

MEMORANDUM

To: Encore Board of Directors
From: Sabrina Bow, Executive Director
Date: May 17, 2024
Subject: Application for Variable Term Waiver Request

Encore seeks Board approval of Variable Term Waiver Requests for the following teachers:

- Jacob Arbittier
- Kyle Barkdull
- Desiree Huffine
- Kaitlyn Pedersen

The term of the waiver is March 6, 2024 to March 5, 2025.

Each of these teachers hold a preliminary CTE credential and is in process to complete the required coursework to earn a clear CTE credential and embedded English Learner authorization by the end of the waiver period. The purpose of the waiver is to permit teachers who hold a preliminary CTE credential to provide instruction to English Learner students during this interim.



Commission on Teacher Credentialing
 Certification Division
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VARIABLE TERM WAIVER REQUEST (WV1 Form)

Requests must be prepared by the employing agency, not the applicant. All materials must be typewritten or computer generated and sufficiently clear to photocopy. This form must be used for **first time and subsequent** waivers only.

1. EMPLOYING AGENCY (include mailing address)	County/District CDS Code	Contact Person: Telephone #: EMail:
NPS/NPA (list county code _____)		

2. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Social Security or Individual Tax Identification Number:

All applicants must answer professional fitness questions (see #11). In addition, if fingerprint clearance is not on file at CTC, a completed Live Scan receipt ([41-LS](#)) must be submitted with this waiver request. If needed, a review by the Division of Professional Practices will be concluded before a waiver approval letter will be issued.

Full Legal Name _____
First Middle Last

Former Name(s) _____ Birth Date _____

Applicant's Mailing Address _____

Phone# _____ Email _____

Waiver Title _____

(List the specific title and subject area of the credential that authorizes the assignment. Note that the subject must be one that is available under current regulations.)

Assignment _____

Indicate specific position and grade level (e.g. chemistry teacher, grades 11-12)

- For bilingual assignment list LANGUAGE: _____
- Is this a full time position? Yes No
- If not, indicate how many periods a day the individual will be teaching the waiver assignment(s) _____
- Is this a subsequent waiver? (see #9 for additional information) Yes No

3. EDUCATION CODE OR TITLE 5 SECTION TO BE WAIVED

Specific section(s) covering the assignment: _____

4. EFFECTIVE DATES

Waivers are dated effective the beginning date of service. Provide the ending date of your school term, track or year below. A justification *must* be included if the expiration date extends beyond the term, track or year.

Effective Dates (mm/dd/yyyy): _____/_____/_____ to _____/_____/_____

Ending date of school term, track, or year: _____/_____/_____

5. STATEWIDE HIGH INCIDENCE AREA WAIVER REQUESTS:

a. INDICATE THE SHORTAGE AREA FOR THE ASSIGNMENT

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| Special Education | Driver Education and Training |
| Clinical or Rehabilitative Services | 30-Day Substitute |
| Speech-Language Pathology Services | |

b. INDICATE WHAT WAS DONE THIS YEAR TO LOCATE AND RECRUIT INDIVIDUALS TO FILL THIS POSITION

No copies are necessary if this is a recognized high incidence area.

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|---|---------------------------------|
| Advertised in local/national newspapers | Contacted IHE placement centers |
| Advertised in professional journals | Distributed job announcements |
| Attended job fairs in California | Internet |
| Attended recruitment out-of-state | |

Other _____

c. IF THIS IS AN INITIAL WAIVER REQUEST, EXPLAIN WHAT MAKES THE APPLICANT THE BEST CANDIDATE

Include detailed information about the individual's professional preparation and expertise in the subject/area requested and attach appropriate documentation including transcripts, examination score reports, and verification of experience.

6. NON STATEWIDE NON SHORTAGE AREA WAIVER REQUESTS:

a. INDICATE THE LOW INCIDENCE AREA FOR THE ASSIGNMENT

Administrative Services

Single Subject Teaching (**all** subject areas)

Designated Subjects – except driver education and training

Teacher Librarian Services

Multiple Subject Teaching

Pupil Personnel Services: Counseling, Psychology, Social Work

Reading Specialist/Certificate

Teacher of English Learner Students

b. INDICATE WHAT WAS DONE THIS YEAR TO LOCATE AND RECRUIT INDIVIDUALS TO FILL THIS POSITION

Copies of announcements, advertisements, web site registration, etc. **must** be attached.

