified Requirement
Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> </ul>
Grade 4	Elementary Certificate
Bilingual Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> </ul> <b>-AND-</b> Bilingual Endorsement
Bilingual Grades 4	Elementary Certificate <b>-AND-</b> Bilingual Endorsement
Gifted Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> </ul> <b>-AND-</b> Gifted Endorsement
Gifted Grade 4	Elementary Certificate <b>-AND-</b> Gifted Endorsement
SEI classroom or one or more students on an ILLP Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> </ul> <b>-AND-</b> One of the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provisional or Full SEI Endorsement</li> <li>• Provisional or Full ESL Endorsement</li> <li>• Full Bilingual Endorsement</li> </ul>
SEI classroom or one or more students on an ILLP Grade 4	Elementary Certificate with one of the following endorsements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provisional or Full SEI Endorsement</li> <li>• Provisional or Full ESL Endorsement</li> <li>• Full Bilingual Endorsement</li> </ul>

## Kindergarten-Grade 4 Single Subject Classroom

Kindergarten-Grade 4: Single Subject Classroom	
Primary Teaching Assignment	Appropriately Certified Requirement <sup>1</sup>
Art Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Art Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Art, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Art Grade 4	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Art Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Art, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Computer Science Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Computer Science, PreK-8 <b>or</b> PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Computer Science Grade 4	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Computer Science, PreK-8 <b>or</b> PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Dance Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Dance Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Dance, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Dance Grade 4	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Arts Education, Dance PreK-12 Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Dance, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> In addition to the Appropriately Certified Requirements listed, all teachers who instruct one or more English language learners on an Individual Language Learner Plan (ILLP) must hold a Provisional or Full SEI Endorsement, a Provisional or Full ESL endorsement, or a full Bilingual endorsement.

<b>Kindergarten-Grade 4: Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirements</b>
Drama/Theatre Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Dramatic Arts</li> <li>• Teaching Certificate with a Dramatic Arts, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Drama/Theatre Grade 4	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Arts Education, Dramatic Arts PreK-12 Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Dramatic Arts, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Foreign Languages: See World Languages	
Language Arts Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> </ul>
Language Arts Grade 4	Elementary Certificate
Mathematics Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> </ul>
Mathematics Grade 4	Elementary Certificate
Music Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Music Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Music, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Music Grade 4	One of the Following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Music Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Music, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>

<b>Kindergarten-Grade 4: Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirements</b>
Native American Language Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> <li>• Native American Language PreK-12 Certificate in the appropriate Native American Language</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Elementary Foreign Language, K-8 Endorsement in the appropriate Native American Language</li> </ul>
Native American Language Grade 4	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Native American Language PreK-12 Certificate in the appropriate Native American Language</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Elementary Foreign Language, K-8 Endorsement in the appropriate Native American Language</li> </ul>
Physical Education Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> <li>• PreK-12 Physical Education Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Physical Education, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Physical Education Grade 4	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• PreK-12 Physical Education Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Physical Education, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Reading Specialist/Reading Interventionist Kindergarten-Grade 4	An Early Childhood, Elementary, Special Education, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate with one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading, K-8 Endorsement</li> <li>• Reading, K-12 Endorsement</li> <li>• Reading Specialist, K-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Science Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> </ul>

<b>Kindergarten-Grade 4: Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirements</b>
Science Grade 4	Elementary Certificate
Social Studies Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> </ul>
Social Studies Grade 4	Elementary Certificate
World Languages <sup>2</sup> Grades K-3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Special Education Certificate with an Early Childhood Endorsement</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Elementary Foreign Language, K-8 Endorsement in the appropriate language</li> </ul>
World Languages Grade 4	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Elementary Foreign Language, K-8 Endorsement in the appropriate language</li> </ul>

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<sup>2</sup> World Languages includes languages other than English, including American Sign Language.



## Grades 5-8 Self-Contained Classroom

Grades 5-8: Self-Contained Classroom	
Teaching Assignment	Appropriately Certified Requirement
Grades 5-8	Elementary Certificate
Bilingual Grades 5-8	Elementary Certificate <b>-AND-</b> Bilingual Endorsement
Gifted Grades 5-8	Elementary Certificate <b>-AND-</b> Gifted Endorsement
SEI classroom or self-contained classroom with one or more students on an ILLP Grades 5-8	Elementary Certificate <b>-AND-</b> One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provisional or Full SEI Endorsement</li> <li>• Provisional or Full ESL Endorsement</li> <li>• Full Bilingual Endorsement</li> </ul>

