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SUMMARY

OVERVIEW OF THE PAST STANDARDS

The early standards for initial certification in Idaho were based on the 1989 National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) standards. These standards were "input-based", meaning a candidate was recommended for initial certification based on credits and content of courses successfully completed (transcript review).

In 2000, Idaho adopted new standards based on the Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (INTASC) model. These standards reflected a move to "performance-based" outcomes, meaning a candidate is recommended for initial certification based on the demonstration of what they know and are able to do, similar to mastery-based education.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Each proposed standard is broken down into two areas:

- Knowledge (what the candidate needs to know)
- Performance (what the candidate is able to do)

The performance, therefore, is the demonstration of the knowledge and dispositions of a standard. As the demonstration of a standard, the performances will also guide a teacher-education program review team when evaluating for program accreditation.

REVISED IDAHO CORE TEACHER STANDARDS

The "Idaho Core Teacher Standards" apply to ALL teacher certification areas. These are the 10 basic standards all teachers must know and be able to do, regardless of their specific content areas. These standards are described in more detail with knowledge and performances in the first section of this manual. The standards have been grouped into four general categories to help users organize their thinking about the standards: The Learner and Learning; Content; Instructional Practice; and Professional Responsibility. The summary of each standard is:

THE LEARNER AND LEARNING

**Standard 1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Standard 2: Learning Differences.** The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.
Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

CONTENT

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICE

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
FOUNDATION AND ENHANCEMENT STANDARDS

The Core Teacher Standards apply to **ALL** teacher certification areas. The Foundations and/or Enhancements for each content certification area are behind the Core Standards in this manual, alphabetically.

Foundation and Enhancement Standards refer to additional knowledge and performances a teacher must know in order to teach a certain content area. The Foundation and Enhancement Standards, therefore, further "enhance" the Core Standard.

**Example of content area Enhancements:**

**Standard 1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Examples of an Enhancement to Standard 1:**

For Elementary: The teacher understands how young children’s and early adolescents’ literacy and language development influence learning and instructional decisions across content areas.

For Math: The teacher knows how to recognize students’ mathematical development, knowledge, understandings, ways of thinking, mathematical dispositions, interests, and experiences.

In this way, the Idaho Core Teacher Standards, Foundation Standards and Enhancement Standards are "layered" to describe what a teacher in the content area must know and be able to do in order to be recommended to the state for initial certification.

Important enhancements for several content areas do not fall under the ten Core Teacher Standards. For example, a science teacher must provide a safe learning environment in relation to labs, materials, equipment, and procedures. This does not fall under an area that every teacher needs to know. Therefore, it is Standard #11 under Science.

In no case are there more than 12 overall standards for any subject area.
PUPIL PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATOR CERTIFICATION STANDARDS

There are several certification standards for pupil personnel professionals and school administrators that are also addressed through the Idaho teacher certification processes.

- Administrator Endorsements
  - School Principals
  - Superintendents
  - Special Education Directors

- Pupil Personnel Services Endorsements
  - Audiology
  - School Counselors
  - School Nurses
  - School Psychologists
  - School Social Workers
  - Speech Language Pathology

Because of the unique role of these professionals, their standards are independent of the Core Standards, but are still written in the same performance-based format: Knowledge and Performances.

THE PROCESS OF IDAHO STANDARDS MAINTENANCE

The Professional Standards Commission (PSC) continuously reviews/revises 20% of the standards annually. The standards review process ensures current best practices are embedded.

The process for all standards reviews are as follows:

- A standards review team of content area experts from educators, including those from K-12 schools and higher education, is formed for each standard area.
- The team of content area experts reviews the standards and makes revisions, if necessary.
- The recommended revisions from the team of content area experts are presented to the PSC.
- Once the PSC approves the revisions, they are presented to the State Board of Education for approval.
- After the State Board of Education approves the revisions, they are presented to the Legislature for approval and if approved become an incorporated by reference document in state Board Rule.
All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Core Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

The standards have been grouped into four general categories to help users organize their thinking about the standards: The Learner and Learning, Content, Instructional Practice, and Professional Responsibility. This language has been adopted verbatim from the April 2011 InTASC Model Core Teaching Standards.

