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Local Assignment Options

Common Local Assignment Options (LAOs) for Teaching in California's Public Schools

Education Code (EC) and Title 5 Regulations (T5) provide local employing agencies (LEAs) with teacher assignment options that can be used when an LEA is unable to assign a certificated employee with the appropriate credential. These options, known as Local Assignment Options (LAOs), allow flexibility at the local level and are used solely at the discretion of the LEA. The LEA is responsible for verification of all LAO requirements and should always review the language of the EC or T5.

Note- All Local Assignment Options:

- Require a <u>full teaching credential</u> (Intern, Provisional Internship, and Short-Term Staff Permit holders cannot serve on Local Assignment Options);
- Require the teacher serving on the LAO to give their consent for the assignment; and
- Are for general education assignments only, and cannot be used for special programs such as Special Education, Career Technical Education, or English Learner assignments.

Legal Citation for Local Assignment Option:	Local Employing Agency Must Verify:			Assignment Can Be In:		
	Base Teaching Credential	Content Verification	Board Action	Setting	Grade	Content
EC §44256(b)	Elementary Credential	12 lower or 6 upper semester units in Content taught	Resolution	Departmentalized	8 th and below	Any
EC §44258.2	Secondary Credential	12 lower or 6 upper semester units in Content taught	Resolution	Departmentalized	5 th - 8 th	Any
EC §44258.3	Credential based on BA and Student Teaching	Subject Knowledge as defined by board	Specific Board Policy*	Departmentalized or Self-Contained	K - 12 th	Any
EC §§44258.7(c)(d)	Any Teaching Credential	Special skills and preparation in Elective taught	Specific Board Policy**	Departmentalized	K - 12 th	Elective
EC §44263 (Elementary)	Any Teaching Credential	60 semester units distributed among 10 Subject Areas	Resolution	Self-Contained	K - 12 th	Any
EC §44263 (Secondary)	Any Teaching Credential	18 lower or 9 upper semester units in Content taught	Resolution	Departmentalized	K - 12 th	Any
EC 544865	Credential based on BA and Student Teaching	None	None	(Independent Study; Home/Hospital) (Adult Ed; Necessary Small/Continuation) (Alternative/Opportunity/Juvenile Court/	K – 12 th	Any
T5 §80005(b)	Credential based on BA and Student Teaching	Knowledge and Skills in Content taught	None	County or District Community Schools Departmentalized	K - 12 th	Elective
<u>T5 §80020.4</u>	'Credential based on BA and Student Teaching; Credential in (Subject of Staff Development***	Verification of Subject Expertise***	Resolution***	Staff Development at the school site, school district, or county level	N/A	Any
T5 §80020.4.1(a)	Credential based on BA and Student Teaching	None	None	Program Coordination at a school site	N/A	Any

*Craven: Refer to the Advisory on Teacher Assignment Option EC \$44258.3 for an example of appropriate board policies and procedures

**Committee on Assignments (CoA): Use of CoA requires the board to adhere to the procedures outlined in EC 5544258.7(c) and (d

***Must have either a credential in the subject area of the staff development activities or have expertise in the subject area verified and approved by the school board

Local Assignment Option Codes

Teacher Assignments for Dual Credit Courses

Teachers teaching college credit courses for dual credit can be appropriately authorized under either of the following sections of Education Code as local assignment options:

EC §48800

This local assignment option may be used to assign a teacher employed by a postsecondary institution to teach a course for which the student earns college and high school credit. Students in this course attend a community college during any session or term as special part-time or full-time students and undertake one or more courses of instruction offered at the community college level.

EC §76004

This local assignment option may be used to assign staff employed by a postsecondary institution to teach a course for which the student earns college and high school credit when the governing board of the community college district has entered into a College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) partnership with the governing board of a school district for the purpose of offering or expanding dual enrollment opportunities. Local Assignment Option Code-The Education Code or Title V Regulations Section that is used to assign a staff member without the appropriate credential andauthorizations to teach a course - also known as a local waiver. These waivers are approved at the local level.

EC §44256(b)

This local assignment option may be used to assign staff to a departmentalized setting, in grades 8 and below, and in any content area. The LEA must verify that the staff member has an elementary or multiple subject base teaching credential and 12 or 6 upper semester units in the content that will be taught. A local governing board resolution required.

EC §44258.2

This local assignment option may be used to assign staff to a departmentalized setting, in grades 5-8, and in any content area. The LEA must verify that the staff member has a single subject or secondary base teaching credential and 12 lower or 6 upper semester units in the content taught. A local governing board resolution required.

EC §44258.3

This local assignment option may be used to assign staff to a departmentalized or self-contained setting, in grades K-12, and in any content area. The LEA must verify that the staff member has a credential based on a Baccalaureate (BA), student teaching, and adequate subject matter knowledge as defined by the local governing board. Specific local governing board policy applies.

EC §44258.7(c)(d)

This local assignment option may be used to assign staff to a departmentalized setting, in grades K-12, and in an elective content area for a maximum of one year, with the option of annual renewal. The LEA must verify that the staff member has any teaching credential and special skills and preparation in the elective that will be taught. Specific local governing board policy applies.

EC §44263

Self-Contained-This local assignment option may be used to assign staff to a self-contained setting, in grades K-12, and in any content area for a maximum of one year, with the option of annual renewal. The LEA must verify that the staff member has any teaching credential and 60 semester units

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distributed among 10 subject areas as defined in Education Code Section 44314. Local governing board resolution is required.

EC §44263

Departmentalized-This local assignment option may be used to assign staff to a departmentalized setting, in grades K-12, and in any content area for a maximum of one year, with the option of annual renewal. The LEA must verify that the staff member has any teaching credential and 18 lower or nine upper semester units in content that will be taught. Local governing board resolution is required.

EC §44865

This local assignment option may be used to assign staff to any of the following settings: independent study; home/hospital; adult education; necessary small/continuation/ alternative/opportunity/juvenile court/ county or district community schools, in grades K-12, and in any content area. The LEA must verify that the staff member has a credential based on a Baccalaureate (BA) and student teaching. Subject matter knowledge verification and local governing board resolution are not required.

T5 §80005(b)

This local assignment option may be used to assign staff to a departmentalized setting, in grades K-12, in an elective content area, limited to the grade level authorized by the staff member's teaching credential. The LEA must verify that the staff member has a credential based on a Baccalaureate (BA) and knowledge and skills in content taught. No local governing board policy is required.

T5 §80020.4

This local assignment option may be used to assign staff to staff development at the school site-, school district-, or county-level setting and in any content area. The LEA must verify that the staff member has either a credential based on a Baccalaureate (BA) and student teaching, or a credential or expertise in the staff development subject. Local governing board resolution is required.

T5 §80020.4.1(a)

This local assignment option may be used to assign staff to a program coordination setting at a school site and in any content area. The LEA mustverify that the staff member has a credential based on a Baccalaureate (BA) and student teaching. Subject matter knowledge verification and local governingboard resolution are not required

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