

REQUEST FOR AN ALTERNATIVE ENTRY LICENSE

(to be submitted with initial application)

last name	first name	middle name	maiden name
social security number	employing school unit	starting date of employment	
area of assignment			

IMPORTANT NOTE: The alternative entry licensure policy expires September 1, 2006.

Statement of Employing School System

We intend to employ this individual in a professional position and request licensure for him/her under the provisions of the alternative entry licensure policy adopted by the State Board of Education in December 1998. In so doing, we affirm that we have determined there is or anticipate there will be a shortage of licensed teachers in the area requested. An evaluation plan, which includes student achievement performance, has been adopted by the local board of education for assessing this individual's competence as a teacher. Alternative entry licensure for one year (or the remainder of the current school year) is requested under the following option:

☐ certification in another state ☐ college/university teaching experience ☐ three years relevant work experience

signature of superintendent or designee

date

Statement of Applicant:

I know and understand that the conditions of the alternative entry licensure option allow me to serve for the current school year (or remainder of the current school year) only.

signature of applicant

date

ALTERNATIVE ENTRY LICENSURE

Alternative entry licenses may be issued to individuals on the recommendation of a local board of education. To do so, the LEA must have determined there is or anticipates there will be a shortage of qualified teachers available for specified subjects or grade levels. The LEA must also have developed a plan to determine the individual's competence as a teacher, including review of the performance of students taught by the individual. The alternative entry license is a one-year (maximum) provisional license.

Eligibility Requirements:

To be issued an alternative entry license the individual must:

1. hold at least a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university, or the equivalent;
2. be eligible for re-employment by his or her prior employer; and
3. qualify under one of the following options:
 - a. hold a valid out-of-state certificate with a minimum of one year classroom teaching experience considered relevant by the local board to the grade or subject to be taught; or
 - b. have at least one year of full-time classroom teaching experience, considered relevant by the local board to the grade or subject to be taught, as a professor, associate professor, assistant professor, instructor, or visiting lecturer at a regionally accredited college or university; or
 - c. have three years of other experience provided the local board determines that both the individual's experience and postsecondary education are relevant to the grade or subject to be taught.

Program Components:

- During the period of employment with an alternative entry license, the individual receives an annual evaluation and multiple observations as prescribed by GS 115C-333(a).
 - The individual's competence as a teacher, including review of the performance of students taught by the individual, is assessed according to the plan developed by the local board.
 - If the individual does not have one year of classroom teaching experience a mentor teacher will be provided by the local board.
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