## Grades 5-8 Single Subject Classroom

Grades 5-8 Single Subject Classroom	
Primary Teaching Assignment	Appropriately Certified Requirement
Art Grade 5	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Art Approved Area</li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grades Endorsement: Art Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Art Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Art, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Art Grade 6-8	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate: Art Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Art Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Art, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Computer Science Grade 5	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Computer Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grades Endorsement: Computer Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Computer Science, PreK-8 <b>or</b> PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Computer Science Grade 6-8	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate: Computer Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Computer Science, 6-12, PreK-8, or PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Dance Grade 5	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Dance Approved Area</li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Dance Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Dance Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Dance, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Dance Grade 6-8	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate: Dance Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, Dance PreK-12 Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Dance, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>

<b>Grades 5-8 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Drama/Theatre Grade 5	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Drama/Theatre Approved Area</li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Drama/Theatre Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Dramatic Arts Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Dramatic Arts, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Drama/Theatre Grades 6-8	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate: Drama/Theatre Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Dramatic Arts Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Dramatic Arts, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Foreign Language: See World Languages	
Language Arts Grade 5	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Middle Grades Language Arts</li> <li>○ English</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement and one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Middle Grades Language Arts</li> <li>○ English</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Language Arts <sup>3</sup> Grade 6-8	Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate with <b>one</b> of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Middle Grades Language Arts</li> <li>• English</li> </ul>

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<sup>3</sup> A teacher assigned to an SEI classroom in grades 6-8, must hold the appropriate certificate with an approved area in Middle Grades Language Arts or English **and** a Provisional or Full SEI endorsement, a Provisional or Full ESL endorsement, or a full Bilingual endorsement.

<b>Grades 5-8 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Mathematics Grade 5	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Middle Grades Mathematics</li> <li>○ Middle Grades/Early Secondary Mathematics</li> <li>○ Mathematics</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement and one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Middle Grades Mathematics</li> <li>○ Middle Grades/Early Secondary Mathematics</li> <li>○ Mathematics</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Mathematics Grade 6-8	<p>Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate with <b>one</b> of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Middle Grades Mathematics</li> <li>• Middle Grades/Early Secondary Mathematics</li> <li>• Mathematics</li> </ul>
Music Grade 5	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Music Approved Area</li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Music Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Music Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Music, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Music Grade 6-8	<p>One of the Following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate: Music Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Music Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Music, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Native American Language Grade 5	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Approved Area in the Native American Language</li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Approved Area in the Native American Language</li> <li>• Native American Language, PreK-12 Certificate in the Native American Language</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Elementary Foreign Language, K-8 Endorsement in the Native American language</li> </ul>

<b>Grades 5-8 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Native American Language Grades 6-8	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate: Approved Area in the Native American Language</li> <li>• Native American Language, PreK-12 Certificate in the Native American Language</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Elementary Foreign Language, K-8 Endorsement in the Native American language</li> </ul>
Physical Education Grade 5	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Physical Education Approved Area</li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Physical Education Approved Area</li> <li>• PreK-12 Physical Education Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Physical Education, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Physical Education Grade 6-8	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary, Middle Grades, Secondary Certificate: Physical Education Approved Area</li> <li>• PreK-12 Physical Education Certificate</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with a Physical Education, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Reading Specialist/Reading Interventionist Grade 5	An Early Childhood, Elementary, Special Education, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate with one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading, K-8 Endorsement</li> <li>• Reading, K-12 Endorsement</li> <li>• Reading Specialist, K-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Reading Specialist/Reading Interventionist Grade 6-8	An Early Childhood, Elementary, Special Education, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate with one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading, K-8 Endorsement</li> <li>• Reading, 6-12 Endorsement</li> <li>• Reading, K-12 Endorsement</li> <li>• Reading Specialist, K-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>

<b>Grades 5-8 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Science Grade 5	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate with one of the following approved areas:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Middle Grades General Science</li> <li>○ General Science</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement and one of the following approved areas:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Middle Grades General Science</li> <li>○ General Science Approved Area</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Science Grades 6-8	Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate with <b>one</b> of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Middle Grades General Science</li> <li>• General Science</li> </ul>
Social Studies Grade 5	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate with one of the following approved areas:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ History</li> <li>○ Middle Grades Social Studies</li> <li>○ Social Studies</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement and one of the following approved areas:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ History</li> <li>○ Middle Grades Social Studies</li> <li>○ Social Studies</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Social Studies Grades 6-8	Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate with <b>one</b> of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> </ul>
World Languages other than English Grade 5	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Approved Area in the Foreign Language</li> <li>• Secondary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Approved Area in the Foreign Language</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Elementary Foreign Language, K-8 Endorsement in the Foreign Language</li> </ul>

