

Professional Teaching Standards Board

Endorsement Guide to Endorsement – Assignment Matches

The Professional Teaching Standards Board is authorized to set licensure requirements for school personnel.

The board shall promulgate rules and regulations:

(i) For the certification of school administrators, teachers, and other personnel to require either examination in specified subjects or the completion of courses in approved institutions, or both. (W.S. 21-2-802, (a), (i))

The Wyoming Department of Education monitors assignments to assure that assignments match licensure requirements in each specific endorsement area. This is accomplished through the annual WDE 602 report.

The assignments listed are the most common courses taught in Wyoming public schools. At times, a district may create a course that does not fit in the traditional endorsement-assignment list. If there is a question as to what teacher preparation is needed to match with a more non-traditional course, please submit to the PTSB the standards for the course in order for PTSB to determine which endorsement is the best match.

- Teachers who hold a valid and current license in grades 5-8 or 6-12 may teach career counseling, exploration, and planning in the content area in which they hold an endorsement(s).
- Tutors are only required to hold a valid and current Wyoming Standard license per Wyoming Statute. PTSB does not have a specific endorsement for school tutors. It is up to the hiring school district to decide on the assignment of that tutor.

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| Adapted Physical Education K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | AP6, AP8, AP7, or APE | APE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • APE |
| Agriculture 6-12 | ARG | VCS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture • Career counseling, exploration, and planning in Agriculture • Welding for Agriculture Applications |
| American Indian Children K-12 | AIC | NLA (Native Lang-Arapahoe) NLS (Native Lang-Shoshone) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native Language-Arapaho or Shoshone • Native Culture |
| Anthropology 6-12 | SAN | SAN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anthropology |
| Art K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | AR6, AR8, AR7, or ART | ART VCD (Vocational-Graphic Arts) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art • Graphic Design |
| Alternative Teacher/ At-Risk 6-12 | ALT | ALT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required to be employed by an alternative school (school must be identified as an alternative school or setting by WDE) • Must hold current and valid licensure in 5-8 or 6-12 • May teach any course in an identified alternative school setting • Must teach at least one (1) class in endorsed area |

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| Biology 6-12 | BIS | BIS Integrated Science: SCG | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • Integrated/General Science (an inquiry and basic introduction course, 6-9 only) • Life Sciences, A&P • Anatomy • Zoology • Botany • Environmental Science if addressing state Biology content standards |
| Business Education 6-12 | BUS | VCE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business • Accounting • Technology courses teaching business software applications and keyboarding • Economic systems and institutions |
| Chemistry 6-12 | PCH | PCH Integrated Science: SCG | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemistry • Physical Science • Integrated/General Science (an inquiry and basic introduction course, 6-9 only) |
| Computer Science Education K-6, 5-8, 6-12, or K-12 | CS5, CS6, CPS, or CSE | VCN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computer programming and software development • How computers work – fixing and maintaining hardware • Coding and computer languages • Courses designated by WDE with CS SCED codes require CS endorsement • Computer Science at Elementary if offered as a separate (specials) class |

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| Director K-6, 6-12, K-12 (Director-level includes Principal, Director) | DI6, DI7, or DIR | DIR | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Endorsement required if supervising licensed staff (Principal endorsement will also work) |
| Drama/Theatre 6-12, K-12 | DRA or DRM | DRA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drama Speech Debate |
| Dual Language Immersion K-12 | DLI | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employed to teach in a Wyoming district offering a Dual Language Immersion program Must also be eligible to obtain a Standard License in another content area |
| Early Childhood Birth-Age 8 (or 3 rd grade) | ECB | ELO | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Childhood PK Elementary Education K-3 |
| Early Childhood Special Education Birth - Age 5 | ECX | XEL | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Special Education for PK & KG only Kindergarten <i>for students on IEPs</i> |
| Early Childhood (Preschool) Birth-Age 5 | ECE | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excludes Kindergarten Pre-K Only |
| Earth & Space Science 6-12 | PES | PES Integrated Science: SGC | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Astronomy Geology Earth Science Integrated/General Science (an inquiry and basic introduction course, 6-9 only) Environmental Science if addressing state Earth and Space Science content standards |

