

Issuance of a Teacher's Certificate

No. CSB 13-06 replacing No. CSB 11-09 replacing Interim Teacher's Certificate
No. CSB 05-07 replacing Interim Teacher's Certificate No. CSB 03-02

Pursuant to sections 7 and 11 of the *School Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. S-2.1, I hereby approve the following Certification and Standards Board Policy concerning the issuance of a Teacher's Certificate.

1. An Academic Teacher's Certificate or a Career and Technical Education Teacher's Certificate shall be issued to a person who applies in writing to the Minister and who meets the qualifications and application requirements approved by the Minister including payment of the required fee.

2. The requirements for the issuance of an Academic Teacher's Certificate or Career and Technical Education Teacher's Certificate shall include official documentary evidence provided to the Registrar in respect to verifying:

- i) the applicant's identity,
- ii) the applicant's eligibility to work in Canada,
- iii) that the applicant has completed the required academic and professional studies and other requirements with respect to the certificate for which they are applying,
- iv) that the applicant's teaching certificate is in good standing in the jurisdiction where they completed their teacher education and in all jurisdictions where they have been certified to teach even if they never taught in the jurisdiction where they were certified if they completed their teacher education outside of Prince Edward Island
- v) that the applicant is proficient in English or in French to meet the requirements outlined in CSB Policy 13-05 *Language Proficiency Requirements for Teacher Certification and Authorization as a Substitute for a Teacher* if they completed any or all of their secondary, post-secondary education including their teacher education program in a language other than English or French.
- vi) that the applicant can provide a satisfactory Criminal Record Check and a satisfactory Vulnerable Sector Screening Check that is current to within *three* (3) months of submission of the application

3. Provided that all application requirements stated in the approved application package are satisfied, an Academic Teacher's Certificate shall be issued to an applicant who provides evidence to the Registrar that they hold an approved *one hundred and twenty* (120) semester hour bachelor's degree in education, or an acceptable undergraduate degree representing a minimum of three years of post-secondary study totalling a minimum of *ninety* (90) credit hours from a recognized post-secondary institution plus an approved teacher education program representing a minimum of *one* (1) year of post-secondary study totalling a minimum of *thirty* (30) credit hours and including a minimum *twelve* (12) week practicum at a recognized post-secondary institution.

4. Provided that all requirements stated in the approved application package are satisfied, a Career and Technical Education Teacher's Certificate shall be issued to an applicant who does not hold, or who does not qualify to hold, an Academic Teacher's Certificate and who provides evidence to the Registrar that they hold a grade twelve high school diploma or a verified equivalency, a minimum of *one* (1) year technical education and the completion of a program at a recognized post-secondary institution in a career and technical area recognized by the Minister which include welding, automotive, carpentry and cooking, a minimum of *four* (4) years work experience and a recognized occupational certification such as an Interprovincial Red Seal in the area being authorized and a recognized teacher education program such as the Certificate in Adult Education offered jointly by Holland College and the University of Prince Edward Island.

5. The Academic Teacher's Certificate or the Career and Technical Education Teacher's Certificate shall be valid from the date of issue.

DATED at Summerside, PE
February 14th, 2013

J. Alan McIsaac, Minister