



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3319.27 Alternative principal license.

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(A) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, the state board of education shall adopt rules that establish an alternative principal license. The rules establishing an alternative principal license shall include a requirement that an applicant have obtained classroom teaching experience. Beginning on the effective date of the rules, the state board shall cease to issue temporary educator licenses pursuant to section 3319.225 of the Revised Code for employment as a principal. Any person who on the effective date of the rules holds a valid temporary educator license issued under that section and is employed as a principal shall be allowed to continue employment as a principal until the expiration of the license. Employment of any such person as a principal by a school district after the expiration of the temporary educator license shall be contingent upon the state board issuing the person an alternative principal license in accordance with the rules adopted under this division.

(B) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, the state board shall adopt rules that establish an alternative administrator license, which shall be valid for employment as a superintendent or in any other administrative position except principal. Beginning on the effective date of the rules, the state board shall cease to issue temporary educator licenses pursuant to section 3319.225 of the Revised Code for employment as a superintendent or in any other administrative position except principal. Any person who on the effective date of the rules holds a valid temporary educator license issued under that section and is employed as a superintendent or in any other administrative position except principal shall be allowed to continue employment in that position until the expiration of the license. Employment of any such person as a superintendent or in any other administrative position except principal by a school district after the expiration of the temporary educator license shall be contingent upon the state board issuing the person an alternative administrator license in accordance with the rules adopted under this division.

(C) The state board shall issue an alternative principal or alternative administrator license in accordance with Chapter 4796. of the Revised Code to an applicant if either of the following applies:

(1) The applicant holds a license in another state.



(2) The applicant has satisfactory work experience, a government certification, or a private certification as described in that chapter as a school principal or school administrator in a state that does not issue one or both of those licenses.