

**CHAPTER 67-11-08
SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR'S CREDENTIAL**

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67-11-08-01. Credentials required.

For purposes of school accreditation, a school may employ as a special education director only an individual who holds either the North Dakota special education director credential as outlined in this chapter or who has been authorized by the education standards and practices board as a special education director at a level the department determines meets or exceeds the requirements of this chapter and which is consistent with the North Dakota teacher education program approval standards 2000 with 2002 revisions adopted by the education standards and practices board on August 1, 2002.

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Law Implemented: NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09; 20 USC 1412(a)(15)

67-11-08-02. Issuing agency.

The North Dakota special education director's credential issuing agency address is:

Superintendent of Public Instruction
Department of Public Instruction
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 201
Bismarck, ND 58505-0440

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67-11-08-03. Credential standards.

Each applicant for a special education director's credential must meet the standards in this section. The documentation on each standard must be verified within the department before any credential will be issued. An applicant must have:

1. A valid North Dakota educator's professional license issued by the education standards and practices board in accordance with North Dakota Century Code sections 15.1-13-10 and 15.1-13-23 and North Dakota Administrative Code title 67.1, based on a bachelor's degree with a certifiable major or minor or an endorsement;
2. A master's degree in special education or a related field from a state-approved program, but a master's degree in gifted and talented will not be accepted;
3. Basic preparation in one area of special education, excluding gifted and talented, which will entitle the applicant to the special education credential for North Dakota in that area;

4. An additional nine semester hours in more than one other area of special education, excluding gifted and talented;
5. Eight semester hours in school administration or a four-semester-hour internship in administration of special education and two semester hours in school administration. The eight semester hours in school administration must be chosen from courses in school law, administration of the public school, school finance, teacher personnel administration, or a seminar in administration;
6. At least two years of successful professional education employment experience in one area of special education, excluding gifted and talented; and
7. Written recommendations from two persons who supervised the applicant during the applicant's teaching experience.

History: Effective February 1, 2000; amended effective July 1, 2003; July 1, 2006.

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Law Implemented: NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09; Pub. L. 108-446, §612(a)(14)

67-11-08-04. Types of credentials.

The professional credential is issued and is valid for the same period as the educator's professional license.

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Law Implemented: NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09; 20 USC 1412(a)(15)

67-11-08-05. Application process.

The application process to obtain a credential under this chapter is:

1. A special education director's credential application form provided by the department of public instruction must be submitted including the applicant's name, social security number, date, address, telephone number, educator's professional license number and expiration date, signature, employment information, academic preparation, references; and
2. A copy of official transcripts must be provided.

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General Authority: NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09

Law Implemented: NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09; 20 USC 1412(a)(15)

67-11-08-06. Renewal requirements.

To renew the credential, an individual must complete the requirements established by the North Dakota education standards and practices board relative to renewal of the North Dakota educator's professional license. The special education director's credential follows the expiration date established by the education standards and practices board. No further action is required on the part of the teacher to renew a special education credential.

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General Authority: NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09

Law Implemented: NDCC 15.1-02-11, 15.1-32-02, 15.1-32-09; 20 USC 1412(a)(15)

67-11-08-07. Notification of denial.

If issuance or renewal of any credential is denied, the denial must be in writing and must state all reasons for denial. The written documentation must also include requirements for completion for issuance or renewal of a credential.

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67-11-08-08. Effective dates.

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