

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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NAC 391.111 Qualifications for license; requirements and recognized subjects for endorsement.
(NRS 385.080, 385.110, 391.019)

1. **Except as provided in subsection 3 below, ~~To~~** to receive a license to teach middle school or junior high school education, a person must hold a bachelor's degree or a higher degree from an accredited college or university and have completed:

(a) A program of preparation for teaching middle school or junior high school education which is approved by the Board; or

(b) Twenty-four semester credits of course work in professional education which must include:

(1) Eight semester credits of supervised student teaching in a designated level of middle school or junior high school;

(2) A course in the methods and materials for teaching the major or minor field of specialization at the middle school, junior high school or secondary grade level, or a course in integrated methods at the middle school or junior high school level;

(3) Three semester credits in a course of study regarding education or curricular adaptation for pupils with disabilities or a course of study regarding foundations of education or methods in teaching English language learners;

(4) Six semester credits of course work in at least two of the following areas:

(I) The foundations, history, theory or philosophy of middle school;

(II) The curriculum, pedagogy or assessment for middle school;

(III) Adolescent growth and development;

(IV) The nature and needs of the adolescent, including social, emotional and cultural concerns;

(V) Classroom management strategies;

(VI) School, family and community collaboration; or

(VII) Supervision and evaluation of programs and pupils in a middle school; and

(5) Six semester credits of course work in any of the following subjects:

(I) English as a second language, bilingualism or biculturalism;

(II) Educational technology;

(III) Tests and measurement;

(IV) Educational psychology;

(V) Education of the exceptional child;

(VI) Multicultural education; or

(VII) Educational research.

2. In addition to the requirements set forth in subsection 1, an applicant for a license to teach middle school or junior high school education must have completed 24 semester credits in a major field of endorsement or area of concentration. Subsequent minor fields of endorsement may be added to the license upon verification of 14 semester hours of credit.

3. An applicant who already holds a current, valid Nevada license to teach elementary education, early childhood education, special education, middle school or junior high school, or secondary education may obtain a license or endorsement to teach middle school or junior high school by passing, at the level of competence specified by the Commission, a test on the subject matter of the desired area of endorsement which has been approved by the Commission.

4. A person licensed pursuant to subsection 3 of this section is not required to complete the 8 semester credits of supervised student teaching required by subsection 1.

~~3-~~ **5.** The following subjects are recognized for an endorsement of a license to teach middle school or junior high school education:

(a) Art;

(b) English language arts;

~~(c) World language, as specified in subparagraphs (1) to (14), inclusive, of paragraph (m) of subsection 1 of NAC 391.131;~~

(d) Instrumental and vocal music;

(e) **(d)** Instrumental music;

(f) **(e)** Mathematics;

(g) **(f)** Science;

(h) **(g)** Social science; ~~and~~

(i) **(h)** Vocal music; ~~and~~

(i) World languages, in accordance with paragraph (z) of subsection 1 of NAC 391.131.

~~4.~~ **6.** An endorsement for mathematics requires the completion of three semester credits in a course in college algebra or the concepts of calculus, including, without limitation, an introduction to limits, derivatives and integrals, precalculus or differential calculus, **unless the endorsement is obtained pursuant to subsection 3 of this section.**

~~5.~~ **7.** Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, a major or minor field of endorsement or area of concentration identified in subsection ~~3~~ **5** shall be deemed to be satisfied if the applicant holds a bachelor's degree or a higher degree with a major, minor or area of concentration identified on the official transcript of record conferred by a regionally accredited college or university.

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