# ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PROPOSED RULES GOVERNING INITIAL AND STANDARD/PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATOR AND ADMINISTOR ARKANSAS CORRECTIONAL SCHOOL LICENSURE August 2003

### 1.0 REGULATORY AUTHORITY

- 1.01 These shall be known as the Arkansas Department of Education Rules Governing Initial and Standard/Professional School Administrator Licensure.
- 1.02 These rules are enacted pursuant to the authority of the State Board of Education under Ark. Code Ann. § 6-11-105, and 6-17-402 (Repl. 1999) and § 25-15-204 Supp., and Act 733 of 2009.

### 2.0 PURPOSE

2.01 The purpose of these rules is to establish the requirements and procedures for obtaining an Initial or Standard/Professional Arkansas School Administrator License.

### 3.0 **DEFINITIONS**

### For the purpose of these Rules

- 3.01 **Administrator License** a license, issued by the state, which allows one to serve as an administrator in an Arkansas school district or other agency or organization requiring an administrator license (grade levels indicated). There are three <u>types of</u> administrator licenses available in Arkansas.
  - 3.01.1 **Building Level Administrator** –a principal, assistant principal, or vice principal. (grade levels P-8 and/or 7–12 5-12)
  - 3.01.2 <u>Building Level Administrator/ Arkansas Correctional School</u>

    <u>- a principal, assistant principal, or vice principal. (grade levels 5-12) employed in the Arkansas Correctional Schools</u>
  - 3.01.3 Curriculum/Program Administrator —a school leader who is responsible for program development and administration, and/or employment evaluation decisions. Each Curriculum/Program Administrator License is limited to one of the following areas:

- 3.01.3.1 Special Education (grade levels P-4, and/or 4-12, or P-12)
- 3.01.3.2 Gifted and Talented Education (grade levels P-8, and/or 7-12, or P-12)
- 3.01.3.3 Career and Technical Education (grade levels 4-8, 7-12 and/or Post-Secondary)
- 3.01.3.4 Content Area Specialist (grade levels P-12 P-8 and/or 7-12)
  - 3.01.3.4.1 The areas of licensure for Content Area Specialist are listed in Appendix A. in the areas and levels of Licensure as approved by the State Board of Education.
- 3.01.3.5 Curriculum Specialist (grade levels <del>P-8, 4-8 and/or 7-12</del> P-12)
- 3.01.4 **District Level Administrator** –a superintendent, assistant/associate superintendent, or deputy superintendent. (grade level P-12)
- 3.02 Administrator Licensure Completion Program Plan (ALCP) a plan filed with the office of Professional Licensure, which is designed to assist an individual who has been offered employment in an administrative position prior to completion of state Administrator Licensure requirements. An ALCP may be requested for any one of the three types of Administrator Licenses Licensure areas.
  - 3.02.1 Administrators on an ALCP must participate in Induction for each year they are employed under an ALCP.
- 3.03 **Advanced Program of Study** a state-approved administrator preparation curriculum (inclusive of a portfolio and internship) offered at an Arkansas college or university, which is based on the <u>current leadership standards</u> *Standards for Licensure of Beginning Administrators* as adopted by the Arkansas State Board of Education. The program requires a candidate to demonstrate and document competency in the specific knowledge, skills, and dispositions required of a District Level Administrator.
- 3.04 **Area of Licensure** a particular content field as identified in <del>Appendix</del> A, Areas and Levels of Licensure <u>as approved by the State Board of</u> Education.