<b>Grades 5-8 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
World Languages other than English Grades 6-8	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate: Approved Area in the Foreign Language</li> <li>• Teaching certificate with an Elementary Foreign Language, K-8 Endorsement in the Foreign Language</li> </ul>

## Grades 6-12 Career and Technical Education(CTE) Classroom

Grades 6-12 Career and Technical Education Assignments	
Teaching Assignment	Appropriately Certified Requirement
CTE Agriculture Grades 6-12	CTE Agriculture Certificate
CTE Business and Marketing Grades 6-12	CTE Business and Marketing Certificate
CTE Education and Training Grades 6-12	CTE Education and Training Certificate
CTE Family and Consumer Sciences Grades 6-12	CTE Family and Consumer Sciences Certificate
CTE Health Careers Grades 6-12	CTE Health Careers Certificate
CTE Industrial and Emerging Technologies Grades 6-12	CTE Industrial and Emerging Technologies Certificate
<p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. An appropriate CTE certificate is required for courses that are funded through the CTE Federal Perkins Grant.</li> <li>2. Teachers assigned to a dual credit CTE classroom must hold the appropriate CTE certificate <b>and</b> the appropriate certificate, approved area, and/or endorsement to teach the academic subject.</li> <li>3. For further information on CTE programs please visit <a href="http://www.azed.gov/cte/programs/">http://www.azed.gov/cte/programs/</a>.</li> </ol>	

## Grades 9-12 Self-Contained Classroom

Grades 9-12 Self-Contained Classroom	
Teaching Assignment	Appropriately Certified Requirement
Self-Contained Classroom Grade 9	Middle Grades or Secondary Certificate (Any Approved Area)
Self-Contained Classroom Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate (Any Approved Area)



## Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom

**Note:** Career and Technical Education teaching assignments require the appropriate CTE certificate. CTE teachers are not required to meet the appropriately certified requirements indicated below unless they are teaching a dual credit class for both CTE and an academic subject course.

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Art (Visual Art) Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Art Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Art Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Art Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grades Endorsement: Art Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Art, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Art (Visual Art) Grades 10-12	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Art Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Art Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Art, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Computer Science Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Computer Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Computer Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grades Endorsement: Computer Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Standard Professional Teaching Certificate: Computer Science, 6-12 <u>or</u> PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Computer Science Grade 10-12	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Computer Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Standard Professional Teaching Certificate: Computer Science, 6-12 <u>or</u> PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Computer Applications Grades 9	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Computer Science</li> <li>○ Educational Technology/Technology</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Computer Science</li> <li>○ Educational Technology/Technology</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement and one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Computer Science</li> <li>○ Educational Technology/Technology</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Standard Professional Teaching Certificate: Computer Science 6-12 <b>or</b> PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Computer Applications Grades 10-12	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Computer Science</li> <li>○ Educational Technology/Technology</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Computer Science, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> <li>• Standard Professional Teaching Certificate: Computer Science 6-12 <b>or</b> PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Dance Grade 9	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Dance Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Dance Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Dance Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, Dance PreK-12 Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Dance, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Dance Grades 10-12	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Dance Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, Dance PreK-12 Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Dance, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Drama/Theatre Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Drama/Theatre Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Drama/Theatre Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Drama/Theatre Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, Dramatic Arts PreK-12 Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Dramatic Arts, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Drama/Theatre Grades 10-12	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Drama/Theatre Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, Dramatic Arts PreK-12 Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Dramatic Arts, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
English Language Arts <sup>4</sup> Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English</li> <li>• Middle Grades Language Arts</li> </ul>
English Language Arts Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate: English Approved Area
English Language Arts: Humanities Grade	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English</li> <li>• Middle Grades Language Arts</li> <li>• Humanities</li> </ul>

<sup>4</sup> SEI/ESL teachers in grades 9-12 must hold the appropriate certificate and approved area to teach English Language Arts **and** a Provisional or Full ESL, SEI or Full Bilingual Endorsement.

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
English Language Arts: Humanities Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English</li> <li>• Humanities</li> </ul>
English Language Arts: Journalism (Newspaper, Yearbook) Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English</li> <li>• Middle Grades Language Arts</li> <li>• Communications</li> <li>• Journalism</li> </ul>
English Language Arts: Journalism (Newspaper, Yearbook) Grade 10	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English</li> <li>• Communications</li> <li>• Journalism</li> </ul>
English Language Arts: Speech and Debate Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grades Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English</li> <li>• Middle Grades Language Arts</li> <li>• Speech</li> <li>• Communications</li> </ul>
English Language Arts: Speech and Debate Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English</li> <li>• Speech</li> <li>• Communications</li> </ul>
Foreign Languages: See World Languages other than English	
Health Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Health Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Health Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Health Approved Area</li> </ul>
Health Grade 10-12	Secondary Certificate: Health Approved Area