The employer must verify **all** of the following:

Distributed job announcements

Contacted IHE placement centers

Internet (i.e. www.edjoin.org)

Optional recruitment methods:

Advertised in local/national newspaper

Attended job fairs in California

Attended recruitment out-of-state

Advertised in professional journals

Other _____

c. PROVIDE DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESULTS OF RECRUITMENT EFFORTS. BE SURE TO ANSWER EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

How many individuals credentialed in the authorization of the waiver request applied for the position? _____

How many individuals credentialed in the authorization of the waiver request were interviewed? _____

What were the results of those interviews? (Please indicate answers in numbers)

_____ Applicant(s) withdrew

_____ Candidate(s) declined job offer

_____ Candidate(s) found unsuitable for the assignment

d. PROVIDE THE SPECIFIC EMPLOYMENT CRITERIA FOR THE POSITION

What special skills and knowledge are needed to successfully perform in this position? These should also be described in your recruitment advertisements and announcements.

e. IF THIS IS AN INITIAL WAIVER REQUEST, EXPLAIN WHAT MAKES THE APPLICANT THE BEST CANDIDATE

Include detailed information about the individual's professional preparation and expertise in the subject/area requested and attach appropriate documentation including transcripts, examination score reports, and verification of experience.

7. REQUIREMENTS AND TARGET COMPLETION DATES FOR REACHING CREDENTIAL GOAL

List the requirements that the applicant must complete to be eligible for the credential along with the credential goal and target date by which he or she plans to complete those requirements

PROGRAM, COURSE, EXAMINATION, EXPERIENCE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE

8. LIST THE NAME AND POSITION OF THE PERSON ASSIGNED TO PROVIDE SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE TO THE APPLICANT DURING THE TERM OF THIS WAIVER

By assigning this individual, the employing agency makes a commitment to provide orientation, guidance and assistance to the applicant, as feasible, in completing the requirement(s) listed above.

Name _____ Position _____

9. SUBSEQUENT WAIVER REQUESTS

- Attach a copy of a personnel evaluation that verifies the applicant served satisfactorily in the position authorized by the previous waiver.
- Attach supporting documentation

10. IS THIS EMPLOYING AGENCY GEOGRAPHICALLY ISOLATED?

Would the applicant have to travel more than 1 1/2 hours one-way to attend an institution with an approved program to meet the credential goal?

Yes No Not applicable (program completion is not a requirement)

11. PROFESSIONAL FITNESS QUESTIONS (to be answered by the applicant)

Answers to the following questions are required. **If you answer yes to any question, you must complete the corresponding [Professional Fitness Explanation Form](#).**

Before granting your application, the Commission will review, at a minimum:

- Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history (rap sheet)
- California Department of Justice criminal history (rap sheet)
- International database of teacher misconduct maintained by the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC)
- Previous reviews by the Commission
- Complaints from others
- Notifications from school districts
- Teacher preparation test score violations

You must disclose misconduct, even if:

- It happened a long time ago
- It happened in another state, federal court, military or jurisdiction outside the United States
- You did not go to court and your attorney went for you
- You did not go to jail or the sentence was only a fine or probation
- You received a certificate of rehabilitation
- Your conviction was later dismissed (even if under Penal Code section 1203.4), expunged, set aside or the sentence was suspended



WARNING: You will be required to sign your application under penalty of perjury; by doing so you are also stating that you understand:

- That the information you provide is true and correct;
- That you understand any and all instructions related to your application;
- Failure to disclose any information requested is falsification of your application and the Commission may reject or deny your application or take disciplinary action against your credential;
- The Commission may reject your application if it is incomplete and it will be delayed.

a. Have you ever been:

- dismissed or,
- non-reelected or,
- suspended without pay for more than ten days, or
- retired or,
- resigned from, or otherwise left school employment

because of **allegations of misconduct** or while **allegations of misconduct** were pending?

Yes

No

b. Have you ever been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor in California or any other place?