- 3.05 <u>Level of Licensure-</u> The grade level parameters of an administrator licensure area such as <del>P-8, 7-12, P-12, P-8, P-12, 4-8, 5-12, or 7-12.</del>
- 3.06 **Beginning Administrator** an individual in his/her first one-to-three years as a school administrator who holds an Initial Building Level Administrator License, Initial Curriculum/Program Administrator License or is employed under or an ALCP, and is pursuing a Standard Administrator License.
- 3.07 <u>Classroom Teaching Experience-</u> <u>Employment as the licensed classroom teacher of record</u>
  - 3.07.1 Credit for one (1) year of classroom teaching requires a minimum of fifty percent of each day to be spent as a classroom teacher.
  - 3.07.2 One (1) year of classroom teaching experience shall equal a minimum of 120 days within a school year.
  - 3.07.3 Experience as an Educational Examiner, Adult Education,
    Athletic Director/Coaching, School Administrator, Speech
    Pathology (with the exception of Curriculum Program
    Administrators for Special Education) & School Psychology
    Specialist is not recognized as classroom teaching experience.
  - 3.07.4 Four (4) years of experience as a school counselor, or school librarian may be counted toward the total of four (4) years of classroom teaching experience for Building Level Administrator only and Curriculum / Program Administrator for Curriculum (only).
- 3.08 **External Evaluator** –a member of the portfolio review committee within an Arkansas college or university program of study, who is a practicing school administrator or a former school administrator holding a current administrator license, and not employed within the college or university department offering the program of study.
- 3.09 **Induction** a period of no less than one year and no more than three years, when a candidate is employed while holding an Initial

  Administrator License or those candidates employed under an ALCP- the mentoring support and accelerated professional development associated with the Initial Administrator License. The time of induction (minimum

of one year, maximum of three years) concludes with the successful completion of the state-mandated assessment.

### 3.09.1 Induction consists of:

- 3.09.1.1 Completion of the ADE Mentoring Program for Administrators, including attendance at training sessions and working with a mentor while employed as an Administrator
- 3.09.1.2 <u>Successful completion of the state-mandated assessment</u> for Administrators
- 3.10 **Initial Administrator License** a license, issued by the state, which allows one to serve as either a beginning Building Level <u>Administrator in a traditional P-12 setting</u>, an Arkansas Correctional School setting, or Curriculum/Program Administrator in an Arkansas school district. This initial license is valid for no less than one, and no more than three years. ,during which time the administrator participates in Administrator <u>Induction</u>.
  - 3.10.1 <u>Initial Building Level Administrator/ Arkansas Correctional</u>
    School a licensed issued by the state which allows one to serve
    as a beginning building level administrator in an Arkansas
    Correctional School setting. This initial license is valid for no less
    than one, and no more than three years.
- 3.11 **Internship** a practical administrative and/or curricular experience, within a program of study (based on NCATE standards), which provides the candidate with practice in a <u>traditional P-12</u> school setting <u>in the specific area of administration being sought</u>. A separate internship is required for every area and level of administration sought.
- 3.12 **Mentor** a licensed administrator trained certified in the state-adopted mentoring model. Mentors are assigned to assist a beginning administrator by providing support and focused feedback with regard to skills, management, and professional behaviors.
- 3.13 Mentoring State Mentoring Program for Administrators support and focused feedback (for professional growth and development) provided to a

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- beginning administrator by an experienced <u>licensed administrator that has</u> <u>been trained in the Arkansas mentoring model for administrators.</u> <u>mentor.</u>
- 3.14 **Portfolio** an accumulation of materials and documented experiences reflecting the knowledge, disposition and performance competencies of the candidate with regard to Arkansas Administrator Licensure Standards as required by program of study. A separate portfolio is required for each area and level of administrator licensure sought. The portfolio will be assessed by the program of study faculty and at least one external evaluator to ensure program quality and integrity.
- 3.15 **Program of Study** a state-approved administrator preparation curriculum (inclusive of a portfolio and internship) offered at an Arkansas college or university, and based on the current leadership standards Standards for Licensure of Beginning Administrators as adopted by the Arkansas State Board of Education. The program requires a candidate to demonstrate and document competency in the specific knowledge, skills, and dispositions required of a Building Level, or Curriculum/Program Administrator, and/or District Administrator.
- 3.16 **Standard Administrator License** a renewable license, <u>valid for five years</u>, issued to candidates who have successfully completed all statemandated licensure requirements for Building Level, Curriculum/Program or District Level Administrator. This license is valid for five (5) years., at which time it must be renewed, or it will expire.
- 3.17 **State-Mandated Licensure Assessments** test the required assessment(s) used for the evaluation of administrators who are pursuing Standard administrator licensure.
  - 3.17.1 Successful <u>completion passing</u> of the state-mandated licensure assessments is defined as meeting the state-adopted cut score for the appropriate licensure assessment.
- 3.18 Professional License- A standard Arkansas Teaching License that is issued upon the request of a teacher who has documented the completion of a Master's Degree and three years of teaching experience or who has documented current National Board Certification.