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Grades 9-12	Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Certificate
Mathematics: Algebra I, Geometry, or less advanced mathematics Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement.</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mathematics</li> <li>• Middle Grades/Early Secondary Mathematics</li> <li>• Middle Grades Mathematics</li> </ul>
Mathematics: Algebra I, Geometry, or less advanced mathematics Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mathematics</li> <li>• Middle Grades/Early Secondary Mathematics</li> </ul>
Mathematics: Algebra II, Trigonometry, Calculus, Statistics, or more advanced mathematics Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate: Mathematics Approved Area
Music Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Music Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Music Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Music Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Music Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Music PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Music Grades 10-12	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Music Approved Area</li> <li>• Arts Education, PreK-12 Music Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Music PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Native American Language Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Approved Area in the Native American Language</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Approved Area in the Native American Language</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Approved Area in the Native American Language</li> <li>• Native American Language, PreK-12 Certificate in the Native American Language</li> </ul>
Native American Language Grades 10-12	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Approved Area in the Native American Language</li> <li>• Native American Language, PreK-12 Certificate in the Native American Language</li> </ul>
Physical Education Grades 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Physical Education Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Physical Education Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Physical Education Approved Area</li> <li>• PreK-12 Physical Education Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Physical Education PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Physical Education Grades 10-12	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Physical Education Approved Area</li> <li>• PreK-12 Physical Education Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Certificate: Physical Education PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Reading Specialist/Reading Interventionist Grades 9-12	An Early Childhood, Elementary, Special Education, Middle Grades, or Secondary Certificate with one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading Endorsement, 6-12</li> <li>• Reading Endorsement, K-12</li> <li>• Reading Specialist Endorsement, K-12</li> </ul>

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Science: Anatomy and Physiology Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> -AND- One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Anatomy and Physiology</li> </ul>
Science: Anatomy and Physiology Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Anatomy and Physiology</li> </ul>
Science: Biology Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Biology Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Biology Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Biology Approved Area</li> </ul>
Science: Biology Grade 10-12	Secondary Certificate: Biology Approved Area
Science: Botany Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> -AND- One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Botany</li> </ul>
Science: Botany Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Botany</li> </ul>
Science: Chemistry Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Chemistry Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Chemistry Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Chemistry Approved Area</li> </ul>
Science: Chemistry Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate: Chemistry Approved Area

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Science: Earth Science <sup>5</sup> Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Earth Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Earth Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Earth Science Approved Area</li> </ul>
Science: Earth Science Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate: Earth Science Approved Area
Science: Environmental Science Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Environmental Science</li> <li>• Earth Science</li> <li>• General Science</li> <li>• Middle Grades General Science</li> </ul>
Science: Environmental Science Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Environmental Science</li> <li>• Earth Science</li> <li>• General Science</li> </ul>
Science: General Science <sup>6</sup> Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> One of the following approved areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Science</li> <li>• Middle Grades General Science</li> <li>• Any other Science approved area</li> </ul>
Science: General Science Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Any other Science Approved Area that is valid for grades 10-12</li> </ul>

<sup>5</sup> Earth Science includes Astronomy, Earth and Space Science, Geology, Oceanography, Meteorology, and Physical Geography.

<sup>6</sup> General Science includes Integrated Science and Forensic Science



<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Science: Physical Science Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Physical Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Physical Science Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Physical Science Approved Area</li> </ul>
Science: Physical Science Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate: Physical Science Approved Area
Science: Physics Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Physics Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Physics Approved Area</li> </ul> Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Physics Approved Area
Science: Physics Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate: Physics Approved Area
Science: Zoology Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <b>-AND-</b> One of the following approved areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Zoology</li> </ul>
Science: Zoology Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Zoology</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Anthropology Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <b>-AND-</b> One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anthropology</li> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Anthropology Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anthropology</li> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> </ul>

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Social Studies: Economics Grade 9	<p>One of the following certificates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> <p>One of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economics</li> <li>• Business</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Economics Grades 10-12	<p>Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economics</li> <li>• Business</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Ethnic Studies <sup>7</sup> Grade 9	<p>One of the following certificates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> <p>One of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ethnic Studies</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> <li>• Political Science/American Government</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Sociology</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Ethnic Studies Grades 10-12	<p>Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ethnic Studies</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Political Science/American Government</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Sociology</li> </ul>

<sup>7</sup> Ethnic Studies refers to the study of the history, politics, economics, society, and/or culture of one or more ethnic groups in the United States. Examples of Ethnic Studies courses include African-American Studies, Asian Studies, Chicano Studies, and Native American Studies.