You must disclose:

- all criminal convictions
- misdemeanors and felonies
- convictions based on a plea of no contest or nolo contendere
- convictions dismissed pursuant to Penal Code Section 1203.4
- driving under the influence (DUI) or reckless driving convictions
- no matter how much time has passed

You do not have to disclose:

- misdemeanor marijuana-related convictions that occurred more than two years prior to this application, except convictions involving concentrated cannabis, which must be disclosed regardless of the date of such a conviction.
- Infractions (DUI or reckless driving convictions are not infractions)

Yes

No

c. Are you currently the subject of any inquiry or investigation by any law enforcement agency or any licensing agency in California or any other state?

Yes

No

d. Are any criminal charges currently pending against you?

Yes

No

e. Have you ever had any credential, including but not limited to, any Certificate of Clearance, permit, credential, license or other document authorizing public school service, revoked, denied, suspended, publicly reprimanded, and/or otherwise subjected to any other disciplinary action (including an action that was stayed) in California or any other state or place?

Yes

No

f. Have you ever had any professional or vocational (not teaching or educational) license revoked, denied, suspended, and/or otherwise subjected to any other disciplinary action (including an action that was stayed) in California or any other state or place?

Yes

No

12. CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT MANDATED REPORTING (to be answered by the applicant)

As a document holder authorized to work with children, it is part of my professional and ethical duty to report every instance of child abuse or neglect known or suspected to have occurred to a child with whom I have professional contact.

I understand that I must report immediately, or as soon as practicably possible, by telephone to a law enforcement agency or a child protective agency, and will send a written report and any evidence relating to the incident within 36 hours of becoming aware of the abuse or neglect of the child.

I understand that reporting the information regarding a case of possible child abuse or neglect to an employer, supervisor, school principal, school counselor, coworker, or other person is not a substitute for making a mandated report to a law enforcement agency or a child protective agency.

I understand that the reporting duties are individual and no supervisor or administrator may impede or inhibit my reporting duties.

I understand that once I submit a report, I am not required to disclose my identity to my employer.

I understand that my failure to report an instance of suspected child abuse or neglect as required by the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act under Section 11166 of the Penal Code is a misdemeanor punishable by up to six months in jail or by a fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or by both that imprisonment and fine.

I acknowledge and certify that as a document holder, I will fulfill all the duties required of a mandated reporter.

I agree

13. PUBLIC NOTICE -- CHECK THE BOX THAT APPLIES

Public School District: Attached is a copy of the agenda item presented to the governing board of the school district in a public meeting showing the name of the applicant, the specific assignment including subject and grade level, and the fact that employment will be on the basis of a credential waiver. With the signature of the superintendent or his or her designee in item #14 below, the person signing verifies that the board acted upon the item favorably.

By submitting this waiver request the district is certifying that reasonable efforts to recruit a fully prepared teacher for the assignment(s) were made in the following order:

1. A candidate who is qualified to participate in an approved internship program in the region of the school district
2. An individual who is scheduled to complete initial preparation requirements within six months

County Office of Education, State Agency, or Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School or Agency: Attached is a dated copy of the notice that was posted at least 72 hours before the position was filled showing the name of the applicant, the specific assignment including subject and grade level, and the fact that employment will be on the basis of a credential waiver. With the signature of the superintendent or administrator or his or her designee in item #14 below, the person signing verifies that there were no objections to this waiver request.

14. APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that in order to receive a subsequent waiver for this assignment I must pursue the completion of requirements to obtain full certification in the subject or area covered by this waiver request as specified in #7 above.

I understand that if my case is heard in a public meeting, all materials submitted to the Commission regarding my suitability, including grades and test scores, may be discussed.

I hereby certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that all of the foregoing statements in this application are true and correct.

Signature of Applicant

(Sign full legal name as listed in #2)

Date

15. EMPLOYING AGENCY CERTIFICATION *(To be signed by district or county superintendent, personnel administrator, NPS/NPA administrator, or designee.)*

The person for whom this waiver is requested will not be employed until he or she has been cleared by the Department of Justice under the provisions of Education Code Section 44332.6 and Section 44830.1 (AB1612). The employer acknowledges that the Commission's final approval of this individual's waiver will be determined by a fitness review covering, in part, criminal activity, including certain in-state and/or out-of-state convictions. If this waiver request is for service to special education children, the Special Education Local Planning Area (SELPA) has been notified of our intent to request this waiver.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this report is accurate and complete.

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____