

### **R7-2-617. Other Professional Certificates**

- A. All certificates are subject to the general certification provisions in R7-2-607 and the renewal requirements in ~~R7-2-617~~619.
- B. Guidance Counselor Certificate - grades PreK-12
  - 1. The guidance counselor certificate is valid for six years.
  - 2. The requirements are:
    - a. A master's or more advanced degree,
    - b. Completion of a graduate program in guidance and counseling. A valid guidance counselor certificate from another state may substitute for this requirement,
    - c. A valid fingerprint clearance card issued by the Arizona Department of Public Safety, and
    - d. One of the following:
      - i. Completion of a supervised counseling practicum in school counseling;
      - ii. Two years of verified, full-time experience as a school guidance counselor; or
      - iii. Three years of verified teaching experience.
- C. School Psychologist Certificate - grades PreK-12
  - 1. A school psychologist certificate is required for all personnel whose primary responsibility is in the role of a school psychologist providing services that include but are not limited to the duties of student psychoeducational assessment, therapeutic consultation and intervention, and involvement in the process of determination of student disabilities or disorders.
  - 2. The school psychologist certificate is valid for six years.
  - 3. The requirements are:
    - a. A master's or more advanced degree;
    - b. Completion of a graduate program in school psychology consisting of at least 60 graduate semester hours, or completion of a doctoral program in psychology and completion of a re-training program in school psychology from an accredited institution or Board approved program with a letter of institutional endorsement from the head of the school psychology program;
    - c. A supervised internship of at least 1200 clock hours with a minimum of 600 of those hours in a school setting. Three years experience as a certified school psychologist within the last 10 years may be substituted for the internship requirement; and
    - d. A valid fingerprint clearance card issued by the Arizona Department of Public Safety.
  - 4. Any of the following may be substituted for the requirement described in subsection (C)(3)(b):
    - a. Five years experience within the last 10 years working full time in the capacity of a school psychologist in a school setting serving any portion of grades kindergarten through 12; or
    - b. A Nationally Certified School Psychologist Credential; or
    - c. A diploma in school psychology from the American Board of School Psychology.
- D. Arizona School Psychologist Interim Certificate- grades PreK-12  
Repealed Effective January 1, 2014.
- F. Speech-Language Technician - grades PreK-12
  - 1. The speech-language technician certificate is required for school-based speech-language professionals.

2. No new applications for a speech-language technician certificate will be accepted after June 30, 2014.

23. The certificate is valid for six years and may be renewed with the completion of a minimum of 180 clock hours of graduate level coursework in the field of speech pathology, or professional development in the areas of articulation, voice, fluency, language disorders, low incidence disabilities, professional issues and ethics, or service delivery models.

34. The requirements are:

- a. A bachelor's degree from an accredited program in Speech-Language Pathology, Speech-Hearing Sciences, or Communication Disorders;
- b. A minimum of 50 hours of university supervised observation;
- c. A minimum of 150 university clinical clock hours, or 150 clock hours supervised by a master's level licensed speech-language pathologist, or two years' experience as a school speech-language therapist or technician;
- d. A passing score on the speech and language impaired special education portion of the Arizona Teacher Proficiency Assessment; and
- e. A valid fingerprint clearance card issued by the Arizona Department of Public Safety.