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Social Studies: Gender Studies Grade 9	<p>One of the following certificates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> <p>One of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gender Studies</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> <li>• Political Science/American Government</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Sociology</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Gender Studies Grades 10-12	<p>Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gender Studies</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Political Science/American Government</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Sociology</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Geography Grade 9	<p>One of the following certificates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> <p>One of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geography</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Geography Grades 10-12	<p>Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geography</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> </ul>

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Social Studies: Global Studies <sup>8</sup> Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <b>-AND-</b> One of the following approved areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global Studies</li> <li>• Anthropology</li> <li>• Ethnic Studies</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> <li>• Political Science/American Government</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Sociology</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Global Studies Grade 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global Studies</li> <li>• Anthropology</li> <li>• Ethnic Studies</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Political Science/American Government</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Sociology</li> </ul>
Social Studies: History Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <b>-AND-</b> One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> </ul>
Social Studies: History Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> </ul>

<sup>8</sup> Global Studies refers to the study of the history, politics, economics, society, and/or culture of one or more regions of the world. Examples include African Studies, Middle Eastern Studies, North and Latin American Studies, Asian Studies, East Asian Studies, European Studies, and Slavic Studies.

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Social Studies: Philosophy Grade 9	<p>One of the following certificates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> <p>One of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Philosophy</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Political Science/American Government</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Philosophy Grades 10-12	<p>Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Philosophy</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Political Science/American Government</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Political Science/American Government Grade 9	<p>One of the following certificates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <p><b>-AND-</b></p> <p>One of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Political Science/American Government</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Political Science/American Government Grades 10-12	<p>Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Political Science/American Government</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Psychology Grade 9	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Psychology Approved Area</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Psychology Approved Area</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grades Endorsement: Psychology Approved Area</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Psychology Grades 10-12	<p>Secondary Certificate: Psychology Approved Area</p>

<b>Grades 9-12 Single Subject Classroom</b>	
<b>Primary Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Social Studies: Sociology Grade 9	One of the following certificates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement</li> </ul> <b>-AND-</b> One of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Anthropology</li> <li>• Ethnic Studies</li> <li>• Gender Studies</li> <li>• Global Studies</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> </ul>
Social Studies: Sociology Grades 10-12	Secondary Certificate with one of the following approved areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Anthropology</li> <li>• Ethnic Studies</li> <li>• Gender Studies</li> <li>• Global Studies</li> <li>• Middle Grades Social Studies</li> <li>• Social Studies</li> </ul>
World Languages other than English Grade 9	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Certificate: Approved Area in the World Language</li> <li>• Middle Grades Certificate: Approved Area in the World Language</li> <li>• Elementary Certificate with a Middle Grade Endorsement: Approved Area in the World Language</li> </ul>
World Languages other than English Grades 10-12	Secondary: Approved Area in the World Language

## Special Education Teaching Assignments, Birth-Grade 12

### Glossary of Terms: Special Education Teaching Assignments

**Hearing Impaired:** An assignment as a special education teacher providing services to students who are deaf or hard of hearing.

**Special Education Early Childhood:** An assignment as a special education teacher providing services to students in birth through grade three who have been identified with one or more of the following disability categories: autism, developmental disability, emotional disability, mild intellectual disability, moderate intellectual disability, severe intellectual disability, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, preschool severe delay, specific learning disability and/or traumatic brain injury.

**Special Education Mild/Moderate Disabilities:** An assignment as a special education teacher providing services to students who have been identified with one or more of the following disability categories: mild/moderate autism, developmental disability, emotional disability, mild intellectual disability, moderate intellectual disability, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, specific learning disability and/or traumatic brain injury.

**Special Education Moderate/Severe Disabilities:** An assignment as a special education teacher providing services to students who have been identified with one or more of the following disability categories: autism, moderate intellectual disabilities, severe intellectual disabilities, traumatic brain injury, emotional disability, orthopedic impairments, and/or other health impairments.

**Visually Impaired:** An assignment as a special education teacher providing services to students who are blind or have visual impairments.

### Additional Requirements for Special Education Teachers

In addition to the appropriately certified requirements described in this section, special education teachers must hold the same endorsement and/or approved area that is required for a general education teacher. Specifically:

- A special education teacher who teaches one or more English language learners must hold a Provisional or full SEI or ESL endorsement, or a full Bilingual endorsement.
- A special education teacher assigned to a single subject, grades six through twelve classroom must hold an approved area or endorsement in the primary subject area(s) that they teach.

