Changes for the 2017-2018 Assignment Credential Manual

Federal HQT Requirement:

The term Highly Qualified Teacher (HQT) was a federal initiative under the No Child Left Behind - Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). The act required all teachers who teach in a core content area(s) to demonstrate content mastery in the specific content area for which they are teaching. Under the new Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the highly qualified requirement is removed effective July 1, 2016. Some LEA's still require demonstration of content master for all core content areas for which the teacher is providing direct service/instruction. The state requires a person to hold the proper certificate/endorsement for the services being rendered. A Praxis II Subject Specific Assessment may be applicable to obtaining a certificate/endorsement but is no longer required to meet the Federal Highly Qualified requirement.

Coding Elementary – All Subjects K/8 Teachers:

- An elementary teacher in a self-contained classroom can be coded using a single assignment code or the codes may be broken out. Please do not mix 00009/00010 with the broken out codes. You would not code someone with 00009/00010 in conjunction with 00011, 00041, etc.

    Do it this way:

    00009 Elementary Instruction - All Subjects Self-Contained (Gr. 1-3)
    00010 Elementary Instruction - All Subjects Self-Contained (Gr. 4-6)

    OR

    This way:

    00011 English – Elementary (Gr. 1-6)
    00041 Mathematics – Elementary (Gr. 1-6)
    00061 General Science – Elementary (Gr. 1-6)
    00063 Social Studies – Elementary (Gr. 1-6)
    00005 Exploratory – Elementary (Gr. K-6)

- The 7029 Generalist K/12 endorsement (i.e., special education endorsement) has been eliminated from the regular elementary assignment codes as it was determined the person prepared as a special education teacher does not have the same preparation as the elementary teacher. If a district/charter has been using a person with the Exceptional Child – Generalist K/12 as an elementary teacher and the person does not hold the Elementary Certificate – All Subjects

K/8 endorsement a request to add the endorsement can be made if the following can be submitted: a letter of support from the district, proof of passage of the Elementary Multiple Subjects Praxis II assessment and two successful evaluations from the last two years. Upon receipt of the documentation the All-Subjects K/8 endorsement may be added to the candidate's current credential.

IMPORTANT: If the candidate has not been teaching elementary for the last two years or does not have successful evaluations, the district can apply for the Alternative Authorization – Teacher to New Certification/Endorsement, allowing time for the candidate to complete the requirements outlined by a college/university or ABCTE in order to obtain the Elementary Certificate - All Subjects K/8 Endorsement.

- Use assignment code **00070 Supplemental Instruction – Elementary (Gr. K-6)** for those teachers who are supplementing the elementary instruction provided to help children most in need to meet state standards. Can be used for a Title I teacher who is supplementing the instruction of an elementary teacher of record, not in place of. (Not intended for special education, see codes 00080, 00081, 00083 as applicable). Title I teachers in their own classroom should be coded using the self-contained elementary code or the broken out codes, previously noted above in this document.

Coding Exceptional Child Generalist (Special Education) Teachers:

An Exceptional Child Certificate with a Generalist K/12 Endorsement allows the certificate holder to teach any subject identified within goals and objectives on a special education student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP). There are no additional highly qualified requirements that need to be met to teach any subject to students who are on an IEP. This includes, but is not limited to science, social studies, English language arts, mathematics, etc. to sixth through twelfth grade (6th-12th) special education students. This does not allow the Generalist K/12 teacher to teach core content assignments to students who are not on an IEP.

Endorsement changes:

- The following endorsements have been added to the manual:

    7400 Computer Science 6/12
    7990 Engineering 6/12
    7020 Teacher Librarian K/12 (name changed from Library Media
        Specialist)
    7710 World Language K/12 (name changed from Foreign Language)

- There are several endorsements below that have been eliminated from the SDE Assignment Credential manual as they no longer exist in Idaho Code, however, in most instances the individual will be grandfathered in with the endorsement(s) currently available in Idaho Code which most closely aligns (see table below for alignment:

Endorsement number	If they have this endorsement	We gave them this endorsement (2016-2017)	We will give them this endorsement (2017-2018)
8141	Communication/Drama 6/9	8144 Communication 6/9 and also 8137 Drama 6/9	8144 Communication (5-9) and 8137 Theater (5-9)
7141	Communication/Drama 6/12	7144 Communication 6/12 and also 7137 Drama 6/12	7144 Communication (6-12) and 7137 Theater (6-12)
8223	American Government 6/9	8222 Am Gov/Political Science 6/9	8222 American Government/Political Science (5-9)
7223	American Government 6/12	7222 Am Gov/Political Science 6/12	7222 American Government/Political Science (6-12)
8227	Political Science 6/9	8222 Am Gov/Political Science 6/9	8222 American Government/Political Science (5-9)
7227	Political Science 6/12	7222 Am Gov/Political Science 6/12	7222 American Government/Political Science (6-12)
7950	Consumer Ec 6/12	7228 Economics 6/12	
7051	Elementary School Principal	7053 School Principal Pre-K/12	7053 School Principal K/12
7052	Secondary School Principal	7053 School Principal Pre-K/12	7053 School Principal K/12
7005	School Nurse	7027 School Nurse	
7031	Serious/Emotion Disturbed K/12	7029 Generalist K/12	
7032	Severe Retardation K/12	7029 Generalist K/12	

7033	Multiple Impairment K/12	7029 Generalist K/12	
7034	Physical Impairment K/12	7029 Generalist K/12	
7125	ENL **6/12**		7126 English as a New Language (ENL) (K-12)
7513	PE & Health 6/12		7512 Physical Education (PE) (6-12) and 7520 Health (6-12)
7047	Supervisor/Coordinator – Special Education (All grades)		7045 Special Education Consulting Teacher (K-12)
7009	All Subjects K/3		7010 All Subjects (K-8)
7321	Computer Applications		Will need to have CTE evaluate as the endorsement is no longer in code and there is nothing equivalent

Coding for Virtual Teachers and the Proctor in the Classroom:

- First, it is very important to keep in mind, Plato, Novanet, etc., are considered curriculum to be taught by the properly endorsed teacher. They are not courses like IDLA where a properly endorsed teacher provides the instruction.

- The virtual teacher and the proctor in the classroom should be given the same assignment code and the proctor in the classroom should have the "teacher role" of "P" for proctor. If the proctor in the classroom is not certificated, code the proctor with a classified (non-certified) assignment code, i.e., 97501.

Important: Please make sure to read through the Step-by-Step Instructions for Assignment Credential Reporting. Additional helpful information can be obtained that is relevant to reporting but not necessarily an Assignment Credential Manual change from last year.

Thank you for all your hard work and persistence!