3.19 Traditional P-12 Setting- Employment in a public, including the Arkansas Correctional Schools, or private school between P-12 grade levels (or) a setting preapproved by the Arkansas Department of Education.

# 4.0 REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING AN INITIAL ADMINISTRATOR LICENSE

- 4.01 There are two types of Initial Arkansas school administrator licenses.
  - 4.01.1 Building Level Administrator
  - 4.01.2Curriculum/Program Administrator (issued in one of five (5) areas)
    - 4.01.2.1 Special Education
    - 4.01.2.2 Gifted and Talented Education
    - 4.01.2.3 Career and Technical Education
    - 4.01.2.4 Curriculum Specialist
    - 4.01.2.5 Content Area Specialist
      - 4.01.2.5.1 The areas of licensure for Content Area
        Specialist are listed in Appendix A. the Areas
        and Levels of Licensure as approved by the
        State Board of Education
- 4.02 To qualify for an Initial Administrator License a candidate must shall: 4.02.1 Hold a current Arkansas Standard Teaching License,
  - 4.02.1.1 For Curriculum/Program Administrator the license must be in the specialty area where applicable.
    - 4.02.1.1.1 For Special Education, this includes School
      Psychology Specialist and/or Speech Language
      Pathologist (P-12) licenses.
  - 4.02.2Have a minimum of four years of classroom teaching experience,
    - 4.02.2.1 For Building Level, at least three of the four years of teaching experience must shall be classroom teaching experience, or experience as a school counselor or school librarian at the level at which the candidate is seeking licensure.
      - 4.02.2.2 For Curriculum/Program Administrator, at least three of the four years of teaching experience must shall be as follows: at the level and/or in the area in which the

### candidate is seeking licensure.

- 4.02.2.2.1 Special Education- In the area of Special
  Education. Individuals holding a license in
  Speech Language Pathology through the
  ADE shall document a minimum of four (4)
  years of experience in a traditional P-12
  setting.
- 4.02.2.2.2 <u>Gifted and Talented- In the area of Gifted and Talented.</u>
- 4.02.2.2.3 <u>Career and Technical- In the area of Career and Technical.</u>
- 4.02.2.2.4 <u>Content Area Specialist- In the specific content area and level sought.</u>
- 4.02.2.2.5 <u>Curriculum Specialist- At any level or area as a classroom teacher, school librarian or school counselor.</u>
- 4.02.3 <u>Have completed</u> hold a graduate degree in <u>Educational Leadership</u> from an <u>Arkansas college or university that is regionally and/or NCATE</u> accredited college or university and whose approved administrator education programs are NCATE accredited.
  - 4.02.3.1 The appropriate program of study shall include an internship and portfolio. Each area and level of administration granted requires a separate internship and portfolio as well as completion of the state mentoring program.
    - 4.02.3.1.1 <u>Internships shall be within the grade level of licensure sought and shall be above and/or below the grade levels of teaching experience for the grade level sought.</u>
    - 4.02.3.1.2 Candidates with teaching experience and internship in a public or private school setting shall receive the Initial Building Level

      Administrator license and shall be employable in a public or private school setting.
    - 4.02.3.1.3 <u>Candidates whose teaching experience and/or internship was earned within an Arkansas</u>

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Correctional School (ACS) setting shall receive the Initial Building Level
Administrator/ACS license and shall be employable as a Building Level
Administrator only in an Arkansas
Correctional School setting. Candidates shall be eligible for the Initial Building Level
Administrator license that allows employment in a public or private school setting upon completion of the required teaching experience and/or internship within a public or private school setting:

- 4.02.3.2 For candidates holding a graduate degree in an area other than Educational Leadership, the institution of higher education will review their credentials to determine their individual needs. The candidates will complete a graduate level program of study based on their individual needs inclusive of an internship and portfolio based on the current leadership standards

  Standards for Licensure of Beginning Administrators as adopted by the Arkansas State Board of Education to obtain an initial license.
  - 4.02.3.2.1 A Master's Degree in an area other than

    Educational Leadership, shall be a Master's

    Degree in Education or a Master's Degree in

    a content/added endorsement/area as

    identified in the Areas and Levels of

    Licensure as approved by the State Board of

    Education.
- 4.02.4complete the appropriate program of study (inclusive of an internship and portfolio),
- 4.03 The Administrator must be prepared through a regionally and/or NCATE accredited college or university whose administrator prep program is NCATE accredited.
- 4.04 The Educational Leadership Chairperson <u>and licensure officer</u> at the ADE 161-8

- regionally and/or NCATE accredited college or university where the candidate was enrolled will shall provide written evidence of degree or program of study completion.
- 4.05 The Initial Administrator License shall be issued when a completed, appropriately signed, Initial License Application has been submitted to the offices of Professional Licensure and Professional Quality Enhancement at the Arkansas Department of Education. The application provides ADE with verification of:
  - 4.05.1 the current Arkansas Standard teaching license,
  - 4.05.2 the required teaching experience,
  - 4.05.3 the graduate degree,
  - 4.05.4 the level of preparation, and
  - 4.05.5 completion of the program of study (inclusive of an internship and portfolio), <u>verified by the Educational Leadership</u> chairperson and licensure officer at the university attended.

## 5.0 GENERAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES RELATING TO AN INITIAL ADMINISTRATOR LICENSE

- 5.01 The Initial Arkansas Administrator License:
  - 5.01.1 is valid for no less than one, and no more than three years,
  - 5.01.2 becomes effective as of date of issue
  - 5.01.3 expires three years from the effective date, unless requirements for a Standard license are met.
    - 5.01.3.1 If requirements for the Standard License are not met by the end of the third year, a candidate may re-apply for the Initial License.
- 5.02 Candidates who hold an Initial Administrator License, but are not employed as a Beginning Administrator for a period of three years, must shall meet current program of study and assessment requirements for reissuance of an Initial Administrator License Licensure requirements at the time of re-application.
- 5.03 The Initial Administrator License shall become null and void and shall not be renewed at such time as the Administrator has been employed as an Administrator for three years and has not successfully completed Induction.

5.04 Administrators <u>employed under</u> who hold an Initial Administrator License shall participate in Administrator Induction. which concludes after a minimum of one year and successful completion of the statement.

# 6.0 RULES PERTAINING TO OBTAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING A STANDARD/PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATOR LICENSE

- 6.01 There are three routes for obtaining a Standard/Professional Arkansas Administrator License.
  - 6.01.1 Conversion of an Initial license via Induction
  - 6.01.2 Completion of the requirements of an ALCP
  - 6.01.3 Conversion of an out-of-state Standard administrator license through reciprocity
- 6.02 There are three <u>types of Standard/Professional</u> Arkansas Administrator Licenses:
  - 6.02.1 Building Level Administrator
  - 6.02.2Curriculum/Program Administrator, issued in one of five areas
    - 6.02.2.1 Special Education
    - 6.02.2.2 Gifted and Talented Education
    - 6.02.2.3 Career and Technical Education
    - 6.02.2.4 Curriculum Specialist
    - 6.02.2.5 Content Area Specialist
      - 6.02.2.5.1 The areas of licensure for Content Area Specialist are listed in Appendix A the Areas and Levels of Licensure approved by the State Board of Education.
  - 6.02.3 District Level Administrator
- 6.03 The requirements for each of the Standard Arkansas Administrator Licenses are as follows:
  - 6.03.1To qualify for the Standard/Professional Building Level Administrator License the candidate shall must:
    - 6.03.1.1 be employed as a Building Level Administrator, must have been employed as a Building Level Administrator