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| Economics 6-12 | SEC | SEC | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economics |
| Educational Diagnostician K-12 | EDD | XDD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Performs assessment to identify/evaluate/reevaluate students with disabilities Requires EDD endorsement or master's in Special Education Diagnostics |
| Elementary Education K-6 | ELO | ELO | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> District may apply for a waiver for K-6 certified teachers assigned to teach grades 7-8 in small, rural schools (up to 49 students). Note: For the school to be considered rural, the school must be isolated and a distance from a larger town. May teach Music, PE, Art, Computers, Library, World Language, etc. <u>in assigned self-contained elementary classroom</u> – <i>may not teach these courses to students outside the teacher's assigned classroom</i> All core content to his/her class In a Title I school, a teacher w/Elementary Education endorsement may be assigned as a Title I Reading teacher or a Title I Math teacher |
| English 6-12 | ENG | ENG | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Drama Debate/Speech Journalism/Newspaper/Yearbook Reading, if integrated into the curriculum: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a Reading Endorsement is required if Title I funding is received or if remedial or specialized reading instruction is provided for struggling readers |

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| English as a Second Language K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | ES6, ES8, ES7, or ESL | ESL | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English as a Second Language |
| Exceptional Generalist K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | 6SE, 8SE, 7ES, or XSE | XEL (Elem grades) XAS (Sec grades) May also use code for a specialized area | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students on an IEP and identified as having a physical, medical, learning, visual, hearing, cognitive, or behavioral disability This is a <u>cross-categorical endorsement</u> |
| Exceptional Specialist: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Behavior & Emotional Disabilities Cognitive Disability (MR) Learning Disability Physical & Health Disabilities K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | 6ED, 8ED, 7ED, or XED 6MR, 8MR, 7MR, or XMR 6LD, 8LD, 7LD, or XLD 6PH, 8PH, 7PH, or XPH | XXB | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students on an IEP identified as having a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> behavioral or emotional disability, cognitive disability, learning disability and/or physical or medical disability |
| Exceptional Specialist – Deaf & Hard of Hearing K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | 6DE, 8DE, 7DE, or XDE | XXD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students on an IEP and identified as having a hearing disability |
| Exceptional Specialist – Visual Disability K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | 6VH, 8VH, 7VH, or XVH | XXV | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students on an IEP and identified as having a visual disability |

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| Family & Consumer Sciences 6-12 | HME | HME | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Development • Nutrition or Culinary Arts • Health as related to Nutrition • Family Budgeting/Finances • Fashion & Design • Hospitality and Tourism • Career counseling, exploration, and planning in areas of FCS |
| Geography 6-12 | SGE | SGE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geography |
| Gifted and Talented K-12 | GFT | GAT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endorsement required if a class or self-contained classroom titled Gifted & Talented • Endorsement not required if not titled Gifted & Talented (i.e., “Enrichment”) or if students do not receive credit/grades |
| Health 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | HE8, HEA, or HEK | HEA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health • Health Careers • Career counseling, exploration, and planning in Health |
| History 6-12 | HIS | SUS SWR | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US History • World History |

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| Institutional Teacher | INT | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employed to teach in a Wyoming institution/private facility school • Required to hold a valid and current Wyoming Educator license. • May teach in all content areas • Must be endorsed in at least one (1) additional content area |
| Instructional Technology K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | IT5, IT6, IT7, or IET | VCF VCW COM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using technology in the classroom • Technology software applications in classroom instruction • Instructional design using technology • Digital Communications • STEM at the Elementary & Middle School grades as a separate (specials) class |
| Journalism 6-12 | JRN | JRN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Journalism • Newspaper • Broadcasting • Yearbook • Electronic Media • Photography • Career counseling, exploration, and planning in areas of Journalism • Any kind of media area |

