

Ohio ED PREP



Information Update

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NEWS & NOTES

New Beginner's Guide to Educator Preparation Available

New to Educator Preparation administration in Ohio? Need a refresher on Ohio reporting and program review? A new Beginner's Guide to ODHE Ed Prep is [available online](#).

Call for Computer Science Endorsement Committee

ODHE Ed Prep, in partnership with the Center for the Teaching Profession in ODE, is attempting to differentiate between the current Computer/Technology Endorsement and the content needed to teach Computer Science/Coding in schools. To that end, I am soliciting volunteers to serve on a committee to discuss possible standards for a Computer Science/Coding endorsement. Currently, the only traditional path is a full Computer Science teaching license, which is not supplying the number of teachers needed. Please have any interested faculty members (ed prep or computer science) send an email of interest and their CVs to EdPrep@highered.ohio.gov by September 1. The work will launch as soon as a committee is formed.

Senate Bill 216 and House Bill 318 Updates

SB 216 changes the Early Childhood grade bands from P-3 to P-5.

- There is no expectation that you be prepared to license candidates P-5 this coming academic year. I am working on a proposed timeline for your programs now. The timeline

will account for the need to finish out currently enrolled students in the program they started. It will also account for when newly admitted first-year students should be expected to be part of a newly aligned plan of study. Per typical institution rules, the expectation is that students enrolling as new first-year students will be able to complete the program requirements as they were when they entered.

- Because NAEYC does not cover grades 4 & 5, we are exploring the new CAEP Elementary Standards for program alignment.

You will be notified as soon as I have a confirmed timeline and standards. Please do not send requests for information about these items.

HB 318 requires all Early Childhood and Early Childhood Intervention Specialist programs to include instruction on PBIS, social-emotional development, classroom systems for collecting data, responding to unwanted behavior, impact of trauma, etc. The portion that pertains to Ed Prep is on [page 21 of the bill](#). Programs will be expected to begin including this content, if they do not already, beginning fall 2019. There will be a section on the program review form beginning fall 2019 that requests the evidence, similar to the Reading and Opioid sections of the form. I will be meeting with ODE to discuss how ed prep programs may ensure alignment with what schools will be required to do per the new law. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

Teacher Leader Standards Updated, Now Offered at Master's Level

Over the past year, a team of dedicated faculty has been involved in the hard work of updating the Reading Core standards. Programs are asked to align to these standards by fall 2019. The revisions will be reviewed the next time the entire licensure program goes through state review. The revised standards are posted in the [Standards Chart](#) online. No additional review will be required at this time.

In addition to revised standards, the endorsement level of offering has been changed from Post-Master's to Master's level. Code still requires that teachers must have a master's degree to earn the endorsement, but they may be earned concurrently.

Best Practice

Student/Candidate handbooks should contain information about how long the institution will e-sign after a candidate completes a licensure program. Because program requirements change, having a clearly stated policy established by the faculty will minimize the dilemma of whether to e-sign for someone who returns years after completion.

ODE UPDATES

Revised Ohio Standards for Principals Now Posted

The State Board of Education approved the revised Ohio Standards for Principals on July 10. The Ohio Department of Education revised and updated the standards according to recommendations from a network of advisors it had asked to assess the state of principalship in Ohio and map a route for improving principal effectiveness. Revising the prior Ohio Standards for Principals to better reflect responsibilities and define expectations for today's principals has been an ongoing effort involving a writing team, public comment gathering, and reviews by Ohio stakeholder and professional organizations.

The 2018 Ohio Standards for Principals aim to address the needs of building principals and the students they service by emphasizing what is known about the skills and practices of effective school leaders. The 2018 standards display a greater focus on equity and meaningful engagement of families and the community. The revised standards also address additional areas of impact, such as fostering a supportive school community that promotes growth and well-being for students and staff.

- View the [2018 Ohio Standards for Principals](#).
- Please send your questions to: schooladmin@education.ohio.gov.

Praxis Exams

Effective July 1, 2019, candidates who completed Ohio-approved licensure programs but did not obtain an educator license must pass the Ohio Assessment for Educators (OAE) exam(s) required for that license. The Department will no longer accept Praxis exams completed for licensure programs if the licensure candidate did not also receive the correlating license.

Reminder - Middle Childhood Candidates

The temporary option for licensing in only one Middle Childhood content area will be closing July 1, 2019. Any student applying for a Middle Childhood license on or after July 1, 2019, must be eligible for licensing in two content areas in order for the license to be issued.

This temporary option was established in 2013 at the beginning of the implementation of the new middle grades licensure content exams in order to provide transition time to the two content area requirement. Additionally, the middle grades exams have been realigned to the grades 4-9

content. As a result, the option for licensing in only one middle childhood content area will sunset on June 30, 2019.

Updates to CORE

As part of our continuing efforts to provide quality customer service, the Ohio Department of Education's Office of Teacher Licensure has upgraded the CORE online licensure application. It made the enhancements based on requests from the field for a simpler, more user-friendly application process. Features of the upgrades include bundling applications, rather than completing a separate application for each credential; viewing more information from the new Dashboard; and easier payment access. Pilot groups now are testing the upgrades to ensure ease of access for all users. Look for a reminder of these new features closer to the CORE upgrade implementation date.

UPCOMING DEADLINES

Program Review Deadlines ([*Be sure to read the online information.*](#))

SUBMITTED VIA EMAIL:

- Fall Program Review: Due October 15
- Spring Program Review: Due March 15

ODHE Educator Preparation Provide (EPP) Performance Report Schedule

Please send all documents to jmercerhill@highered.ohio.gov

(Note: If a date lands on a weekend, the default will be the nearest subsequent work day.)

Aug 31: Survey closing date for summer: Pre-service Teachers, Principal Interns, Principal Intern Mentors and Employers of Teachers and Principals.

Sept 1: ODHE sends EPPs request for MRS corrections/updates to EPP Profile Summary and List of Approved Programs; ODHE requests survey distribution lists for fall: Pre-service Teachers, Principal Interns, Principal Intern Mentors, and Employers of Teachers and Principals.

Oct 1: Deadline for EPPs to send ODHE the survey distribution lists for fall Pre-service Teachers, Principal Interns, and Principal Intern Mentors.; Metrics Reporting System (MRS) OPENS. Data collection for Sept. 1, 2016 through Aug. 31, 2017 (previous academic year) begins.

Oct 9: Survey opening date for fall Pre-service Teachers, Principal Interns, and Principal Intern Mentors.

For the entire year's EPP schedule, please see the [Transparency & Accountability webpage](#).

RESOURCES

ODHE Ed Prep Website: Everything you need to know about Educator Preparation in Ohio can be found [on the OhioHigherEd website](#).

ODHE Educator Preparation Listserv: Anyone interested in receiving notices about educator preparation program review and approval in Ohio is invited to join the ODHE Educator Preparation listserv. Email Jessica Mercerhill at jmercerhill@highered.ohio.gov to be added.

ODHE Program Finder: ODHE maintains an [online searchable database](#) of Chancellor-approved Educator Preparation Providers.

Free Training Opportunity for Higher Education Faculty: The [Ohio Leadership Advisory Council \(OLAC\)](#) has a variety of free webinars and modules online as well as a calendar of events.

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