

**ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION**

LCB File No. R005-18

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1-3, NRS 391.019.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising the terminology used to describe certain grade levels for purposes relating to licenses to teach in elementary schools; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law establishes the license to teach elementary education as a kind of license that authorizes the holder to teach in any elementary school in the State. (NRS 391.031) Existing regulations additionally establish the professional license as an elementary teacher. (NAC 391.100) This regulation replaces the reference to “kindergarten through eighth grades” with a reference to “elementary grades” for purposes relating to: (1) the authority conveyed by those licenses; and (2) the requirements to obtain the licenses.

Section 1. NAC 391.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.090 An elementary license authorizes the holder to teach all subjects in ~~{kindergarten through eighth grade}~~ *elementary grades* in any:

1. Public school; or
2. Private school licensed in this State.

Sec. 2. NAC 391.095 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.095 To receive an elementary license, a person must hold a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university and must have completed a program of preparation for teaching

in ~~the~~ elementary grades which is approved by the Board. The program must include, without limitation:

1. Thirty-two semester hours of credit in courses in elementary professional education consisting of:

(a) Eight semester hours of credit in supervised student teaching in ~~kindergarten through eighth grade;~~ *elementary grades;*

(b) Nine semester hours of credit in methods of teaching elementary subjects, including, but not limited to, mathematics, science and social studies;

(c) Nine semester hours of credit in the teaching of literacy or language arts; and

(d) Six semester hours of credit in professional education course work which must include course work in at least two of the following subjects:

- (1) Classroom management;
- (2) English as a second language;
- (3) Technology;
- (4) Evaluation of pupils;
- (5) Child development;
- (6) Special education; or
- (7) Social and cultural issues; and

2. Eighteen semester hours of credit which must include at least 6 semester hours of credit in each of the following subject areas:

- (a) Mathematics;
- (b) Science; and

(c) Social studies.

Sec. 3. NAC 391.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.100 To receive a professional license as an elementary teacher, a person must:

1. Meet all requirements for an elementary license;
2. Hold a master's degree in education; and
3. Have 3 years of verified experience as a teacher in ~~kindergarten or any grade through eighth grade~~ *elementary grades* in schools approved by the Department.