

State of South Dakota – Administrative Rules Regarding School Librarians

24:15:06:17. K-12 library media education endorsement. A K-12 library media education endorsement requires 18 semester hours in library media coursework, to include a library media methodology course, selection of printed and nonprinted media to support the instructional program and emerging technology, integration of multiple sources of information media into the learning process, administration, supervision, evaluation, and management of human and media resources, and cataloging and management of information resources. Study in the developmental characteristics of K-12 learners and a practicum, internship, or student teaching inclusive of K-12 learners is required in addition to the 18 hours, if not previously completed. Verified teaching experience in K-12 library media within the five-year period immediately preceding application may be accepted in lieu of the above field experiences at the equivalency of one year's teaching experience for one semester hour credit for a maximum of three semester hours of the total credit hours required. No state test is required or available to validate this endorsement.

24:53:09:02. Preschool through grade 12 school library media specialist education program. A preschool through grade 12 school library media education specialist program shall comply with all standards in general education and professional education and require coursework sufficient to constitute a major.

The required courses and experiences of a preschool through grade 12 school library media specialist education program shall meet the American Library Association/American Association of School Libraries (ALA/AASL) standards, 2002 edition.

The program shall require candidates to demonstrate the applicable content, pedagogical, and professional knowledge and skills identified in the ALA/AASL standards and to demonstrate competency on the applicable multiple assessment measures of chapters 24:53:04, 24:53:05, and 24:53:06.

State certification may be issued after completion of a master's degree at an American Library Association accredited library school or a National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) approved master's degree designed to prepare school library media specialists.

24:15:03:08. Restrictions on additional authorizations. The following restrictions apply to the granting of additional authorizations completed either through coursework or through verification of having passed the content specific state test:

(1) Grade 5-8 or K-12 education endorsement programs may only be issued on certificates for K-8 elementary education, 5-8 middle level education, 7-12 secondary education, or K-12 education;

(2) Driver education, American Sign Language, K-12 Deaf Education, Braille, K-12 Blind and Visually Impaired, Lakota languages, junior ROTC, English as new language education, birth to age 21 school psychological examiner, **school library/media endorsement programs**, or a principal program may be issued on any certificate or as stand-alone certificates. An English as new language endorsement requires a bachelors degree in education;

(3) A 7-12 education endorsement program may be issued on a 5-8 middle level education certificate, a 7-12 secondary education certificate, a K-8 elementary education certificate, or a K-12 education certificate;

(4) A K-12 blind and visually impaired endorsement program may be issued on a K-12 special education certificate, a K-12 education certificate, a K-8 elementary/special education certificate, a K-8 elementary education certificate, a 5-8 middle level education certificate, or a 7-12 secondary education certificate; and

(5) Education endorsement programs for teachers may not be issued on an instructor's certificate with the exception of an English as a new language endorsement program or a stand-alone school service specialist's certificate, except for the coach education endorsement program.

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