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| Language Arts 5-8 | MLA | ENG | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Language Arts Drama Debate/Speech Journalism/Yearbook/Newspaper Reading if integrated into the curriculum. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a Reading Endorsement is required if Title I funding is received or if remedial or specialized reading instruction is provided for struggling readers |
| Library Media K-12 | LIM | LIM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research Media This endorsement is required for at least one Librarian in the district The endorsed Librarian can supervise other educators in this position in the district |
| Math 5-8, 6-12 | MMA or MAT | MAT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Math |
| Music K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | MU6, MU8, MU7, or MUS | MUS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music Instrumental Music Vocal Music |
| Music Instrumental K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | MI6, MI8, MI7, or MIK | MIK | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instrumental Music |
| Music Vocal K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | MV6, MV8, MV7, or MVK | MVK | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vocal Music |
| Physical Education K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | PE6, PE8, PE7, or PED | PED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> P.E. Misassigned if teaching Adaptive P.E. Health if integrated into the P.E. curriculum |

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| Physical Science 6-12 | PSC | PSC Integrated Science: SCG | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical Science Physics Chemistry Integrated/General Science (an inquiry and basic introduction course, 6-9 only) |
| Physics 6-12 | PPH | PPH Integrated Science: SCG | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physics Physical Science Integrated/General Science (an inquiry and basic introduction course, 6-9 only) |
| Political Science 6-12 | SPO | SPO | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political Science/Civics/Government |
| Principal K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | PR6, PR8, PR7, or PRI | PRI | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principal or Assistant Principal at the appropriate grade level Director |
| Psychology 6-12 | PSY | PSY | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Psychology |
| Reading K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | 6RE, 5RE, 7RE, or REA | REA RES | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remedial Reading K-12, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Title I is a federal program to assist under-resourced students who may fall behind. The federal law requires a reading endorsement for Title I from grades 6-12. Title I Reading above 6th grade Reading Endorsement is for reading specialists and is not intended for teaching reading to all students Students identified as having reading difficulties –determined to need tier 3 intervention <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A tier 3 intervention is usually the last effort prior to evaluations for Special Education. This is a remedial effort. |

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| School Counselor K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | CO6, CO8, CO7, or COU | COU | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Counselor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not interchangeable with School Social Worker. Both can provide counseling but cannot perform all of the same functions. |
| School Psychologist K-12 | SPS | SPS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Psychologist |
| School Social Worker K-12 | SSW | SSW | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Social Worker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not interchangeable with School Counselor. Both can provide counseling but cannot perform all of the same functions |
| Science 5-8, 6-12 | MMS or SGN | SCM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any science in grades 5-8 or 6-12 |
| Social Studies Comprehensive 5-8, 6-12 | MMS or SSC | Must identify by discipline: PSY-Psychology SAN-Anthro SEC-Economics SGE-Geography SPO-Political Sci SSO-Sociology SUS-US History SWR-World Hist | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> History (World and US) Geography Economics Political Science/Civics/Government Psychology Sociology Anthropology General Social Studies |
| Sociology 6-12 | SSO | SSO | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sociology |
| Speech 6-12 | SPE | SPE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speech Debate Drama |
| Superintendent K-12 | SUP | SUP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Superintendent Principal or Assist Principal Director |

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| Trade and Technical (Industrial Arts) 6-12 | TRT | Code based on career cluster: VCR-Manufact VCV-Tran/Dist VCB-Arch/Const VCS-Marketing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trade and Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Architecture and Construction Manufacturing Marketing, Sales, & Service Transportation, Distribution & Logistics Career counseling, exploration, and planning in areas of Trade and Technical Education |
| Virtual Educator | VRE | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designates a full-time virtual educator Not required to be a virtual educator |
| Work Based Learning Coordinator | WLB | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides supervision and grades for students in work-based learning opportunities in the community Must additionally hold a CTE endorsement or PIC permit |
| World Language K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chinese French German Italian Japanese Latin Russian Spanish | WC5, WC6, WC7, WCH WF5, WF6, WF7, WFR WG5, WG6, WG7, WGE WI5, WI6, WI7, WIT WJ5, WJ6, WJ7, WJA WL5, WL6, WL7, WLA WR5, WR6, WR7, WRU WS5, WS6, WS7, WSP | Code based on language: ASL- American Sign Language FCH-Chinese FFR-French FGR-German FIT-Italian FJP-Japanese FLA-Latin FRU-Russian FSP-Spanish | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific world language in which the endorsement is current and valid |