THE LEARNER AND LEARNING

Teaching begins with the learner. To ensure that each student learns new knowledge and skills, teachers must understand that learning and developmental patterns vary among individuals, that learners bring unique individual differences to the learning process, and that learners need supportive and safe learning environments to thrive. Effective teachers have high expectations for each and every learner and implement developmentally appropriate, challenging learning experiences within a variety of learning environments that help all learners meet high standards and reach their full potential. Teachers do this by combining a base of professional knowledge, including an understanding of how cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical development occurs, with the recognition that learners are individuals who bring differing personal and family backgrounds, skills, abilities, perspectives, talents and interests. Teachers collaborate with learners, colleagues, school leaders, families, members of the learners’ communities, and community organizations to better understand their students and maximize their learning. Teachers promote learners’ acceptance of responsibility for their own learning and collaborate with them to ensure the effective design and implementation of both self-directed and collaborative learning.

Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.
Knowledge

1(a) The teacher understands how learning occurs—how learners construct knowledge, acquire skills, and develop disciplined thinking processes—and knows how to use instructional strategies that promote student learning.

1(b) The teacher understands that each learner’s cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical development influences learning and knows how to make instructional decisions that build on learners’ strengths and needs.

1(c) The teacher knows how to identify readiness for learning and understands that development in any one area (cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical) may affect performance in others.

1(d) The teacher understands the role of language, culture, and socio-historical context in learning and knows how to differentiate instruction to make language comprehensible and instruction relevant, accessible, and challenging.

Performance

1(e) The teacher regularly assesses individual and group performance in order to design and differentiate instruction to meet learners’ needs in each area of development (cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical) and scaffolds the next level of development.

1(f) The teacher creates developmentally appropriate instruction that takes into account individual learners’ strengths, interests, needs, and background that enables each learner to advance and accelerate his/her learning.

1(g) The teacher collaborates with families, communities, colleagues, and other professionals to promote learner growth and development.

Disposition

1(h) The teacher respects learners’ differing strengths and needs and is committed to using this information to further each learner’s development.

1(i) The teacher is committed to using learners’ strengths as a basis for growth, and their misconceptions as opportunities for learning.

1(j) The teacher takes responsibility for promoting learners’ growth and development.

1(k) The teacher values collaborative relationships with families, colleagues, and other professionals in understanding and supporting each learner’s development.

Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.
**Knowledge**

2(a) The teacher understands and identifies differences in approaches to learning and performance and knows how to design instruction that uses each learner’s strengths to promote growth.

2(b) The teacher understands students with exceptional needs, including those associated with disabilities and giftedness, and knows how to use strategies and resources to address these needs.

2(c) The teacher knows about linguistic diversity and second language acquisition processes and knows instructional strategies and resources to support language acquisition.

2(d) The teacher understands that learners bring assets for learning based on their individual experiences, abilities, talents, prior learning, and peer and social group interactions, as well as contemporary and historical impacts on language, culture, family, and community values.

2(e) The teacher knows how to access reliable information about the values of diverse cultures and communities and how to incorporate learners’ experiences, cultures, and community resources into instruction.

**Performance**

2(f) The teacher designs, adapts, and delivers instruction to address each student’s diverse learning strengths and needs and creates opportunities for students to demonstrate their learning in different ways.

2(g) The teacher makes appropriate and timely provisions (e.g., pacing for individual rates of growth, task demands, communication, assessment, response modes) for individual students with particular learning differences or needs.

2(h) The teacher designs instruction to build on learners’ prior knowledge and experiences, allowing learners to accelerate as they demonstrate their understandings.

