



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 3302-24-18 Resident educator license.

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(A) The two year resident educator license shall be issued in the areas specified in paragraph (D) of this rule and shall require the license holder to successfully complete the Ohio resident educator program in order to qualify for the professional educator license in the same area(s). The resident educator license shall be issued to an individual who holds a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education, who has successfully completed an approved program of teacher preparation, who is deemed to be of good moral character, who has successfully completed an examination prescribed by the state board of education, who has demonstrated skill in integrating educational technology in the instruction of children, who is prepared to implement evidence-based instructional strategies addressing individual learner differences and employ practices that address the diversity of students' cultures, language origins, and communities, who has been recommended by the dean or head of teacher education at an institution approved to prepare teachers, and who has completed:

- (1) A minimum of twelve semester hours in the teaching of reading, as required in section 3319.24 of the Revised Code, including at least one separate three semester hour course in the teaching of phonics, and coursework on knowledge and beliefs about reading; knowledge base; individual differences; reading difficulties; creating a literate environment; word identification; vocabulary; and spelling; comprehension; study strategies; writing; assessment; communicating information about reading; curriculum development; professional development; research; supervision of paraprofessionals; and professionalism for the primary resident educator license; the middle childhood resident educator license; the elementary and middle education resident educator license; the intervention specialist resident educator license; and
- (2) A minimum of three semester hours on the teaching of reading in the content area that includes instruction in organizing instruction, use of protocols for oral language development, strategies for word skill development, strategies for reading comprehension, and assessment strategies for instructional purposes for the multi-age resident educator license, the adolescence to young adult resident educator license, the secondary resident educator license, and the career-technical resident educator license.

(B) Notwithstanding paragraph (A) of this rule, a two year resident educator license shall be issued to each person who is assigned to teach in the state of Ohio



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as a participant in the teach for America program and who meets the following four conditions:

- (1) The person holds a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education;
  - (2) The person has maintained a cumulative undergraduate grade point average of at least 2.5 out of 4.0, or its equivalent;
  - (3) The person has passed an examination prescribed by the state board of education in the subject area to be taught; and
  - (4) The person has successfully completed the summer training institute operated by teach for America.
- (C) Also notwithstanding paragraph (A) of this rule, a two year resident educator license shall be issued to any applicant who has completed at least two years of teaching in another state as a participant in the teach for America program and who meets all of the conditions specified in paragraphs (B)(1) to (B)(4) of this rule. An applicant under this paragraph will be credited as having completed the teacher residency program under section 3319.223 of the Revised Code.
- (D) Resident educator licenses shall be issued in the following areas:
- (1) Elementary and middle education resident educator license, valid for teaching in grades prekindergarten through eight. A minimum of twelve cumulative semester hours in the teaching of reading as described in section 3319.24 of the Revised Code is required for the elementary and middle education resident educator license, except that this is not a requirement for an elementary and middle education resident educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code.
  - (2) Primary resident educator license, valid for teaching in grades prekindergarten through five. A minimum of twelve cumulative semester hours in the teaching of reading as described in section 3319.24 of the Revised Code as required for the primary resident educator license, except for primary resident educator licenses issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code.
  - (3) Middle childhood resident educator license, valid for teaching in grades four through nine in the curriculum areas named in such license. The



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middle childhood teacher preparation program shall include areas of concentration in at least two of the following: reading and language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies, except that this shall not be a requirement for a middle childhood resident educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code. A minimum of twelve cumulative semester hours in the teaching of reading as described in section 3319.24 of the Revised Code shall be required for the middle childhood resident educator license, except that this shall not be a requirement for a middle childhood resident educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code.

A middle childhood license may be issued in one or more of the concentration areas listed in this paragraph to the holder of a standard teaching certificate or license who has completed an approved middle childhood program and an examination prescribed by the state board of education.

- (4) Adolescence to young adult resident educator license, valid for teaching in grades seven through twelve in the curriculum areas named in such license. Preparation in the teaching field shall constitute at least an academic major or its equivalent with sufficient advanced coursework in all areas to be taught as specified by the teacher preparation institution, except that this shall not be a requirement for an adolescence to young adult resident educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code.

A minimum of three semester hours in the teaching of reading in the content area shall be required for the adolescence to young adult resident educator license, except that this shall not be a requirement for an adolescence to young adult resident educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code. Licenses shall be issued in, but not limited to, the following teaching fields:

- (a) Earth sciences
- (b) Integrated language arts
- (c) Integrated mathematics
- (d) Integrated science
- (e) Integrated social studies



