

## **Early Completion Option (ECO) for Multiple Subject and Single Subject Intern Program Candidates**

### **Application Requirements for ECO**

The Early Completion Option (ECO) is intended to provide individuals who have requisite skills and knowledge an opportunity to challenge the coursework portion of a Multiple Subject (MS) or Single Subject (SS) Intern Credentialing Program. The Early Completion Option **does not waive the entire program but allows for an expedited pathway by waiving preparation program coursework** for those candidates who meet the criteria.

### **Requirements for the Early Completion Intern Option**

Individuals applying for ECO in the Intern Program must satisfy **all** of the following requirements:

1. The student must meet all intern eligibility requirements, except the requirement that all Foundations and Methods coursework must be completed. The ECO request is a request to waive coursework.
2. The student must have an offer of employment, be enrolled in the CPP Credential Program, and have submitted an application to the CPP Intern Program. An ECO application can only be considered when the student has an immediate job offer for a teaching position that matches the credential sought.
3. Assessments: An intern who elects to use the ECO **must first pass the required APK to qualify to take the teaching performance assessment (TPA) required for the ECO**, as specified in Education Code section 44468. The students must pass the following assessment and provide evidence of passing with the ECO Application:
  1. National Evaluation Series (NES) Assessment of Professional Knowledge (APK): Elementary (Test code 051) for Multiple Subjects candidates **or**
  2. Secondary (Test code 052) for Single Subject candidates (See Terms and Definitions on the CTC website).
4. The student must pass the TPAs and provide evidence of passing with the ECO application. ECO Applicants **must pass the TPA's within the first year of the program, on the first attempt** in order to be eligible for the ECO. Candidates must remain enrolled in the program coursework and participate in the supervised clinical placement until the TPAs are passed. If a candidate does not

pass any section of the TPA on the first attempt, they are no longer eligible to participate in the ECO program and must complete the full teacher preparation program.

5. ECO Applicants must provide evidence of meeting the U.S. Constitution requirement. This is a requirement for the ECO and the Intern Program Application, which can be met through successful completion of a course (two semester units or three quarter units) in the provisions and principles of the U.S. Constitution, or passage of an examination in the subject given by a regionally accredited college, or university.
6. An ECO Applicant must provide evidence of the following: Fingerprint processing by Live Scan ([form 41-LS](#)), if not previously completed for the Commission. This *would be a requirement of employment in the school district and would be handled by the employer offering the teaching position.*

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