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- for a minimum of at least 50% of the day, in Arkansas for a minimum of one year
- 6.03.1.1 hold a current Arkansas Initial Building Level Administrator License or have completed all ALCP requirements,
- 6.03.1.2 participate in Induction, have completed Induction.
  - 6.03.1.2.1 For candidates that meet all licensure requirements for both levels of building level administrator, only one induction shall be required to license at both levels.
- 6.03.1.3 successfully <u>complete</u> <u>pass</u> the state-mandated licensure assessment.
- 6.03.2 To qualify for the Curriculum/Program Administrator License the candidate shall must:
  - 6.03.2.1 be employed have been employed as a

    Curriculum/Program Administrator for a minimum of at
    least 50% of the day, in Arkansas for a minimum of one
    year in the area of the initial license,
  - 6.03.2.1 hold a current Arkansas Initial Curriculum/Program Administrator License in the license-specific specialty area or have completed all ALCP requirements.
  - 6.03.2.2 participate in Induction, have completed Induction.
    - 6.03.2.2.1 <u>A separate induction shall be required for each area of Curriculum / Program Administrator license.</u>
  - 6.03.2.3 successfully complete the state-mandated licensure assessment.
- 6.03.3 To qualify for the District Level Administrator License the candidate shall must:
  - 6.03.3.1 hold a current Standard/Professional Arkansas teaching license,
  - 6.03.3.2 have at least four (4) years of classroom teaching experience. shall have met the classroom teaching experience requirement for Building Level Administrator and/or Curriculum/Program Administrator
  - 6.03.3.3 hold a current Standard Building Level or
    Curriculum/Program Administrator License, with a
    minimum of one year experience as a Building Level or
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- 6.03.3.4 have or complete an advanced a graduate degree (with a program of study reflective of the standards for District Level Administrator Licensure), or complete an advanced program of study reflective of the standards for District Level Administrator Licensure (both inclusive of an internship and portfolio), from a regionally and/or NCATE accredited college or university whose program of study is NCATE accredited,
- 6.03.3.5 successfully complete the state-mandated licensure assessment.
- 6.04 The authorized school district representative will shall verify employment as an Administrator and completion of Induction for a Standard Building Level or Curriculum/Program Administrator License candidate.
- 6.05 The Standard Building Level, or Curriculum/Program Administrator, or District Level Administrator License will be issued when a completed, appropriately signed Standard License Application has been submitted to the office of Professional Licensure with verification that all requirements have been met. and Professional Quality Enhancement at ADE. The application provides ADE with verification of:
  6.05.1 employment experience as a licensed school administrator,
  6.05.2 the appropriate initial administrator license (or ALCP),
  6.05.3 completion of the Arkansas Administrator Induction Program, and including mentoring and training sessions and successful completion of the State Mandated Assessment.
  - 6.05.4 successful completion of the state-mandated licensure assessment (documented via a copy of the official score report).
- 6.06 The Educational Leadership Chairperson <u>and the Licensure Officer</u> at the regionally and/or NCATE accredited college or university where the candidate was enrolled <u>will shall</u> verify advanced degree or the graduate <u>degree and</u> advanced program of study completion for Standard District Level Administrator License.
  - 6.06.1 The Standard District Level Administrator License will shall be issued when the completed, appropriately signed Standard License Application and official transcript are is submitted to the ADE 161-12

Office of Professional Licensure. and Professional Quality Enhancement at ADE. The application provides ADE with verification of:

- 6.06.1 the Standard Arkansas teaching license,
- 6.06.2 the teaching experience,
- 6.06.3 the Standard Building Level or Curriculum/Program
  Administrator license, with a minimum of one year of experience
  as a Building Level or Curriculum Program Administrator
- 6.06.4 the advanced degree or completion of the advanced program of study (both inclusive of an internship and portfolio), and
- 6.06.5 successful completion of the state-mandated licensure assessment (documented via a copy of the official score report).
- 6.07 The Standard Administrator License will be issued to applicants holding a Standard administrator license from another state who have met all requirements for a Standard Arkansas Administrator License through reciprocity.
  - 6.07.1 Building Level and/or Curriculum/Program Administrators, with less than one-year administrative experience, will be mentored for one year.