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- (f) Life sciences
  - (g) Physical sciences (individuals may seek licensure in physical sciences: chemistry; physical sciences: physics; or physical sciences: chemistry and physics)
- (5) Secondary resident educator license, valid for teaching in grades six through twelve in the curriculum areas named in such license. Preparation in the teaching field constitutes at least an academic major or its equivalent with sufficient advanced coursework in all areas to be taught as specified by the teacher preparation institution, except that this is not a requirement for a secondary resident educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code. A minimum of three semester hours in the teaching of reading in the content area is required for the secondary resident educator license, except that this is not a requirement for a secondary resident educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code. Licenses are issued in, but not limited to, the following teaching fields:
- (a) Earth sciences
  - (b) Integrated language arts
  - (c) Integrated mathematics
  - (d) Integrated science
  - (e) Integrated social studies
  - (f) Life sciences
  - (g) Physical sciences (individuals may seek licensure in physical sciences: chemistry; physical sciences: physics; or physical sciences: chemistry and physics)
  - (h) Computer science.
- (6) Multi-age resident educator license, valid for teaching in grades prekindergarten through twelve in the curriculum areas named in such license. Preparation in the teaching field shall constitute at least an academic major or its equivalent with sufficient advanced coursework in all areas to be taught as specified by the teacher preparation institution, except that this shall not be a requirement for a multi-age resident



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educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code. A minimum of three semester hours in the teaching of reading in the content area shall be required for the multi-age resident educator license, except that this shall not be a requirement for a multi-age resident educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code.

Licenses shall be issued in, but not limited to, the following teaching fields:

- (a) Computer information science
  - (b) Dance
  - (c) Drama/theater
  - (d) World language
  - (e) Health
  - (f) Library/media specialist
  - (g) Music
  - (h) Physical education
  - (i) Teaching English to speakers of other languages
  - (j) Visual arts
  - (k) Computer science
- (7) Intervention specialist resident educator license, valid for teaching in the areas designated in this paragraph. A minimum of twelve cumulative semester hours in the teaching of reading as described in section 3319.24 of the Revised Code shall be required for the intervention specialist resident educator license, except that this shall not be a requirement for an intervention specialist resident educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code. Licenses shall be issued in the following areas:
- (a) Gifted, valid for teaching learners ages five through twenty-one and in grades kindergarten through twelve;



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- (b) Mild/moderate educational needs, valid for teaching learners ages five through twenty-one and in grades kindergarten through twelve;
  - (c) Moderate/intensive educational needs, valid for teaching learners ages five through twenty-one and in grades kindergarten through twelve;
  - (d) Visually impaired, valid for teaching learners ages three through twenty-one and in grades prekindergarten through twelve;
  - (e) Hearing impaired, valid for teaching learners ages three through twenty-one and in grades prekindergarten through twelve.
  - (f) Primary intervention specialist resident educator license, valid for teaching mild/moderate/intensive educational needs in grades prekindergarten through five and for providing service coordination. A minimum of twelve cumulative semester hours in the teaching of reading as described in section 3319.24 of the Revised Code are required for the primary resident educator intervention specialist license, except for a primary intervention specialist resident educator license issued pursuant to paragraph (B) or paragraph (C) of this rule and section 3319.227 of the Revised Code.
- (8) Dual licensed intervention specialist resident educator license, valid for teaching in the areas designated in paragraphs (D)(7)(a) to (D)(7)(d) of this rule. Licenses are to be issued under this paragraph to individuals who have successfully completed a dual licensure program approved by the Chancellor of the Ohio department of higher education. A dual licensure program includes preparation leading to licensure listed in paragraph (D)(3) or (D)(4) of this rule and preparation as an intervention specialist for students with mild to moderate needs in the same grade band. Licenses issued under this paragraph are only available to be issued with simultaneous issuance of a license listed in paragraph (D)(1) (D)(3) to (D)(5) of this rule. A minimum of twelve cumulative semester hours in the teaching of reading are required as described in section 3319.24 of the Revised Code. Licenses are to be issued in the following areas:
- (a) Middle childhood, valid for teaching mild/moderate or moderate/intensive educational needs in grades four through nine;



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- (b) Adolescence to young adult, valid for teaching mild/moderate or moderate/intensive educational needs in grades seven through twelve;
  - (c) Elementary and middle education, valid for teaching mild/moderate or moderate/intensive educational needs in grades prekindergarten through eight;
  - (d) Secondary, valid for teaching mild/moderate or moderate/intensive educational needs in grades six through twelve;
  - (e) Primary, valid for teaching mild/moderate or moderate/intensive educational needs in grades prekindergarten through five.
- (9) Career-technical resident educator license, valid for teaching in grades four through twelve in the subject areas named in such license. The career-technical resident educator license may be obtained by an individual who holds a bachelors degree, who has successfully completed an approved program of preparation, who has successfully completed an examination prescribed by the state board of education, who has been recommended by the dean or head of teacher education at an institution approved to prepare career-technical teachers and who evidences two years of recent and successful related work experience or the equivalent in the teaching area, or to an individual who meets the requirements specified in paragraph (B) or (C) of this rule. Career-technical resident educator licenses shall be issued in, but not limited to, the following teaching fields:
- (a) Agriscience
  - (b) Integrated business
  - (c) Family and consumer sciences education
  - (d) Technology education
  - (e) Marketing
- (E) A two year resident educator license may be extended by the Ohio department of education on a case by case basis in order to enable the license holder to complete the Ohio resident educator program.