

Wyoming Standard Educator License

Demonstration of Competency

Add Endorsement

Application Packet

 Fees

 Demonstration of Competency - Add Endorsement
 \$100

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PTSB APPLICATION SUBMISSION & PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Tips for Applicants

- Before completing your application, please be sure that you are using Abode to view and complete to application. Please be sure that you have downloaded the fillable application to your computer and saved the application before completing the packet.
- In order for PTSB to better serve you by processing your application quickly and efficiently, it is critical that submitted
 application packets are complete and contain all supporting documentation as outlined in the instructions and on the forms.
- Application processing times vary throughout the year and depend upon whether an applicant is required to submit fingerprint cards or not. Check our current processing time by visiting the PTSB homepage: http://wyomingptsb.com.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to maintain current information (including Name, Mailing Address, Phone Number and Email Address) on file with the Professional Teaching Standards Board.
 - To update your information, please call our office at 307-777-7291 or email us at wyoptsb@wyo.gov.

Application Submission

Step 1 – Complete the Wyoming PTSB Application Form

- Section I Application Information
 - Complete the information as outlined.
 - Section II Licensing and Legal Information
 - Please make sure you carefully read and complete these pages of the application.
 - Any disclosure must be accompanied by a personal statement indicating the circumstances and other related legal documentation (if applicable) to be considered complete. For more information regarding your personal statement, please review the application packet.
 - Failure to disclose will delay your application. This may also lead to a forfeiture of your fee and denial or cancelation of your application.
 - If you have any questions regarding your particular circumstance(s), please contact our office at 307-777-7291.
 - Sign and date the application (typing your name in both fields is accepted as a signature).

Section III – Individual Application Requirements

 Complete all boxes in this section of the application you are filling out. Gather any documentation required and include it with your application.

Step 2 – Submit your complete application packet to PTSB

- Your complete application packet can be submitted by:
 - Email: Please send to wyoptsb@wyo.gov (PTSB's Preferred Method)
 - Fax: 307-777-8718
 - Mail: Professional Teaching Standards Board 2001 Capitol Ave. Emerson Bldg. Room 128 Cheyenne, WY 82002

Step 3 – Payment

- Fee amounts are listed on the front page of each individual application packet as well as below.
- All fees are non-refundable.
- The fees may be paid by personal checks, money orders, cashier's checks, and credit cards.
 - If you would like to pay with a credit card, please indicate this in the body of your email, or include a note with your application packet. You will receive an invoice by email that you can securely pay online. (*PTSB's Preferred Method*)
 - If you would like to pay with a check or money order, please make it payable to PTSB or Professional Teaching Standards Board. Checks and money orders can be sent directly to PTSB at:

Professional Teaching Standards Board 2001 Capitol Ave. Emerson Bldg. Room 128 Cheyenne, WY 82001

Help Us Avoid Processing Delays

Our goal is to process your application and issue your Educator License in a timely manner. To do that, we ask that you submit your application packet with **complete and accurate information**. If an application is received incomplete, you will receive a 30 Day Notice notifying you of your missing requirements. If the missing item(s) are not received within the 30 days, your application will be canceled, and your fee will be forfeited. As a reminder, all fees are non-refundable.

Wyoming PTSB Application Form

This form is required for EVERY application.

You must submit this form with your complete application packet or your application will not be processed.

I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Legal Last Name (R			equired) Legal First Name (Required) MI			Maiden / Other Name				
Address							Date of Birth			
Mailing Add	ress:									
City:			State:	Zip Code:			Gender (Optional)			
								🗌 Male 🛛 Female		
E-Mail Add	ress:			Pł	none:					
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Ethnicity (Optional)		 American Indian or Alaska Native Anglo, Caucasian, White, not of Hispanic origin Asian, Japanese, Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, Filipino 			Black, African American, not of Hispanic origin Hispanic, Chicano, Cuban, Puerto Rican, Latino, Mexican American Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander					
Please verify the following information:										
Yes 🗌	No Are you legally eligible to work in the United States?									
Yes 🗌	No		Are you a military service member as defined in W.S. 33-1-116(a)(ii)?							
Yes 🗌	No		Are you the spouse of a military service member as defined in W.S. 33-1-117(a)(v)?							
			Are you currently employed as an educator in Wyoming? (Teacher, Substitute, Administrator, Related Services, or Coach)							
			District and School:	-	- (
Yes 🗌	No									
			Subject(s) and Grade Level(s) (if applicable):							

II. LICENSING AND LEGAL INFORMATION

IMPORTANT: Failure to answer any of the licensing and legal questions in a truthful and <u>complete</u> manner or failure to provide truthful information or supporting documents could lead to your application being cancelled and fee forfeited. Failure to answer could also lead to disciplinary action toward any PTSB license or permit you possess.