2(i) The teacher brings multiple perspectives to the discussion of content, including attention to learners’ personal, family, and community experiences and cultural norms.

2(j) The teacher incorporates tools of language development into planning and instruction, including strategies for making content accessible to English language learners and for evaluating and supporting their development of English proficiency.

2(k) The teacher accesses resources, supports, and specialized assistance and services to meet particular learning differences or needs.
Disposition

2(l) The teacher believes that all learners can achieve at high levels and persists in helping each learner reach his/her full potential.

2(m) The teacher respects learners as individuals with differing personal and family backgrounds and various skills, abilities, perspectives, talents, and interests.

2(n) The teacher makes learners feel valued and helps them learn to value each other.

2(o) The teacher values diverse languages and dialects and seeks to integrate them into his/her instructional practice to engage students in learning.

2(p) The teacher values the cultural resources (language, history, indigenous knowledge) of American Indian students and their communities.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Knowledge

3(a) The teacher understands the relationship between motivation and engagement and knows how to design learning experiences using strategies that build learner self-direction and ownership of learning (e.g., principles of universal design for learning and culturally responsive pedagogy).

3(b) The teacher knows how to create respectful learning communities where learners work collaboratively to achieve learning goals.

3(c) The teacher knows how to collaborate with learners to establish and monitor elements of safe and productive learning environments including norms, expectations, routines, organizational structures, and multiple levels of behavioral interventions.

3(d) The teacher understands how learner diversity can affect communication and knows how to communicate effectively in differing environments, including virtual spaces.

3(e) The teacher knows how to use technologies and how to guide learners to apply them in appropriate, safe, and effective ways.

Performance

3(f) The teacher collaborates with learners, families, and colleagues to build a safe, positive learning climate of openness, mutual respect, support, and inquiry.

3(g) The teacher develops learning experiences that engage learners in collaborative and self-directed learning and that extend learner interaction with diverse local and global ideas.

3(h) The teacher collaborates with learners and colleagues to develop shared values and expectations for respectful interactions, rigorous academic discussions, and individual and group responsibility for quality work.
3(i) The teacher manages the learning environment to actively and equitably engage learners by organizing, allocating, and coordinating the resources of time, space, and learners’ attention.

3(j) The teacher uses a variety of methods to engage learners in evaluating the learning environment, collaborating with them to make appropriate adjustments, and employing multiple levels of behavioral interventions.

3(k) The teacher communicates verbally and nonverbally in ways that demonstrate respect for and responsiveness to the cultural backgrounds and differing perspectives learners bring to the learning environment.

3(l) The teacher promotes responsible learner use of interactive technologies to extend the possibilities for learning locally and globally.

3(m) The teacher intentionally builds learner capacity to collaborate in face-to-face and virtual environments through applying effective interpersonal communication skills.

**Disposition**

3(n) The teacher is committed to working with learners, colleagues, families, and communities to establish positive and supportive learning environments.

3(o) The teacher values the role of learners in promoting each other’s learning and recognizes the importance of peer relationships in establishing a climate of learning.

3(p) The teacher is committed to supporting learners as they participate in decision making, engage in exploration and invention, work collaboratively and independently, and engage in purposeful learning.

3(q) The teacher seeks to foster respectful communication and develop rapport among all members of the learning community.

3(r) The teacher is a thoughtful and responsive listener and observer.

**CONTENT**

Teachers must have a deep and flexible understanding of their content areas and be able to draw upon content knowledge as they work with learners to access information, apply knowledge in real world settings, and address meaningful issues to assure learner mastery of the content. Today’s teachers make content knowledge accessible to learners by using multiple means of communication, including digital media and information technology. They integrate cross-disciplinary skills (e.g., critical thinking, problem solving, creativity, communication) to help learners use content to propose solutions, forge new understandings, solve problems, and imagine possibilities. Finally, teachers make content knowledge relevant to learners by connecting it to local, state, national, and global issues.
Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands major concepts, assumptions, debates, processes of inquiry, and ways of knowing that are central to the discipline(s) he/she teaches.

