

Middle Childhood Generalist Endorsement Standards

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Background: The Middle Childhood Generalist Endorsement Committee met at the request of the Ohio Department of Higher Education. The goal was to examine the current endorsement requirements and determine what updates were required. Discussion included an examination of possible alignment to national specialized association standards (SPA). However, upon examination the committee determined that grade bands within those content standards do not align with the endorsement grade band of 4-6 in the state of Ohio. Given that, the committee decided to keep the language of aligning to Ohio's learning standards.

This endorsement allows a person holding a Middle Childhood license to add either one or both of the remaining core academic area(s). As such, preparation programs are provided with the flexibility to determine what courses meet the requirements, based upon individual campus course availability.

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Middle Childhood Generalist Endorsement Preparation Program Requirements

For each content area of Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts:

- A minimum of six semester hours of study aligned to Ohio Learning Standards for grades 4-6
*Social Studies Content must include Ohio history
- Evidence of preparation in subject matter pedagogy for endorsement content area.