

New Business Item 17-06

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TITLE: Revision of Requirements for Adding the Field of Early Childhood Education PK-3 to an Existing Hawaii License

The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board approves the following policy for adding the field of Early Childhood Education to an existing Hawaii license:

Any individual adding the fields of Early Childhood Education (ECE) PK-3 and Early Childhood Education PK-K to an existing Hawaii teaching license must complete a state approved teacher preparation program in ECE and be recommended for licensure on the HTSB's program completer form for Hawaii preparation programs or on the Educator Preparation Program Recommendation Form for out of state ECE programs.

Preparation programs are encouraged to use clinical experience "Option B" to evaluate individuals with existing coursework and experience in prescribing requirements for program completion.

Any application to add these fields submitted prior to September 8, 2017, may be processed and approved under regulations existing prior to this date.

The Board limits the options for adding the field of ECE based on the request by the Executive Office on Early Learning, the HTSB Workgroup on Early Childhood Education, and testimony from ECE teachers and administrators in the field.

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Referred to: Teacher Standards Committee