
Educator Licensure Rule 0520-02-03

The Background:

T.C.A. § 49-5-108 provides “the state board of education is authorized, empowered and directed to set up rules and regulations governing the issuance of licenses for supervisors, principals and public school teachers.” To become licensed to serve as an instructional leader in Tennessee, educators must have at least three years of experience as a licensed teacher, complete an approved leader preparation program, and submit qualifying scores on the required assessment. Individuals may serve as an Assistant Principal while enrolled in an approved instructional leader preparation program.

This item is part of a series of items that modify renewal and advancement requirements for the instructional leader licenses and add language for individuals not primarily serving in Tennessee Academy for School Leaders (TASL)-mandated positions. Additionally, the item clarifies the licensure requirements for educational interpreters.

The following change has been made since first reading:

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The Fiscal Analysis Impact:

T.C.A. § 49-1-212 requires that the Department prepare a fiscal analysis of any policy, rule or regulation proposed to the State Board of Education. This item has no financial impact on an LEA.

The Recommendation:

The Department of Education recommends adoption of this item on final reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.