4(b) The teacher understands common misconceptions in learning the discipline and how to guide learners to accurate conceptual understanding.

4(c) The teacher knows and uses the academic language of the discipline and knows how to make it accessible to learners.

4(d) The teacher knows how to integrate culturally relevant content to build on learners’ background knowledge.

4(e) The teacher has a deep knowledge of student content standards and learning progressions in the discipline(s) he/she teaches.

Performance

4(f) The teacher effectively uses multiple representations and explanations that capture key ideas in the discipline, guide learners through learning progressions, and promote each learner’s achievement of content standards.

4(g) The teacher engages students in learning experiences in the discipline(s) that encourage learners to understand, question, and analyze ideas from diverse perspectives so that they master the content.

4(h) The teacher engages learners in applying methods of inquiry and standards of evidence used in the discipline.

4(i) The teacher stimulates learner reflection on prior content knowledge, links new concepts to familiar concepts, and makes connections to learners’ experiences.

4(j) The teacher recognizes learner misconceptions in a discipline that interfere with learning, and creates experiences to build accurate conceptual understanding.

4(k) The teacher evaluates and modifies instructional resources and curriculum materials for their comprehensiveness, accuracy for representing particular concepts in the discipline, and appropriateness for his/her learners.

4(l) The teacher uses supplementary resources and technologies effectively to ensure accessibility and relevance for all learners.

4(m) The teacher creates opportunities for students to learn, practice, and master academic language in their content.

4(n) The teacher accesses school and/or district-based resources to evaluate the learner’s content knowledge in their primary language.
Disposition

4(o) The teacher realizes that content knowledge is not a fixed body of facts but is complex, culturally situated, and ever evolving. He/she keeps abreast of new ideas and understandings in the field.

4(p) The teacher appreciates multiple perspectives within the discipline and facilitates learners’ critical analysis of these perspectives.

4(q) The teacher recognizes the potential of bias in his/her representation of the discipline and seeks to appropriately address problems of bias.

4(r) The teacher is committed to work toward each learner’s mastery of disciplinary content and skills.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The teacher understands the ways of knowing in his/her discipline, how it relates to other disciplinary approaches, and the strengths and limitations of each approach in addressing problems, issues, and concerns.

5(b) The teacher understands how current interdisciplinary themes (e.g., civic literacy, health literacy, global mindedness) connect to the core subjects and knows how to weave those themes into meaningful learning experiences.

5(c) The teacher understands the demands of accessing and managing information as well as how to evaluate issues of ethics and quality related to information and its use.

5(d) The teacher understands how to use digital and interactive technologies for efficiently and effectively achieving specific learning goals.

5(e) The teacher understands critical thinking processes and knows how to help learners develop high level questioning skills to promote their independent learning.

5(f) The teacher understands multiple forms of communication as vehicles for learning across disciplines and for expressing learning.

5(g) The teacher understands creative thinking processes and how to engage learners in producing original work.

5(h) The teacher knows where and how to access resources to build global mindedness and multiple perspectives and how to integrate them into the curriculum.
Performance

5(i) The teacher develops and implements projects that guide learners in analyzing the complexities of an issue or question using perspectives from varied disciplines and cross-disciplinary skills (e.g., a water quality study that draws upon biology and chemistry to look at factual information and social studies to examine policy implications).

5(j) The teacher engages learners in applying content knowledge to real world problems through the lens of interdisciplinary themes (e.g., financial literacy, environmental literacy).

5(k) The teacher facilitates learners’ use of current tools and resources to maximize content learning in varied contexts.

5(l) The teacher develops learners’ communication skills in disciplinary and interdisciplinary contexts by creating meaningful opportunities to employ a variety of forms of communication that address varied cultures, audiences and purposes.

5(m) The teacher engages learners in challenging assumptions, generating and evaluating new ideas and novel approaches, seeking inventive solutions to problems, and developing original work.

