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STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Janet C. Barresi *JCB*

DATE: January 31, 2013

SUBJECT: Exceptions to the State Board of Education Regulations Concerning Teacher Certification as Presented by the Teacher Certification Section

The Teacher Certification Section presents these exceptions to the State Board of Education. These requests are based on district need.

State Board of Education authority to grant exceptions to the requirements for licensure and certification is provided by 70 O.S. § 6-187.

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Attachments

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

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70 O.S. § 6-187

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Name of Applicant/Degree

Area Requested

1. Autumn Brown
10533 Herbert Drive
Midwest City, OK 73130

Middle Level Science

Bachelor's Degree in Life/Biology Sciences—St. Gregory's University

School District/Superintendent/County
Mid-Del Public School
Dr. Pam Deering
Oklahoma County

Test Required for Certification:

Middle Level Science Subject Area Test
Oklahoma Professional Teachers Exam

Mid-Del Public School is asking for an exception for a Middle Level Science Teacher. Ms. Brown completed a teachers education program from St. Gregory's University and is scheduled to take her test on January 26, 2013 with the results available on February 22, 2013. At that time she will be eligible to be recommended by the university.

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Area Requested

2. Courtney Krout
8702 West Broncho Road
Marlow, OK 73055

Early Childhood

Bachelor's Degree in Human Development and Family Science with an option in Early Childhood –Oklahoma State University.

School District/Superintendent/County
Hennessey Public Schools
Mr. Joe McCulley, Superintendent
Kingfisher County

Test Required for Certification: Early Childhood Subject Area Test
Oklahoma Professional Teachers Exam

Hennessey Public Schools is asking for an exception for Early Childhood for Ms. Courtney Krout. They have had a position open since the beginning of the school year and have been unable to fill the position. Ms. Krout graduated in December from Oklahoma State University and once she has completed her testing requirements she will be eligible to be recommended by the university.

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Area Requested

3. Rone Tempest
5717 NW 33 Street
Oklahoma City OK 73122

Middle Level Science

Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Leadership—Southern Nazarene University.

School District/Superintendent/County
Oklahoma City Public Schools
Mr. Karl Springer, Superintendent
Oklahoma County

Test Required for Certification: Middle Level Science Subject Area Test

Oklahoma City Schools is requesting an exception for Middle Level Science for Mr. Tempest. Mr. Tempest is currently certified through the Alternative Placement Program. Mr. Tempest took 10 hours of Biological Science classes while obtaining his Bachelor's Degree
