

We are working hard on logistics of implementing LD 1189, which went into effect on 6/16/2021 upon Gov. Mills signature. Here are the changes you can plan for:

- Creation of an Emergency Certificate (1 year)
 - Background check required
 - Applicants can qualify with either BA or equivalent work/academic experience, enrollment in an approved teacher prep program, or currently holds an Ed Tech III certificate
 - No more than 3 can be issued per applicant
- Creation of a Reciprocity Professional Certificate (5 years)
 - Background check required
 - Must hold comparable certificate in any other state or country
- Options for Praxis requirements for teacher applicants
 - Applicants can either pass the required tests OR meet 3.0 GPA average in required coursework OR approval of portfolio submission
- Local Language Immersion Programs
 - Language immersion teachers no longer need to be certified
 - CHRC required
- Creation of an Emergency Ed Tech Certificate (5 years)
 - For completers of EMCC Learning Facilitator program and other DOE approved programs
 - Equivalent to an Ed Tech III
 - Background check required
- School Psychologist endorsement modifications
 - Updated statute to assist in removing barriers to certification

Please know implementing the logistics of the changes takes time. We appreciate your understanding and patience.