Welcome to Credentials Corner!

In this issue of Credentials Corner, you’ll find information about new California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) tools and resources, upcoming webinars, reminders, and events.

Credential and Live Scan Services
San Diego County Office of Education (SDCOE)

Credential Information

NEW Link to Statewide Educator Identifier (SEID) Look-Up Tool

SEIDs are issued by the CTC to all certificated staff (teaching and non-teaching) who have a valid application or hold a valid certificate, permit, or credential maintained by the CTC.
An SEID is used as a unique identifier for an educator for state mandated reporting purposes. The SEID is used for California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System assignment data and other reporting to the California Department of Education. In addition, SEIDs are used in the California Statewide Assignment Accountability System to identify educators and the corresponding credential authorizations.

Please email SEID@ctc.ca.gov if you have any questions or if you would like to request access to CTC Educator Credentialing System SEID Look-Up.

UPDATE — California Statewide Assignment Accountability System (CalSAAS) Assignment Monitoring 2022-23

CalSAAS Assignment Monitoring for the 2022-23 school year is under way. The deadline for initial exception responses for local education agencies was Sept. 30 but remains active to address any returned exceptions. Please check your returned folder. Once returned exceptions are addressed, SDCOE will have until Oct. 30 to accept determinations and finalize. Information and resources on CalSAAS are available on the CTC website.

Please note: If you are a charter school, your charter authority will be accepting or returning exceptions to you for final clean up.

Extension of Education Omnibus Budget Trailer Bill for Substitute Teaching

As of Sept. 21, the Education Omnibus Budget Trailer Bill that allows flexibility for a substitute teacher to be in a classroom over 30 days has been extended until July 1, 2024.

Substitutes may serve for up to 60 cumulative days in the classroom for one teacher of record in either general or special education settings.

Military and Dependent Spouse Teaching and Services Credential Mobility

The CTC may issue a valid credential that allows the holder to provide services in a California public school while they or their spouse or domestic partner is stationed in California for active military duty. The document is issued once and is not renewable. An educator must submit the following:

1. Active, valid, comparable out of state professional teaching or services license or permit
2. Military orders verifying transfer to California and verification confirming spouse or domestic partner status
3. Completed Application Form 41-4
4. Completed 41-LS fingerprints live scan receipt
5. Printout of valid Certificate of Clearance if a Temporary County Certificate is needed

Senate Bill 114 was signed and took effect July 10. For more information, see Credential Information Alert 23-05.
Roadmap to Educational Careers Initiative

The Commission's Roadmap Project was established by the 2022-23 State Education trailer bill with the intent of guiding teacher credential candidates and explain pathways for individuals who are interested in a career in education.

There are eight career counselors who provide support and expertise to aspiring educators as well as educators who want to explore more growth opportunities. Resources and webpages providing information can be found via Roadmap to Teaching.

Career counselors are available via email at careerguidance@ctc.ca.gov.

Upcoming

Upcoming Credentials Webinars

- Oct. 16: Emergency Permits in Depth Webinar from 9 to 10 a.m. via Zoom.

For prior webinars you may have missed, visit our Credentials Tools for District and School Leaders website.

Substitute Teacher and Classified Staff Event

SDCOE will be hosting a substitute teacher and classified staff event Oct. 26 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at our main campus in Linda Vista.

At the event, there will be free fingerprinting offered on a first come, first served basis. Educators can submit their substitute permit application packet as well as meet with participating employers who are recruiting substitute teachers, classroom assistants, and other non-teaching positions. Find more information on the SDCOE website.

SDCOE Careers in Education Job Fair 2024

Save the date! The next SDCOE Careers in Education Job Fair is scheduled for April 20, 2024. The free event will be held at the Liberty Station Conference Center.
Substitute Teacher Training Sessions

SDCOE Substitute Teacher Training gives substitutes useful information, classroom resources, and ideas. The cost is $25 and includes the substitute teacher manual and materials. Register here.

- Nov. 4: Virtual
- Feb. 3: In Person

Friendly Reminders

Obtaining a Temporary County Certificate

Don't forget! SDCOE Credentials office cannot activate a temporary county certificate for an application submitted without a valid CTC Certificate of Clearance or valid document/permit.

The temporary county certificate is a legal document that allows the educator to seek employment while the CTC is processing the application.

Educator Credentialing Assessments

Registration fees for the California education examinations and performance assessments are being waived for eligible California residents to test for free until funds run out. Only individuals with a valid California mailing address may have fees waived for an exam and/or assessment. Applicable exams include but are not limited to Basic Educational Skills Test, Subject Examinations for Teachers, and Teacher of English Learners.

For more information:
- California Educator Credentialing Assessment Website
- California Assessment Fee Waivers Frequently Asked Questions

Local Assignment Option for 2023-24

Don't forget that we are in a new school year and that means all educators who are using an Education Code or Title 5 regulation option to be legally authorized in their assignment must be taken to the board.

If governing board action is necessary and you have not yet taken your Local Assignment Option (board resolutions, committee on assignments, or Title 5) to the board, please do it as soon as you are able. A new teacher consent and board approval must be done annually prior to the assignment. For more information visit Common Local Assignment Options.
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Live Scan Fingerprints: By appointment only. We accept walk-ins (as time permits) on Mondays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (please arrive by 2:30 p.m.) Please check the important notices on the website for closures.

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If you have any questions or comments about Credentials Corner, please email Monica Robinson or Casey Choate at SDCOE Credentials or call 858-298-2194. For credential tools and resources for district and school leaders, see the Local Educational Agency Resources at the SDCOE website.

Get up-to-the-minute information about what's happening at SDCOE and in our districts across the county.