

**ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**  
**Agriculture Education, Grades 7-12 (area 218)**  
**Additional Licensure Plan**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ S.S.#: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ School District: \_\_\_\_\_

School districts seeking to employ educator to teach out of field (not in the field in which the educator is currently licensed) will use the Additional Licensure Plan (ALP) to meet that need. School districts may use the ALP process to address unusual emergency situations when licensed educators are asked to teach in areas/levels for which they are not licensed. School districts may not exceed the six semester limit without possible penalty.

**Eligibility Guidelines.** Educator must meet the following conditions:

- possess a standard Arkansas educator license,
- seek to add this area of licensure or endorsement, and
- be assigned to teach in this area rather than the one for which they are currently licensed.

**For information on adding additional licensure areas by testing out or through a program of study and testing, please refer to the Department of Education website at [www.arkansased.org](http://www.arkansased.org) and click on Educator Licensure, then Add Licensure Area to License.**

**Required Assessments:**

**Praxis II: Agriculture, test #5701**

**Minimum score required: 147**

NOTE: Test at a Glance (TAAG) study guide booklets are available on line from <https://www.ets.org/praxis/prepare/materials>. Any educator wishing to take any Praxis assessment is strongly encouraged to obtain these study materials.

**The following background is strongly recommended before attempting the Praxis testing:**

**Recommended Content Background:**

Refer to current educator competencies for the area.

<http://www.arkansased.org/divisions/human-resources-educator-effectiveness-and-licensure/educator-licensure-unit/educator-preparation/educator-competencies>

**Recommended Experience Background:**

- Study of the effect of economic/political decision of agriculture.
- Study of basic plant taxonomy: plant parts and functions.
- Study of crop production and management.
- Study of general animal science relating to breeding characteristics of beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, horses, poultry, etc.
- Experience with power machinery and equipment, including maintenance and repair.
- Experience with agriculture sales and marketing, such as future, grading and inspection.
- Study of forestry, fish and wildlife ecology.

**Employing School District Guidelines:**

- The employing school district will document the need to assign a educator out of field.
- The employing school district superintendent shall submit a waiver request and completed ALP form to the ADE Office of Educator Licensure *within 30 days of the out-of-field teaching assignment*. Thus documenting the above statement.
- The employing school district understands that an educator working under this ALP shall make adequate yearly progress (as specified in the Rules Governing Educator Licensure) each school year that the educator is employed in the out-of-area assignment.
- The employing school district understands that the educator will have no more than six consecutive semesters from the first date he/she was employed in the out-of-area assignment by any district to meet full licensure requirements for the additional licensure or endorsement being sought. A waiver request must be submitted each school year the educator is employed out-of-area.

**School District Assurances:**

I certify that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Educator ALP Guidelines:**

Educator shall make adequate yearly progress (as specified in the Rules Governing Educator Licensure) each school year that the educator is employed in the out-of-area assignment. If the educator EITHER leaves the ALP position OR doesn't complete the requirements within six consecutive semesters, he/she will NOT be eligible for employment again under an ALP for this area of licensure.

Signature of Educator: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ S.S.#: \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:**

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