

August 12, 2026, webinar

Will there be a pushing out of the PK-6 dates? – No, the July 1, 2028, remains the date for all middle level and PK-4 programs to stop admitting candidates.

How will the guidelines impact those in current major review process of 12/1/26? – Any changes that occurred prior to July 1, 2026, will need reflected for EPP providers undergoing Major Review in the 2026-2027 cycle.

Stage 3 field experiences need to occur; students need to complete 150 hours. If EPP providers want to do formal observations in Stage 3, EPP can do so; however, Stage 3 observations are not required.

With ED Rising and other CTE education programs, students are bringing in other courses – can these requirements count towards the field experience requirements? At this time, until the student is in an education program Stages 1-3 cannot be completed. Students in ED Rising can get program credits from EPPs. See the form attached to this update.

Experiential Credit is going to be considered for field experiences. We will be sending out a survey to discuss a possible policy on this shortly.

All PK-6 programs will need approved – will go through initial review.

When grades 4-8 is phased out, will 6th grade middle school content teachers being able to do their student teaching in 6th grade for a 7-12 content cert? Yes, they can do it now. The 7-12 cert didn't change. Student teaching – secondary ed 7-12 teachers can teach 6th grade; student teachers 7-12 can also student teach 6th grade.

Is it correct that we cannot enroll PK-4 students after July 1, 2028? – Yes.

Are the Stage 3 observation changes in place now? – Yes.