



ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Commissioner

To obtain a Lifetime Teaching License, an applicant shall meet the following requirements:

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of Education</p> <p>Dr. Naccaman Williams
<i>Springdale</i>
Chair</p> <p>Dr. Ben Mays
<i>Clinton</i>
Vice Chair</p> <p>Sherry Burrow
<i>Jonesboro</i></p> <p>Jim Cooper
<i>Melbourne</i></p> <p>Brenda Gullett
<i>Fayetteville</i></p> <p>Sam Ledbetter
<i>Little Rock</i></p> <p>Alice Mahony
<i>El Dorado</i></p> <p>Toyce Newton
<i>Crossett</i></p> <p>Vicki Saviers
<i>Little Rock</i></p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Hold a current, or expired, standard Arkansas teaching license at the time he/she turns 62;2. Either has worked in an educational setting while maintaining an Arkansas teaching license OR has made significant contributions to education, educational research, or the profession of teaching. Verification must be provided on letterhead signed by appropriate official;3. Has a non-criminal background check on file that is less than a year old at the time of application.4. Has requested and cleared a child maltreatment central registry check through the Arkansas Department of Human Services. Results of the central registry check shall be less than one (1) year old at time of application. |
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The holder of a Lifetime Teaching License is not required to renew the license. Professional development will not be required unless the holder of this license becomes employed full- or part-time by a school district, education services cooperative or the Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) in a position for which sixty (60) hours of professional development is required annually. If the license holder has not taught or been employed in an educational setting for one (1) or more years, he or she is required to provide ADE with verification of twenty (20) hours of relevant professional development prior to reentering the educational setting.

A lifetime teaching license holder is eligible to service a school district, educational services cooperative or ADE in the following capacities: substitute, tutor, Pathwise mentor or monitor, Praxis III assessor or assessor trainer, test investigator, scholastic audit consultant, contract teacher, and other capacities as defined by ADE. If the applicant becomes the teacher of record and on contract with a district, he/she shall participate in the professional development program required by the hiring district.

If you qualify and are interested in applying for this license, complete the enclosed application and send it to ADE for processing. Forms to complete the background check are also included. You may call (501) 682-4342 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Ron Tolson, Coordinator
Professional Licensure

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