TITLE 210. STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CHAPTER 20. STAFF SUBCHAPTER 9. PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS: TEACHER EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION PART 9. TEACHER CERTIFICATION

210:20-9-100. Teacher Competency Review Panel

(a) The Teacher Competency Review Panel shall meet at the call of the State Superintendent. Applicants to the Alternative Placement Program who have completed the requirements in law and State Board of Education rules shall submit one copy of the following items to the Teacher Competency Review Panel for evaluation of qualifications and career accomplishments pursuant to 70 O.S. Supp. 2001 § 6-202:

(1) résumé of experience,

(2) written explanation of why the applicant wants to become a teacher, and

(3) criminal background history check conducted by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation.

(b) An interview with the Teacher Competency Review Panel is required.

(c) The Teacher Competency Review Panel shall notify applicants in writing of the panel's recommendation to license or not to license. If the Teacher Competency Review Panel's recommendation is not to license an applicant, the panel shall state the reasons for the recommendation in the letter to the applicant.

(d) Any applicant to the alternative placement program who does not receive a favorable recommendation from the panel may submit a letter to the Oklahoma State Board of Education within 90 days of the panel's recommendation to appeal the recommendation.

(e) The State Board of Education may access and review any documents or materials relevant to the applicant's initial application and appeal.

(f) The State Board of Education may accept the panel's recommendation not to license or may reverse the recommendation and issue a license to applicant.

(g) Notice of the State Board of Education's decision shall be sent to the applicant.