<b>Special Education: Birth-Grade 12</b>	
<b>Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Hearing Impaired Birth-Preschool	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing Impaired, Birth-Grade 12 certificate</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate <b>and</b> a Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Birth-Grade 12 endorsement</li> </ul>
Special Education Early Childhood Birth-Preschool	One of the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Special Education certificate</li> <li>• Mild-Moderate Disabilities, Moderate/Severe Disabilities, Cross-Categorical, Special Education ID, Special Education ED, <b>or</b> Special Education LD certificate <b>and</b> an Early Childhood Education endorsement</li> <li>• Mild-Moderate Disabilities, Moderate/Severe Disabilities, Cross-Categorical, Special Education ID, Special Education ED, <b>or</b> Special Education LD certificate <b>and</b> an Early Childhood Education certificate</li> </ul>
Special Education Mild/Moderate Disabilities Birth- Preschool	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Special Education Certificate</li> <li>• Mild-Moderate Disabilities, Moderate/Severe Disabilities, Cross-Categorical, Special Education ID, Special Education ED, <b>or</b> Special Education LD certificate <b>and</b> an Early Childhood Education endorsement</li> <li>• Mild-Moderate Disabilities, Moderate/Severe Disabilities, Cross-Categorical, Special Education ID, Special Education ED, <b>or</b> Special Education LD certificate <b>and</b> an Early Childhood Education certificate</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate <b>and</b> a Provisional or full Mild/Moderate Disabilities, PreK-12 endorsement</li> </ul>
Special Education Moderate/Severe Disabilities Birth- Preschool	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Special Education Certificate</li> <li>• Mild-Moderate Disabilities, Moderate/Severe Disabilities, Cross-Categorical, Special Education ID, Special Education ED, <b>or</b> Special Education LD certificate <b>and</b> an Early Childhood Education endorsement</li> <li>• Mild-Moderate Disabilities, Moderate/Severe Disabilities, Cross-Categorical, Special Education ID, Special Education ED, <b>or</b> Special Education LD certificate <b>and</b> an Early Childhood Education certificate</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate <b>and</b> a Provisional or full Moderate/Severe Disabilities, PreK-12 Endorsement</li> </ul>
Visually Impaired Birth- Preschool	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visually Impaired, Birth-Grade 12 certificate</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate <b>and</b> a Visually Impaired, Birth-Grade 12 endorsement</li> </ul>



<b>Special Education: Kindergarten-Grade 3</b>	
<b>Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Hearing Impaired Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing Impaired, Birth-Grade 12 certificate</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate <b>and</b> a Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Birth-Grade 12 endorsement</li> </ul>
Special Education Mild/Moderate Disabilities Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Special Education certificate</li> <li>• Mild-Moderate Disabilities certificate</li> <li>• Cross-Categorical certificate</li> <li>• Special Education ID certificate</li> <li>• Special Education LD certificate</li> <li>• Special Education ED certificate</li> <li>• Moderate/Severe Disabilities certificate <b>and</b> an Early Childhood Education endorsement</li> <li>• Moderate/Severe Disabilities certificate <b>and</b> an Early Childhood Education certificate</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate <b>and</b> a Provisional or full Mild/Moderate Disabilities, PreK-12 endorsement</li> </ul>
Special Education Moderate/Severe Disabilities Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Special Education certificate</li> <li>• Moderate/Severe Disabilities certificate</li> <li>• Special Education ID certificate</li> <li>• Mild/Moderate Disabilities, Cross-Categorical, Special Education LD, <b>or</b> Special Education ED certificate <b>and</b> an Early Childhood Education endorsement</li> <li>• Mild-Moderate Disabilities, Cross-Categorical, Special Education ED <b>or</b> Special Education LD certificate <b>and</b> an Early Childhood Education certificate</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate <b>and</b> a Provisional or full Moderate/Severe Disabilities, PreK-12 endorsement</li> </ul>
Visually Impaired Kindergarten-Grade 3	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visually Impaired, Birth-Grade 12 certificate</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate <b>and</b> a Visually Impaired, Birth-Grade 12 endorsement</li> </ul>

<b>Special Education: Grades 4-12</b>	
<b>Teaching Assignment</b>	<b>Appropriately Certified Requirement</b>
Hearing Impaired Grades 4-12	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing Impaired, Birth-Grade 12 certificate</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate with a Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Birth-Grade 12 endorsement</li> </ul>
Special Education Mild/Moderate Disabilities Grades 4-12	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mild-Moderate Disabilities</li> <li>• Cross-Categorical Special Education</li> <li>• Special Education ID</li> <li>• Special Education LD</li> <li>• Special Education ED</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate with a Provisional or full Mild/Moderate Disabilities, PreK-12 endorsement</li> </ul>
Special Education Moderate/Severe Disabilities Grades 4-12	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderate/Severe Disabilities certificate</li> <li>• Special Education ID</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate with a Provisional or full Moderate/Severe Disabilities, PreK-12 endorsement</li> </ul>
Visually Impaired Grades 4-12	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visually Impaired, Birth-Grade 12 certificate</li> <li>• Standard Professional teaching certificate with a Visually Impaired, Birth-Grade 12 endorsement</li> </ul>

