

Reading Specialist/Dyslexia & Literacy Certificate Attestation Form

Candidate Contact Information

If any of this information changes during the final internship semester, please notify the program advisor.

First Name
Last Name
WSU ID
Street Address
City
State
Zip
Phone Number
Email Address
Name of Advisor

Emergency Contact Information

In case of emergency during my internship please contact the following individual.

Name
Phone Number

Required Documents and Fees

I have submitted my TB Screening and Background check the program advisor.

____I agree

I have read and will electronically sign the Attestation of Eligibility.

____I agree.

I have read and agree to adhere to the KS Code of Conduct for Educators.

____I agree.

Kansas Code of Conduct

All candidates in an education program participating in a field experience as a part of their program are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the requirements and expectations of their program. Candidates should not engage in unprofessional conduct or unlawful behaviors in accordance to KSDE's Kansas Educator Code of Conduct:

[Licensure/ KS Ed Code of Conduct Brochure](#)

In view of these expectations, candidates participating in a field experience who are unable to meet these academic standards, as judged by university faculty and mentor teachers, may receive a failing grade and/or face possible removal from the field experience. By initialing this line you are stating that you understand the Kansas Code of Conduct and the expectations of all candidates conducting themselves in a professional manner.

____I agree.

Grounds for Dismissal from Field Experiences

Candidates in an education program participating in a clinical experience as a part of their degree program are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the requirements and expectations of their program. Candidates in an education program should likewise not engage in unprofessional conduct or unlawful behaviors. In view of these expectations, candidates in an education program participating in a clinical experience who are unable to meet these academic standards, as judged by faculty and cooperating teachers, may receive a failing grade and/or face possible removal from their particular clinical/field experience:

1. Candidates may not engage in any inappropriate interactions with pupils, guardians of pupils enrolled in the school, or school or university personnel during the clinical experience. If you feel you are under any pressure to engage in inappropriate social activity, contact your university supervisor.
2. Candidates' social interactions and communications, including use of cellular phones, Email, and the internet with school pupils, or guardians of pupils enrolled in the school, or school or university personnel, should be limited to those occurring in an official capacity at officially sponsored school events or sites.
3. Candidates may not be in the possession of or under the influence of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs or dangerous weapons or substances on school property, nor with or in the presence of any school pupil(s).
4. Candidates may not use sexually explicit, obscene, profane, abusive, or derogatory language on school premises or at school sponsored events; nor may they suggest access to inappropriate material (e.g., on the Internet).
5. Candidates may not escort or transport pupils off school property unless accompanied by the cooperating teacher or another full-time employee assigned by the principal.
6. Candidates may not leave school early, be late to school or seminars, or have absences on a consistent basis.
7. Candidates may not falsify, forge, or alter any documents pertaining to academic records, including evaluation reports.

In addition, if at any time your conduct causes the mentor teacher, the principal, or the university supervisor to determine that your presence in the classroom has become detrimental to the educational program of the pupils in the class, your actions will be

reviewed by a field experience review team comprised of school and university officials, your practicum placement could be terminated by the University. Should your practicum be terminated based upon your behavior or your failure to perform at a satisfactory level, Wichita State University is not obligated to reassign you to another school. Failure to abide by these regulations may result in any of the following consequences: removal from field experiences, judicial action by Wichita State University, legal action, and/or failure of course work.

****Note:** This is not an employment decision but a practicum decision. Employment matters are strictly between the candidate and the employer.

I have read and am aware of WSU's Guidelines for Professional Conduct during Field Experiences and Grounds for Dismissal from Field Experiences.

Signature

Date

Attestation of Eligibility

The Kansas State Board of Education requires that individuals who have been convicted of, or pleaded guilty to, any act punishable as a felony may not be certified to teach. Wichita State University is responsible for recommending individuals who have completed the teacher education program for certification as a teacher. Given this responsibility, it is asked that you read and sign the statement below.

If you are confident that you understand the standard, please answer the questions below and complete the "Attestation of Eligibility."

1. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

Yes

No

2. Have you ever been convicted on ANY crime involving theft, drugs, or a child?

Yes

No

3. Have you entered into a criminal diversion agreement after being charged with any offense described in question 1 or 2?

Yes

No

4. Are criminal charges pending against you in any state involving any of the offenses described in question 1 or 2?

Yes

No

5. Have you had a teacher's or school administrator's certificate or license denied, suspended or revoked in any state?

Yes

No

6. Is disciplinary action pending against you in any state regarding a teacher's or administrator's certificate or license?

Yes

No

7. Have you ever been terminated, suspended, or otherwise disciplined by a local Board of Education for falsifying or altering student tests or student test scores?

Yes

No

8. Have you ever falsified or altered assessment data documents, or test score reports required for licensure?

Yes

No

If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please describe your answer here.

ATTESTATION OF ELIGIBILITY

I, _____ attest to the College of Applied Studies at Wichita State University that I have not been convicted nor have I pleaded guilty for the violation of any law punishable as a felony and I can answer "no" to the questions 1-8 above.

Signature

Date