All conduct must be disclosed. Even if:

- It happened more than 10 years ago
- It happened in another state, federal court, tribal, military, or jurisdiction outside the United States
- You did not go to court and your attorney went for you
- You did not go to jail or the sentence was only a fine or probation
- You received a certificate of rehabilitation Note: If your conviction was later dismissed, expunged, set aside, or the sentence was suspended, you may be required to provide court documentation verifying the final disposition.

What to include in your personal statement:

- Detailed explanation of each question marked "yes" on page 4
- Dates and locations
- Final disposition and/or what was done to resolve the situation
- Documentation regarding:
 - Disposition of arrest and/or conviction
 - Any investigation or discipline on a professional license

Below are examples of personal statements:

Acceptable:

"I was arrested for shoplifting in May of 1983. I was sentenced to pay restitution and received a fine of \$300. I paid the restitution and fine and my case was closed. I contacted the court and was told my records are no longer available because the arrest happened over 30 years ago. The court provided me with the attached document which verifies that my records are no longer available." *Applicant Signature*

Unacceptable:

"I was convicted of a DUI in April 2003. Everything has been taken care of, and my case has been closed." Applicant Signature

For more information, see the Licensing and Legal FAQs at http://wyomingptsb.com/frequently-asked-questions/faq-legal/

II. LICENSING AND LEGAL QUESTIONS [Required]

WARNING: Answers to the following questions are required. For each question that applies to you, you must answer "yes", EVEN IF you have already answered "yes" in a previous application. Answering "yes" does not lead to the automatic denial of your application. If you answer "yes" to any question, you must submit a signed personal statement and supporting documents (if applicable) even if you have previously submitted a statement.								
1	Yes	No	Have you ever had any license, permit, or certificate from ANY professional licensing authority (education, nursing, speech-language pathology, etc.) suspended, revoked, voided, canceled, denied, rescinded, rejected, and/or otherwise taken away in Wyoming, any other state, or elsewhere?					
2	Yes	No □	Is there any action or investigation pending against a license, permit, or certificate held by you from ANY professional licensing authority in Wyoming, any other state, or elsewhere?					
3	Yes	No	Have you ever resigned, been disciplined, discharged, or asked to resign or retire from a professional position or military service because of allegations of misconduct , or is any such action pending? IMPORTANT: This includes discipline for failure or refusal to fulfill an employment contract.					
4	Yes	No 🗌	 Have you ever been investigated, arrested, taken into custody, cited, charged, indicted, tried, pleaded guilty to, or convicted of a felony or misdemeanor, or been found to have committed a probation or parole violation? Exclude minor traffic violations such as infractions, parking tickets, and speeding tickets. IMPORTANT: In responding to this question, include any pending investigation or charge. Include all cases from federal, state, local, tribal, and military tribunals. You must also include all cases that were settled or closed by a withheld judgement or through retained jurisdiction, etc., or handled through juvenile proceedings. Even if you pleaded nolo contendere (no contest) you must disclose this. DUI's or careless driving tickets stemming from a DUI are <u>NOT</u> considered minor traffic violations and must be reported. 					
5	Yes	No	Is there any information not disclosed by your answers concerning your background, history, experience, education, or activities which may have some bearing on your character, moral fitness, or ability to hold a license, permit, or certificate in Wyoming and which should be placed at the disposal or brought to the attention of the Wyoming Professional Teaching Standards Board?					

BEFORE SIGNING, CHECK PAGES 3 AND 4 FOR COMPLETENESS:

- Personal information with correct Mailing Address, Phone Number, E-Mail Address, and Date of Birth filled in on page 3
- All Legal questions marked "yes" or "no" on page 4
- Signed, detailed personal statement attached (if applicable)
- Court documents (if applicable)

I attest and affirm that all statements made by me on this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that penalties, which may include revocation, suspension, denial, or refusal to renew, will be imposed under WS § 21-2-802 and PTSB Rules & Regulations, for making any false statement(s) on this application or required documents.

Applicant Signature (Printed/Typed) _____

Date _____

III. DEMONSTRATION OF COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS [Required]

This section is Wyoming's alternative route for adding an endorsement in a content area

I would like to add an endorsement through a **Demonstration of Competency**.

A Demonstration of Competency (DOC) is Wyoming's **alternative route** for adding an endorsement in the desired content area. Endorsements added via DOC have the same validity dates as the license to which they are added. To qualify under this route, an applicant may be eligible to utilize previously completed college coursework in the specific endorsement area for which the applicant is applying, in conjunction with passing a PTSB-approved exam.