### 7 GENERAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES RELATING TO A STANDARD ADMINISTRATOR LICENSE

- 7.03 The Standard Arkansas Administrator license:
  - 7.03.1 shall be issued only for those areas and levels of licensure that have been approved by the State Board of Education,
  - 7.03.2 shall be a renewable license, valid for a period of five years,
  - 7.03.3 shall become effective January 1 of the year it is issued, and shall expire December 31 of the fifth year.
- 7.04 The effective dates of the candidate's <u>standard</u> teaching license and <u>standard</u> Administrator License shall coincide.

# 7.0 RULES PERTAINING TO AN ADMINISTRATOR LICENSURE COMPLETION PROGRAM PLAN (ALCP)

7.01 The ALCP is the licensure route for an individual who has been offered employment in an administrative position in an Arkansas school district prior to completion of state Administrator Licensure requirements.

- 7.02 The ALCP is a plan filed with the office of Professional Licensure, which describes <u>lists</u> the requirements to be completed for licensure.
- 7.03 The ALCP is valid for a maximum of three years <u>and is not renewable</u>.
- 7.04 To qualify for an ALCP candidates shall must:
  - 7.04.1 Hold a current <u>AR</u> Standard/<u>Professional</u> teaching license, 7.04.1.1 For Curriculum/Program Administrator the license must be in the specialty area where applicable.
  - 7.04.2have a minimum of four years <u>of classroom</u> teaching experience,
    7.04.2.1 For Building Level <u>Licensure</u>, at least three of the four years teaching experience <u>shall must</u> be <u>classroom</u> teaching experience, or experience as a counselor or <u>school librarian</u> at the level at which the candidate is seeking the ALCP.
    - 7.04.2.2 For Curriculum/Program Administrator Licensure, at least three of the four years of classroom teaching experience shall must be at the level and/or in the area in which the candidate is seeking the ALCP as follows:
      - 7.04.2.2.1 Special Education- In the area of Special Education. Individuals holding a license in Speech Language Pathology through the ADE shall document a minimum of four (4) years of experience in a traditional P-12 setting.
        - 7.04.2.2.2 Gifted and Talented- In the area of Gifted and Talented.
        - 7.04.2.1.3 <u>Career and Technical- In the area of Career and Technical.</u>
        - 7.04.2.1.4 Content Area Specialist- In the specific content area and level sought.
      - 7.04.2.2.5 Curriculum Specialist- At any level or area as a classroom teacher, school librarian or school counselor.

- 7.04.3 be enrolled <u>and participating</u> in the appropriate program of study through a regionally <del>and/or NCATE</del> accredited <u>Arkansas</u> college or university <u>whose Educational Leadership Program is NCATE accredited</u> <u>administrator program</u>
  - 7.04.3.1 When it has been determined that a candidate is no longer attending class and working under an ALCP, the Educational Leadership chair is required to report it to the Office of Professional Licensure.
  - 7.04.3.2 Candidates employed in an Arkansas public school under an ALCP shall file a waiver request to be employed out of their licensure area and shall make annual yearly progress as defined in section 4.04 through section 4.04.2.3 of the Rules Governing the Addition of Areas of Licensure or Endorsement each year they have been granted a waiver to be employed out of their licensure area.
    - 7.04.3.2.1 The ALCP shall be considered null and void and further waiver requests to work under an ALCP shall be denied at such time as the candidate fails to make annual yearly progress.
- 7.04.4 be hired as a Beginning Administrator, in a traditional P-12 school setting, in an Arkansas school district. The position must be in the level/area of the license sought.
- 7.04.5 have or complete a graduate or advanced degree from a regionally and/or NCATE accredited college or university in Arkansas whose Educational Leadership Program is NCATE accredited.
  - 7.04.5.1 For Building Level and/or Curriculum/Program Administrator, that degree shall must be a graduate degree.
  - 7.04.5.2 For District Level, that degree shall must be an advanced degree a graduate degree with a program of study reflective of the standards for District Level