## Appendix A: Teaching Certificates that meet Appropriately Certified Requirements

Certificate Types <sup>9</sup>	Certificate Areas
Alternative Teaching Classroom Based Standard Teaching International Teaching Standard Professional Teaching Student Teaching Intern Teaching Intern <sup>10</sup>	Arts Education, PreK-12 Early Childhood, Birth-Grade 3 or Age 8 Elementary, K-8 Middle Grades, 5-9 PreK-12 Art Education PreK-12 Dance Education PreK-12 Music Education PreK-12 Physical Education PreK-12 Theatre Education Secondary, 6-12 Special Education Cross Categorical, K-12 <sup>11</sup> Special Education: Early Childhood Special Education. Birth-Grade 3 Special Education: Emotional Disability (ED), K-12 Special Education: Hearing Impaired, Birth-Grade 12 Special Education: Intellectual Disability (ID), K-12 Special Education: Learning Disability (LD), K-12 Special Education: Mild/Moderate Disabilities, K-12 Special Education: Moderate/Severe Disabilities, K-12 <sup>12</sup> Special Education: Visually Impaired, Birth-Grade 12
Subject Matter Expert Standard	Secondary, 6-12
Specialized Secondary STEM	Secondary, 6-12
Native American Language, PreK-12	N/A
Standard Career and Technical Education (CTE) Standard Specialized CTE	CTE Agriculture CTE Business and Marketing CTE Education and Training CTE Family and Consumer Sciences CTE Health Careers CTE Industrial and Emerging Technologies
Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC)	N/A

<sup>9</sup> A teacher may be considered appropriately certified if they hold one of the certificate types listed below and the required certificate area, approved area, or endorsement for their assignment.

<sup>10</sup> The Teaching Intern certificate was renamed "Alternative Teaching Certificate" in August, 2018.

<sup>11</sup> No new applications have been accepted for the Special Education Cross-Categorical, ED, ID, LD, or OI/OHI certificates since January 1, 2016. Individuals who were issued these certificates prior to January 1, 2016 may continue to renew the certificate if they meet the applicable renewal requirements.

<sup>12</sup> The Special Education Moderate/Severe Disabilities was previously titled "Severely and Profoundly Disabled".

## Appendix B: Certification Approved Areas

Accounting*	French	Music
Akimel O'odham	Gender Studies	Navajo
American Sign Language	General Science	Non-Semitic African Language
American Indian Language	Geography	Philosophy
Anatomy and Physiology	German	Photography*
Anthropology	Global Studies	Physical Education
Apache	Greek	Physical Science
Arabic	Havasupai-Hualapai	Physics
Art	Health	Piipaash
Balto-Slavic Language	Hebrew	Political Science/American Government
Biology	History	Portuguese
Botany	Hopi	Psychology
Business*	Humanities	Quechan/Yuma
Celtic Language	Indic Language	Recreation
Chemistry	Industrial Arts*	Romance/Italic Language
Chinese-Mandarin	Industrial Technology*	Russian
Cocopah	Italian	Semitic and Middle Eastern Languages
Communications	Iranian/Persian Language	Social Studies
Computer Science*	Japanese	Sociology
Criminal Justice*	Journalism	Southeast Asian Language
Dance	Korean	Spanish
Drama/Theatre	Latin	Speech
Earth Science	Malayo-Polynesian Language	Swahili
East Asian Language	Marketing	Tohono O'odham
Economics	Mathematics	Turkic/Ural Altaic Language
Educational Technology/Technology	Media Arts	Turkish
Engineering*	Middle Grades General Science	Urdu
English	Middle Grades Language Arts	Ute
Environmental Science	Middle Grades Mathematics	Vietnamese
Ethnic Studies	Middle Grades Social Studies	Yaqui
Family and Consumer Sciences*	Middle Grades/Early Secondary Mathematics	Yavapai
Filipino	Mohave	Zoology

\*This subject is frequently taught through a Career and Technical Education (CTE) program. Teachers who are assigned to a CTE classroom must hold the appropriate CTE certificate.

