

2023 Kansas Statutes

72-2167. Licensure without teacher preparation program requirements; qualifications; limitations. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Applicant" means a person who:

(A) Is seeking licensure as a teacher at the secondary level in the state of Kansas; and

(B) has provided documentation to the state board verifying that the applicant has secured a commitment from the board of education of a school district to be hired as a teacher in such school district subject to receiving such licensure as a teacher.

(2) "Career technical education" shall have the same meaning as such term is defined in K.S.A. 74-32,407, and amendments thereto.

(3) "Teacher preparation program" means professional education pedagogy coursework provided at an accredited college or university engaged in teacher preparation.

(4) "State board" means the state board of education.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an applicant shall not be required to complete a teacher preparation program prior to licensure as a teacher if such applicant satisfies one of the following:

(1) The applicant holds a valid teaching license from another jurisdiction and has obtained the required scores on the praxis series tests as required by the state board for licensure;

(2) the applicant has obtained an industry-recognized certificate in a technical profession; has at least five years of work experience in such technical profession; and has secured a commitment from the board of education of a school district to be hired as a teacher to teach a career technical education course related to such technical profession; or

(3) the applicant has obtained at least a bachelor's degree in the subject matter area of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, finance or accounting; has at least five years of work experience in such subject matter area; and has secured a commitment from the board of education of a school district to be hired as a teacher to teach in such subject matter area.

(c) An applicant shall only be authorized to teach in the subject or subjects specified on the face of the license.

(d) The state board shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

(e) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the provisions of article 21 of chapter 72 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

History: L. 2014, ch. 93, § 30; May 1.