5(n) The teacher facilitates learners’ ability to develop diverse social and cultural perspectives that expand their understanding of local and global issues and create novel approaches to solving problems.

5(o) The teacher develops and implements supports for learner literacy development across content areas.

Disposition

5(p) The teacher is constantly exploring how to use disciplinary knowledge as a lens to address local and global issues.

5(q) The teacher values knowledge outside his/her own content area and how such knowledge enhances student learning.

5(r) The teacher values flexible learning environments that encourage learner exploration, discovery, and expression across content areas.

INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICE

Effective instructional practice requires that teachers understand and integrate assessment, planning, and instructional strategies in coordinated and engaging ways. Beginning with their end or goal, teachers first identify student learning objectives and content standards and align assessments to those objectives. Teachers understand how to design, implement and interpret results from a range of formative and summative assessments. This knowledge is integrated into instructional practice so that teachers have access to information that can be used to provide immediate feedback to reinforce student learning and to modify instruction. Planning focuses on using a variety of appropriate and targeted instructional strategies to address diverse ways of
learning, to incorporate new technologies to maximize and individualize learning, and to allow learners to take charge of their own learning and do it in creative ways.

**Standard 6: Assessment.** *The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision making.*

**Knowledge**

6(a) The teacher understands the differences between formative and summative applications of assessment and knows how and when to use each.

6(b) The teacher understands the range of types and multiple purposes of assessment and how to design, adapt, or select appropriate assessments to address specific learning goals and individual differences, and to minimize sources of bias.

6(c) The teacher knows how to analyze assessment data to understand patterns and gaps in learning, to guide planning and instruction, and to provide meaningful feedback to all learners.

6(d) The teacher knows when and how to engage learners in analyzing their own assessment results and in helping to set goals for their own learning.

6(e) The teacher understands the positive impact of effective descriptive feedback for learners and knows a variety of strategies for communicating this feedback.

6(f) The teacher knows when and how to evaluate and report learner progress against standards.

6(g) The teacher understands how to prepare learners for assessments and how to make accommodations in assessments and testing conditions, especially for learners with disabilities and language learning needs.

6(h) The teacher understands the ethical responsibilities in selection, administration, and evaluation of student assessment and handling of student assessment data.

**Performance**

6(i) The teacher balances the use of an effective range of formative and summative assessment strategies to support, verify, and document learning.

6(j) The teacher designs assessments that match learning objectives with assessment methods and minimizes sources of bias that can distort assessment results.

6(k) The teacher works independently and collaboratively to examine test and other performance data to understand each learner’s progress and to guide planning.

6(l) The teacher engages learners in understanding and identifying quality work and provides them with effective descriptive feedback to guide their progress toward that work.

6(m) The teacher engages learners in multiple ways of demonstrating knowledge and skill as part of the assessment process.
6(n) The teacher models and structures processes that guide learners in examining their own thinking and learning as well as the performance of others.

6(o) The teacher effectively uses multiple and appropriate types of assessment data to identify each student’s learning needs and to develop differentiated learning experiences.

6(p) The teacher prepares all learners for the demands of particular assessment formats and makes appropriate accommodations in assessments or testing conditions, especially for learners with disabilities and language learning needs.

6(q) The teacher continually seeks appropriate ways to employ technology to support assessment practice both to engage learners more fully and to assess and address learner needs.

Disposition

6(r) The teacher is committed to engaging learners actively in assessment processes and to developing each learner’s capacity to review and communicate about their own progress and learning.

6(s) The teacher takes responsibility for aligning instruction and assessment with learning goals.

6(t) The teacher is committed to providing timely and effective descriptive feedback to learners on their progress.

6(u) The teacher is committed to using multiple types of assessment processes to support, verify, and document learning.

6(v) The teacher is committed to making accommodations in assessments and testing conditions, especially for learners with disabilities and language learning needs.

