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.07 Resident Teacher Certificate.

A. Definitions.

(1) In this regulation, the following terms have the meanings indicated.

(2) Terms Defined.

(a) "Comparable state-approved test" means an assessment, approved by a state certification agency, that tests proficiency in basic skill areas such as reading, writing, and mathematics or in content areas such as English, mathematics, science, and social studies, lists of which are maintained by the Department.

(b) "Clock hours" means hours devoted to instruction and preparation related to teaching, exclusive of internship hours.

B. The Resident Teacher Certificate shall be issued initially for 2 school years and may not be renewed.

C. Except as provided in §D of this regulation, an applicant for a Resident Teacher Certificate shall meet all of the following requirements:

(1) Hold a bachelor or higher degree from an IHE;

(2) Obtain a qualifying score on a Department-approved test in basic skills or a comparable state-approved test in basic skills;

(3) Obtain a qualifying score on a Department-approved content area test or a comparable state-approved content test; and

(4) Present official documentation from the local superintendent of schools of completion of standards-based pre-employment training that includes:

(a) A minimum of 90 hours of study that may consist of a combination of semester hours and clock hours and that are based on Maryland Essential Dimensions of Teaching or the Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium standards and include:

(i) Elementary reading processes and acquisition; or

(ii) Secondary teaching reading in the content areas part I;

(b) Enrollment in a Department-approved alternative preparation program; and

(c) An internship which was part of a Department-approved alternative preparation program.

D. Instead of meeting the requirements in §C of this regulation, an applicant may present official verification from the local superintendent of schools of a valid alternative certificate issued pursuant to an out-of-State program that Maryland accepts under the Interstate Certification Compact.

E. The local superintendent of schools shall file a written request with the State Superintendent of Schools for the issuance of the Resident Teacher Certificate after the applicant has met the requirements under §C of this regulation.

F. An applicant who holds the Resident Teacher Certificate shall be eligible for the Standard Professional Certificate upon receipt by the Department of all of the following items:

- (1) Completion of an approved alternative program as verified by the program provider;
- (2) A qualifying score on the applicable Department-approved pedagogy test; and
- (3) Satisfactory teaching performance during the period of the residency as verified by the local superintendent of schools.