

EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION – Grades P-3, Competency-based Endorsement (Effective June 1, 2013)

(WAC 181-82A) For a competency-based endorsement, the student must have completed College of Education requirements for Washington State Residency Teacher Certification in elementary, secondary, and/or special education, knowledge/skills equivalent to a “major” (i.e., 30-45 semester credits) in the endorsement area and related areas and/or approved waiver documentation; passed the WEST-E test in the appropriate endorsement area (see below); complete appropriate methods courses, and be observed teaching.

KEY: * = one course from those marked with one “*” may be waived with successful passing of appropriate WEST-E test(s).

** = one additional course from courses indicated with one “*” or two “**” may be waived for exceptional cases, only.

Submit the completed application form, including necessary signatures, for approval to the Education Office.

The following areas are competencies required to obtain this endorsement. For specific Knowledge/Skills for each Competency, please refer to the set of Competency-based Endorsement Documents available from the OSPI Website (<http://www.k12.wa.us/certification/profed/competency.aspx>)

1. Foundations of Special Education
2. Characteristics of Learners
3. Individual Learning Differences
4. Assessment, Diagnosis, Evaluation
5. Planning, Content and Practice
6. Planning and Managing the Teaching and Learning Environment
7. Managing Student Behavior and Social Interaction Skills
8. Communication and Collaborative Partnerships
9. Professionalism and Ethical Practices

- Complete the chart below and submit to the College of Education Office within 1 month after acceptance to a teacher certification program.
- Official transcripts for all courses (Grades of “C” or above) must be provided in addition to the following information.
- Waiver documentation must accompany this form for Competency Areas not covered by coursework.
- WEST-E tests must be taken and passed prior to certification for all endorsements earned

For Office Use Only:

_____ Letter of Acceptance Date

The following have been completed:

_____ All Endorsement Competencies Met

_____ WEST-E Score_____

_____ Appropriate Methods Courses

_____ Observation of successful teaching in the endorsement area or related area

_____ Date
Dean’s Signature or Designee

Course Prefix, Number, and Title Saint Martin’s University Course from Other College/Univ.	Year Taken	College/University or Waiver Documentation (attach)	# Credits – indicate if Sem or Qtr	Course Grade	Endorsement Competency Areas (See Above)
Full Endorsement in <u>Special Education (including SED WEST-E exam)</u> – including core foundation courses and methods courses	Special Education Endorsement must be completed (including WEST-E exam) and the SED Endorsement Form Attached *Note: Taking the WEST-E exams for ECE and SED will not satisfy exam requirements for an endorsement in ECE-SED. A separate exam is required for ECE-SED.				
Endorsement Form in <u>Early Childhood Education</u> – including core foundation courses and methods courses: attach early childhood education endorsement form	Early Childhood Education Endorsement Form must be Attached (WEST-E <u>exam</u> for ECE is <u>not</u> required).				

Affidavit

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington, that the foregoing is true and correct.

_____ Date

_____ Print Name

_____ Signature