The Demonstration of Competency can only be used to add an endorsement at the grade level for which the applicant holds a valid and current license. The following endorsements <u>cannot</u> be added via DOC:

- Elementary Education
- School Administrator (District Superintendent, School Principal, Program Director/Coordinator)
- Related Services (School Psychologist, School Counselor, and School Social Worker)
- Categorical Special Education fields (see requirements for Exceptional Generalist below)

The following requirements must be met to add an endorsement via DOC:

27 semester hours of college coursework from a regionally accredited institution of higher education, in the specific content area for which the

applicant is seeking an added endorsement (multiply quarter hours by 2/3 to convert to semester hours).

□ Nine (9) of the 27 semester hours must have been completed within the past five (5) years.

- A maximum of three (3) semester hours may be in pedagogy and must be at the grade level of the endorsement sought.
- Only coursework with a grade of "C" or better, including a maximum of six (6) credits of "pass" grades equivalent to a "C" or better, will be accepted.
- Receive a passing score on a PTSB approved Praxis II exam (or OPI exam for foreign language applicants) for the requested endorsement area

The following requirements must be met to add a Special Education – Generalist endorsement via DOC

- □ Nine (9) of the 27 semester hours must have been completed with the past five (5) years.
- □ A maximum of three (3) semester hours may be in pedagogy and must be at the grade level of the endorsement sought.
- Only coursework with a grade of "C" or better, including a maximum of six (6) credits of "pass" grades equivalent to a "C" or better, will be accepted.
- C Receive a passing score on a PTSB approved Praxis II exam (or OPI exam for foreign language applicants) for the requested endorsement area.
- The required 27 semester credit hours must demonstrate competency in cross-categorical standards, and include course work in:
 - 1. Assessment
 - 2. Instructional Strategies for Students with Disabilities
 - 3. Behavior and Classroom Management
 - 4. Special Education Law
- Practicum The applicant must have completed a practicum supervised by an institution of higher education, which includes a minimum of two (2) semester hours at each grade endorsement level, and was completed within five (5) years prior to the date of application
 - OR
- Experience The applicant may substitute work experience for the practicum requirement. The applicant must have completed one (1) year of successful teaching experience:
 - o In a cross-categorical special education setting
 - o At the grade level(s) for which the endorsement is being sought, as verified by a supervisor's formal evaluation
 - Within the five (5) years prior to the date of application

Helpful Tips

- Foundation or elective courses will not be accepted (i.e., ENGL 1010 or 1020 for English, MATH 1000 or 1400 for Math 6-12)
- Coursework taken through the University of Wyoming College of Education or Division of Kinesiology & Health numbered 4740 or 5959 will not be accepted
- Review the Praxis "Test At-a-Glance" Test Preparation Materials for guidelines regarding content in each endorsement area at <u>www.ets.org/praxis</u>
- If you are applying for an endorsement in Social Studies Comprehension, courses in the following area(s) is required:
 - Geography
 - EconomicsPolitical Science
 - Political Science
 United States His
 - United States History
 World History
 - World History

IV. DEMONSTRATION OF COMPETENCY WORKSHEET

Please fill out the worksheet below with coursework you would like to have evaluated in order to get customized feedback about which courses will count, and specific guidance on remaining requirements before adding this endorsement.

For more tips, visit the Demonstration of Competency FAQs at http://wyomingptsb.com/wp-content/uploads/misc/Demonstration-of-Competency-FAQs.pdf

Demonstration of Competency Worksheet (If additional lines are needed to add coursework you may print multiple copies of this worksheet)						
Applicant's Name (Required)		PTSB ID# (Required)				
Endorsement Area Seeking:		Grade Level Seeking:				
Course Prefix & #	Course Title	Accredited Institution	Grade	Credit	Year/Term	
EX: POLS 1000	American and Wyoming Government	University of Wyoming	А	3	2012/Fall	

VERIFICATION OF REQUESTED OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS

For more information on submitting transcripts please visit: http://wyomingptsb.com/licensure/becoming-licensed/official-transcripts/ Transcripts are required from <u>ALL</u> institutions attended.

Applicant's Legal Name (Required)					
Mailing Address					
Street:		City:		State:	Zip:
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Telephone No.			E-Mail Address		
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Primary:	Work:				

ATTENTION: If you were enrolled under a different name (first or last) while attending any of the colleges or universities listed below, make sure to indicate it below or the application process will be delayed.

Official Electronic Transcripts:

Electronic transcript must be sent to PTSB directly from the college/university. Please have electronic transcripts emailed to <u>ptsbtranscripts@wyo.gov</u>.

Official Hard Copy Paper Transcripts:

• Official hard copy paper transcripts must be included with your paper application.

NOTE: If you submit official hard copy transcripts separate from your application packet or transcripts from ALL institutions attended are not received, your application will be considered incomplete, delaying the application process.

Date Requested Hard Co Include		Electronic	College/University Name	Name while Attending
EX: 01/01/2017		\square	University of Wyoming	Mickey Mouse