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- 7.04.5.3 For candidates holding a graduate degree in an area other than Educational Leadership, the Institution of Higher Education will shall review their the candidate's credentials to determine their individual needs. These candidates will shall complete a an individualized graduate level program of study (inclusive of an internship and portfolio) which meets their individual needs and is based on the AR Standards for Licensure of Beginning Administrators leadership standards as adopted by the Arkansas State Board of Education.
- 7.04.5.4 In addition, for District Level, the candidate shall must already hold a Standard Building Level or Curriculum/Program Administrator License.
- 7.04.5.5 A Master's Degree in an area other than Educational
  Leadership, shall be a Master's Degree in Education or
  a Master's Degree in a content/added endorsement/
  area as identified in the Areas and Levels of Licensure
  as approved by the State Board of Education.
- 7.05 Candidates for The ALCP shall must have be enrollmented in a Program of Study verified by the Educational Leadership Chairperson at the regionally and/or NCATE accredited Arkansas college or university where the degree or program of study is offered.
- 7.06 The authorized school district representative where the candidate for the ALCP is employed shall must verify employment and assure the appointment of the Beginning Administrator mentor.
- 7.07 The employing <u>Arkansas</u> school district <u>must shall</u> file a completed ALCP <u>application</u> with the offices of Professional Licensure <del>and</del> Professional Quality Enhancement within thirty days of hiring the beginning administrator under an ALCP.

- 7.08 While employed as a <u>Beginning Building Level or Curriculum Program</u>
  <u>Administrator beginning administrator</u> under an ALCP the candidate must shall:
  - 7.08.1 be assigned an <u>ADE-certified</u> administrator mentor <u>with</u> experience in the area/grade level being sought.
  - 7.08.2 and participate in complete the Administrator Induction Program including attendance at all ADE training sessions for each year employed under the ALCP,
  - 7.08.3 complete the program of study (inclusive of portfolio and internship),
  - 7.08.4 successfully complete the state-mandated licensure assessment.
- 7.09 Administrator Induction will continue until all requirements are met (no less than one and no more than three years)

### 8.0RULES PERTAINING TO BEGINNING ADMINISTRATOR INDUCTION

- 8.01 All administrators holding an Initial Building Level Administrator
  License, an Initial Building Level Administrator/Arkansas Correctional
  School License, Curriculum/Program Administrator License or an ALCP,
  who and are employed as beginning administrators, shall participate in
  Induction for no less than one year and no more than three years.
  - 8.01.1 All Building Level and/or Curriculum/Program Administrators, with less than one-year administrative experience, will be mentored for a minimum of one year.
- 8.02 Induction includes:
  - 8.02.1 participation in all Administrator Induction activities
    - 8.02.1.1 Having an assigned mentor for a minimum of one year
    - 8.02.1.2 <u>Attending all ADE-sponsored training sessions for</u>
      Administrators
  - 8.02.2 Registering for and Successfully completing the state-mandated assessment.
- 8.03 All Arkansas school districts shall complete and submit the ADE required <u>School</u> District <u>Mentoring Plan Signature and</u> Assurances Form ADE 161-17