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| PTSB Permits | | | |
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| Permit Types | PTSB Endorsement Code | WDE Assignment Code | ASSIGNMENT(S) (Assignments must match the grade level in which the endorsement is held.) |
| Classroom Substitute | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sub in any classroom at the grade level in which they are endorsed |
| Driver's Education 6-12 | DRE | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May teach Driver's Ed for 3 years without being endorsed or holding a permit in Driver's Education (W.S. 21-7-303 (c)) |
| Educational Sign Language Interpreter K-6, 5-8, 6-12, K-12 | SL5, SL6, SL7, SLI | XHD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permit required for all Educational Sign Language Interpreters as of July 1, 2011 |
| Native Language | NLA OR NLS | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shoshoni or Arapahoe language |
| School Nurse K-12 | SNR | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May teach health related classes and Health Careers <u>if supervised by a certified teacher</u> |

| Internship Permits | | | |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> District Superintendent K-12 Program Director/Coordinator/Supervisor K-12 School Principal K-12 School Counselor K-12 School Psychologist K-12 School Social Worker K-12 | SUP DI6, DI7, DIR PR6, PR7, PRI CO6, CO8, CO7, COU SPS SSW | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interns are required to be supervised by a professional who is fully licensed in the same endorsement area in which the internship permit is issued. |

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| PICs align with the 16 clusters of the Career-Technical Education Program | | | |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Architecture and Construction • Arts, A/V Technology & Communications • Communications • Education and Training • Finance • Government & Public Administration • Health Science • Hospitality and Tourism • Human Services • Information Technology • Law, Public Safety & Security • Manufacturing • Marketing, Sales & Service • Science, Technology, Engineering & Math • Trade & Technical • Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | T02 T03 T18 T05 T06 T07 T08 T09 T10 T11 T12 T13 T14 T15 T19 T16 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specific teaching areas/endorsements under each of the 16 clusters will be listed on the Permit document commensurate with the applicant's qualifications • Career counseling, exploration and planning in the specific endorsement area held |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agriculture, Food, & Natural Resources• Business, Management, & Administration• Family & Consumer Sciences | T01 T04 T17 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• See the specific Endorsement for assignment matches• Career counseling, exploration, and planning in the specific endorsement area held |

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| OBSOLETE ENDORSEMENTS | ASSIGNMENT(S) |
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| Professional, Industry, and Careers Permit (PIC) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PTSB has aligned PICs with the 16 CTE clusters. PICs issued prior to this alignment will remain in effect – and will be issued with the same endorsement(s) if the permit does not lapse • Endorsements that are no longer issued are valid and will continue to be issued IF the applicant maintains a current and valid license or permit. If a license or permit with an obsolete endorsement lapse, it cannot be issued by PTSB again |
| Industrial Arts has been changed to Trade & Technical, 6-12 (Holders of the endorsement Industrial Arts will be issued a Trade & Technical endorsement upon renewal) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woods • Welding • Technology applications • Trade and Technical |
| Institutional Administrator K-12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative position in a WDE recognized Wyoming institution |
| Middle School Generalist, 5-8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any subject in grades 5-8 |
| Marketing 6-12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marketing • Finance • Business as it relates to finance and marketing • Economics • Family Budgeting |
| School Nurse K-12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May teach health-related classes • Career counseling, exploration, and planning in Health |
| Speech Pathologists K-12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speech Pathologist • Now licensed through SLP Board |