

Announcements from Professional Education Programs

Dr. Bowser, Director

March 15, 2023

Important Dates for University Supervisors with Capstone Interns

- Educator Disposition Assessment Due – March 1 (should have submitted to LiveText)
- 2nd 8-week Assignment Forms due – March 17
- Last full day of Spring 2023 teaching internship – April 28
- Spring 2023 Exit Evaluation – May 1

TESS Summative Evaluation Pilot

Capstone interns **will not be required to take and pass the PLT** as long as they meet a minimum average score of 2.0 (Progressing). University Supervisors should submit the TESS Summative Evaluation on LiveText by **May 2**

Last Licensure Meeting – March 8

Aspiring Teacher Permits- will allow BSE students to serve as Teacher of Record; school and university must have an approved MOU on file with DESE.

- no longer need an Act 1240 waiver

The **Arkansas Teacher Residency Model** was developed to address teacher shortages by providing prospective teachers with an affordable, work-based pathway to licensure. The pathway begins when a high school student, paraprofessional, or classified school employee becomes a Certified Teaching Assistant. Click [here](#) for information.

Our capstone interns are NOT allowed to take on Teacher of Record jobs at this time.

Licensure Assessment Ready News – Michael Rowland

DESE is sponsoring Praxis tutoring sessions for several low pass rate and/or high volume tests.

All sessions are free, virtual, and facilitated by an expert in the content area. The most current information can be found on the [Licensure Assessment Ready website](#)

Employment Survey for Superintendents

ADE Director of Educator Effectiveness, Andy Sullivan, asked all licensure officers to send a survey to our Spring interns. It is intended to support those who are seeking employment for the 23-24 school year. The form is live today and will be shared with superintendents.

<https://forms.gle/h21FnLCxefDYRG319>

Higher Education Program Revisions for 2022-23

[Arkansas competencies](#) for many licensure areas have been updated in response to changes to national standards and licensure assessments. The following areas need to submit Program Revisions by **July 1, 2023**: Middle School ELA (4-8), Adult Education (PS), Social Studies (7-12) and Coaching (K-12).

CONGRATULATIONS! Revisions to Programs Approved

MAT Special Education (K-12)

Detailed information available is on the [Arkansas DESE website](#). The contact is Ann Crosser, Program Advisor, ann.crosser@ade.arkansas.gov.

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