## Appendix C: Certification Endorsements

Endorsement	Required Certificate	Authorization
Art, PreK-12	Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder to teach Art in PreK-Grade 12
Bilingual Endorsement	Elementary, Middle Grades, Secondary, Special Education, Career and Technical Education, Early Childhood, Arts Education PreK-12, PreK-12 Physical Education, Subject Matter Expert Standard, or Specialized STEM	Authorizes the holder to provide Bilingual instruction in the area they are appropriately certified to teach
Computer Science, PreK-8	Elementary, Middle Grades, Secondary, Special Education, Early Childhood Education, PreK-12 Teaching (Art, Dance, Music, Theatre, Physical Education)	Authorizes the holder to teach Computer Science in PreK-8
Computer Science, 6-12	Elementary, Middle Grades, Secondary, Special Education (must be valid for K-12 or Birth-Grade 12, PreK-12 Teaching (Art, Dance, Music, Theatre, Physical Education)	Authorizes the holder to teach Computer Science in grades 6-12
Computer Science, PreK-12	Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder to teach Computer Science in PreK-12
Cooperative Education	Career and Technical Education	Authorizes the holder to coordinate or teach Career and Technical Cooperative Education
Dance, PreK-12	Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder to teach Dance in PreK-12
Dramatic Arts, PreK-12	Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder to teach Dramatic Arts in PreK-12
Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Birth-Grade 12	Standard Professional Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle Grades, Secondary, or Special Education (excludes Hearing Impaired) certificate.	Authorizes the holder to teach deaf/hard of hearing special education in birth-grade 12
Drivers Education	Elementary, Middle Grades, Secondary, Special Education, Career and Technical Education, Early Childhood, Arts Education PreK-12, PreK-12 Physical Education, Subject Matter Expert Standard, or Specialized STEM	Optional endorsement which authorizes the holder to teach Driver's Education courses

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Endorsement	Required Certificate	Authorization
Early Childhood Education, Birth-Grade 3 or Age 8	Elementary or Special Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authorizes the holder for a self-contained, general education Birth-Grade 3 or Age 8 classroom</li> <li>• When added to a Mild/Moderate Disabilities, Moderate/Severe Disabilities, or Specialized Special Education (ID, ED, LD, or OI/OHI) also authorizes the holder to teach Early Childhood Special Education, Birth-Grade 3 or Age 8</li> </ul>
Elementary Foreign Language, K-8	Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder to teach a world language other than English in grades K-8
English as a Second Language (ESL), PreK-12	Elementary, Middle Grades, Secondary, Special Education, Career and Technical Education, Early Childhood, Arts Education PreK-12, PreK-12 Physical Education, Subject Matter Expert Standard, or Specialized STEM	Authorizes the holder to teach one or more English language learners in the area they are appropriately certified to teach.
Gifted Education, PreK-12	Early Childhood, Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder to be a gifted education teacher in the area they are appropriately certified to teach
Library-Media Specialist, PreK-12	Early Childhood, Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education	Optional endorsement for School Library-Media Specialists
Mathematics, K-8	Elementary or Special Education	Optional, but recommended endorsement for the position of mathematics specialist, consultant, interventionist, or coach
Middle Grades, 5-9	Elementary or Secondary	Authorizes the holder to teach the approved subject area(s) on their certificate in grades 5-9
Mild/Moderate Disabilities, PreK-12	Standard Professional Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle Grades, Early Childhood or Special Education (excludes Mild/Moderate Disabilities)	Authorizes the holder to teach mild/moderate special education in PreK-12

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Endorsement	Required Certificate	Authorization
Moderate/Severe Disabilities, PreK-12	Standard Professional Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle Grades, Early Childhood or Special Education (excludes Moderate/Severe Disabilities) certificate	Authorizes the holder to teach moderate/severe special education in PreK-12
Music, PreK-12	Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder to teach Music PreK-12.
Physical Education, PreK-12	Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder to teach Physical Education, PreK-12
Reading Endorsement, K-8	Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle Grades, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder for the position of Reading Specialist, Reading Coach, and Reading Interventionist in grades K-8
Reading Endorsement, 6-12	Elementary, Middle Grades, Secondary, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder for the position of Reading Specialist, Reading Coach, and Reading Interventionist in grades 6-12
Reading Endorsement, K-12	Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle Grades, Secondary, or Special Education	Authorizes the holder for the position of Reading Specialist, Reading Coach, and Reading Interventionist in grades K-12
Structured English Immersion (SEI), PreK-12	Elementary, Middle Grades, Secondary, Special Education, Career and Technical Education, Early Childhood, Arts Education PreK-12, PreK-12 Physical Education, Subject Matter Expert Standard, or Specialized STEM	Authorizes the holder to teach one or more English language learners in the area they appropriately certified to teach
Visually Impaired, Birth-Grade 12	Standard Professional Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle Grades, Early Childhood or Special Education (excludes Visually Impaired) certificate	Authorizes the holder to teach visually impaired special education in birth-grade 12