

Licensure Exceptions and AQT

2016-17 School Year Guidance

Arkansas Department of Education



Licensure Exceptions

- Documenting “Licensure Exceptions”
 - School districts will document licensure exceptions in eSchool using the new “Licensure Exception” field.
 - This field will default to “NA” and is only used when a teacher is assigned to a grade level or course for which he or she is not licensed to teach.
 - A drop-down menu lists the ‘exceptions’



Arkansas Qualified Teacher

Highly Qualified Teacher (HQT) has been rescinded by ESSA.

– Rules Governing AQT Requirements

- Contains Definitions, Requirements, Forms

[http://www.arkansased.gov/public/userfiles/rules/Current/2016/ADE 342 Arkansas Qualified Teacher.pdf](http://www.arkansased.gov/public/userfiles/rules/Current/2016/ADE_342_Arkansas_Qualified_Teacher.pdf)



Arkansas Qualified Teacher

AQT applies only in 2 situations...

...when teaching a Core Academic Subject Area class...

(a) for which licensure is required but where the license requirements have been legally waived,

- 1. Act 1240 of 2015 Approval to Waive Licensure
- 2. Charter School Approval to Waive Licensure
- 3. School of Innovation Approved Waiver of Licensure, or

(b) in **Special Education or in an **Alternative Learning Environment (A.L.E.)****



Core Academic Subject Areas

- Early Childhood/Elementary
- English/Language Arts
- Foreign Language
- Social Studies
- Art
- Music
- Science
- Mathematics



Course Code Management System

Search by Course Code, Course Name, Subject Area, Licensure Code

AQT: All State Grad: All Smart Core: All EOC: All Grade Low: All Grade High: All

Search

Sort By: Code Name

Export to Excel

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Social Studies 5-8 (combination)

— Details

Subject Area: Grade 5-8

Grade Low: 5

Grade High: 8

AQT: ✓

State Grad Req: ✗ Above State Requirements Only

Smart Core: ✗ No Credit

End of Course: ✗

Licensure Code: 002,106,107,150,159,167,183,184,185,7015,7030,7060,7065,7065a,253,256

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Physical Education 5- 8 (combination)

— Details

Subject Area: Grade 5-8

Grade Low: 5

Grade High: 8

AQT: ✗

State Grad Req: ✗ Above State Requirements Only

Smart Core: ✗ No Credit

End of Course: ✗

Licensure Code: 253,500,510,254,255,256,257,002,082,083,085,086,107,168,183,184,185,227,228,235,236,3030,510

AQT: ✓
in the CCMS
indicates that
the course is a
“core subject
area” for
purposes of
determining
whether an
applicable
teacher must
be AQT.

AQT: ✗
indicates that
the course is
not a “core
subject area”
for AQT
purposes.

Course SIS Data

Save Search List

Building: 39 - Your Town Elementary Course: 200111 Section: 1 Course Description:

Exclude From Cycle:	000000	Not In Oct 1
DO NOT USE (Previously HQT):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Passed Content Test
Licensure Exception:	NA	Not Applicable
Vocational LEA:		
Digital Learning Type:	NO	No
Digital Learning Provider:*	NA	Not Applicable
Digital Delivery:	NA	Not Applicable
Special Ed:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Alternative Environment:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Coding Block 7/8:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
College Credit:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Institution Issuing Credit:		
Kindergarten Overage Flag:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Course Minutes:	0	

HQT field is still on the screen but...
DO NOT USE.

Licensure Exception.

NA (Default)

*AWL (Act 1240 of 2015 Waiver)

*CWL (Charter School Waiver)

*SOI (Sch. of Innov. Waiver)

**must meet AQT in core subject areas*

ALP (Add'l Lic. Plan)

LTS (Long-term Sub)

Special Ed and ALE courses should be marked as done in the past. *(If teaching multiple core subject areas, teachers must meet AQT)*

Local district paperwork only needed for ADE on-site reviews



Course SIS Data Fields for AQT

...for use in the Licensure Exception Field

<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
AWL	Act 1240 of 2015 Approval to Waive Licensure (but meets AQT requirements)
CWL	Charter School Approval to Waive Licensure (but meets AQT requirements)
SOI	School of Innovation Approved Waiver of Licensure (but meets AQT requirements)
ALP	Approved Additional Licensure Plan
LTS	Approved Long-term Substitute
NA	Not Applicable



Review the Standards Annual Accreditation System for Updates

Accreditation Status | Archive Reports

Accreditation Status

October 1 Status Report | District: Academics Plus School District

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EXCEPTION_RULE	EXCEPTION_STANDARD	EXCEPTION_DESCRIPTION	OCTOBER 1 STATUS
			No Filter
9.03.3	IV	Secondary Course Offerings	🔴 📄
10.02.2	V	Class Size: Kindergarten	🟢 📄
10.02.3	V	Class Size: Grades 1-3	🟢 📄
10.02.4	V	Class Size: Grades 4-6	🔴 📄
10.02.5	V	Class Size: Grades 7-12	🟢 📄
10.02.5	V	Total Students: Grades 7-12	🔴 📄
15.01	X	Superintendent	🟢 📄
15.02	X	Principal	🟢 📄
15.03	X	Assistant Principal	🟢 📄
15.03.1	X	Personnel Not Certified	🔴 📄
15.03.2	X	Expired License	🔴 📄
15.03.3	X	Job Not Certified	🔴 📄
15.03.6	X	Provisional License	📘 📄
9.03.3	IV	Grade Level	🟢 📄
15.03.3	X	High Qualified Teacher (HQT)	🔴 📄
16.01.3	XI	Counselor	🟢 📄
16.02.3	XI	Library/Media Specialist	🔴 📄
16.02.4	XI	Library Book Collection	🔴 📄

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