- to the Office of Professional Quality Enhancement <u>Teacher Quality</u> at the Arkansas Department of Education no later than September 15 of each year.
- 8.04 Arkansas public school districts shall implement, support, and monitor the quality of mentoring as outlined in ADE <u>Beginning Administrator</u> Induction Guidelines. and the district's approved plan for mentoring.
- 8.05 All Arkansas School Districts shall:
  - 8.05.1 assign an <u>ADE-certified</u> administrator mentor <u>with relevant</u> experience to the Beginning Administrator within three weeks upon of employment of the Beginning Administrator,
  - 8.05.2release Beginning Administrators and Mentors from the district to attend <u>the mandatory</u> statewide <u>induction</u> orientation and <u>informational</u> <u>follow-up</u> meetings held by ADE,
  - 8.05.3 adhere to mentoring guidelines developed by ADE, including distribution of professional development support funding within the parameters established by ADE,
  - 8.05.4 file annual reports, including:
    - 8.05.4.1 the list of new administrators and mentors Beginning
      Administrator Mentor Pair Reporting Form submitted to
      the Office of Teacher Quality no later than September 15
      of each year,
    - 8.05.4.2 Professional Learning Plan for each Beginning Administrator
    - 8.05.4.3 the end of year expenditure <u>budget</u> report <u>to be</u> <u>submitted to the Office of Teacher Quality</u> no later than June 30 of each year.
- 8.06 Mentoring allocations for the Beginning Administrator shall follow the administrator to a new employment site if the administrator continues in an Arkansas public school.
  - 8.06.1 If the administrator moves to a non-public school, leaves the profession, or leaves Arkansas, materials bought with state mentoring allocations shall remain in the public school district where the administrator was last employed.
- 8.07 School districts that do not comply with these rules shall be placed in accredited-cited status for licensure deficiencies. Licensure deficiencies for these purposes are defined as:

- 8.07.1 failure to submit and implement an approved district mentoring plan,
- 8.07.2failure to register all Beginning Administrators with the Office of Professional Quality Enhancement Teacher Quality Enhancement, and/or
- 8.07.3 failure to comply with established guidelines for assignment, support and monitoring of Beginning Administrators and mentors.

### 9.0 RULES PERTAINING TO ADMINISTRATOR LICENSURE WAIVER

- 9.01 A waiver of administrator licensure may be requested by a school district when a district wishes to employ an individual as an Administrator with who has identified expertise but does not possess an administrator license nor a teaching license. This applies to building level and district level administrators only.
  - 9.01.1 NOTE: This is a district-specific, non-transferable waiver request, and does not culminate in an administrator license.
- 9.02 A <u>The waiver request shall must be made to the Director Commissioner</u> of the Department of Education.
- 9.03 A <u>The waiver request shall must outline the licensure area in which the waiver is being requested, and should include the following:</u>
  - 9.03.1 the need for the waiver.
  - 9.03.2 special qualifications of the individual for whom the waiver is being requested,
  - 9.03.3 outcome expectations,
  - 9.03.4 an annual accountability plan, and
  - 9.03.5 a timeline not to exceed three years.
- 9.04 The Director <u>Commissioner</u> will rule on the request based on the recommendations of a review team.
  - 9.04.1 The review team will be comprised of representatives of public education, higher education, the private sector, and ADE.
- 9.05 The Director <u>Commissioner</u> will notify the requesting district within thirty days.
  - 9.05.1 If the request is denied, the school district may appeal to the State Board of Education.

- 9.05.2 If the request is approved, the school district <u>shall</u> must file a progress report to the Director <u>Commissioner</u> after six months, and annually thereafter.
- 9.06 The Director <u>Commissioner</u> has the authority, based on the progress and annual reports, to revoke the waiver for reasonable cause.

### 10.0 GENERAL POLICIES PERTAINING TO ALL LICENSES

- 10.01 Administrators who need a duplicate license <u>shall</u> <del>must</del> submit a completed application form (indicating "duplicate") <u>and pay applicable</u> fee to the office of Professional Licensure.
  - 10.01.1 A duplicate license will be issued only for a license that is current.
- 10.02 All information and documentation submitted for an Arkansas Administrator License must be accurate, authentic and unaltered.

  10.02.1 Any license issued as a result of a violation of the abovementioned will be null and void.
- 10.03 The Office of Professional Licensure, as authorized by the State Board of Education, reserves the right to amend and/or rescind any Arkansas Administrator License that has been issued in error.