6(w) The teacher is committed to the ethical use of various assessments and assessment data to identify learner strengths and needs to promote learner growth.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher understands content and content standards and how these are organized in the curriculum.

7(b) The teacher understands how integrating cross-disciplinary skills in instruction engages learners purposefully in applying content knowledge.

7(c) The teacher understands learning theory, human development, cultural diversity, and individual differences and how these impact ongoing planning.
7(d) The teacher understands the strengths and needs of individual learners and how to plan instruction that is responsive to these strengths and needs.

7(e) The teacher knows a range of evidence-based instructional strategies, resources, and technological tools and how to use them effectively to plan instruction that meets diverse learning needs.

7(f) The teacher knows when and how to adjust plans based on assessment information and learner responses.

7(g) The teacher knows when and how to access resources and collaborate with others to support student learning (e.g., special educators, related service providers, language learner specialists, librarians, media specialists, professional organizations, community organizations, community members).

**Performance**

7(h) The teacher individually and collaboratively selects and creates learning experiences that are appropriate for curriculum goals and content standards, and are relevant to learners.

7(i) The teacher plans how to achieve each student’s learning goals, choosing appropriate strategies and accommodations, resources, and materials to differentiate instruction for individuals and groups of learners.

7(j) The teacher develops appropriate sequencing of learning experiences and provides multiple ways to demonstrate knowledge and skill.

7(k) The teacher plans for instruction based on formative and summative assessment data, prior learner knowledge, and learner interest.

7(l) The teacher plans collaboratively with professionals who have specialized expertise (e.g., special educators, related service providers, language learning specialists, librarians, media specialists) to design and jointly deliver as appropriate learning experiences to meet unique learning needs.

7(m) The teacher evaluates plans in relation to short- and long-range goals and systematically adjusts plans to meet each student’s learning needs and enhance learning.

**Disposition**

7(n) The teacher respects learners’ diverse strengths and needs and is committed to using this information to plan effective instruction.

7(o) The teacher values planning as a collegial activity that takes into consideration the input of learners, colleagues, families, and the larger community.

7(p) The teacher is committed to using short- and long-term planning as a means of assuring student learning.

7(q) The teacher is committed to reflecting on the effectiveness of lessons and seeks to revise plans to meet changing learner needs and circumstances.
Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher understands the cognitive processes associated with various types of learning (e.g., critical and creative thinking, problem framing and problem solving, invention, memorization and recall) and how these processes can be stimulated.

8(b) The teacher knows how to apply an effective range of developmentally, culturally, and linguistically responsive instructional strategies to achieve learning goals.

8(c) The teacher knows when and how to use effective strategies to differentiate instruction and engage all learners in complex thinking and meaningful tasks.

8(d) The teacher understands how multiple forms of communication (oral, written, nonverbal, digital, visual) convey ideas, foster self-expression, and build connections.

8(e) The teacher knows how to use a wide variety of resources, including human and technological, to engage students in learning.

8(f) The teacher understands how content and skill development can be supported by media and technology and knows how to evaluate these resources for quality, accuracy, and effectiveness.

Performance

8(g) The teacher uses appropriate strategies and resources to adjust instruction to meet the needs of individuals and groups of learners.

8(h) The teacher continuously monitors student learning, engages learners in assessing their progress, and adjusts instruction in response to student learning needs.

8(i) The teacher collaborates with learners to design and implement relevant learning experiences, identify their strengths, and/or access family and community resources to develop their areas of interest.

8(j) The teacher varies his/her role in the instructional process (e.g., instructor, facilitator, coach, audience) in relation to the content and purposes of instruction and the needs of learners.

8(k) The teacher provides multiple models and representations of concepts and skills with opportunities for learners to demonstrate their knowledge through a variety of products and performances.

8(l) The teacher engages all learners in developing higher order questioning skills and metacognitive processes.

8(m) The teacher engages learners in using a range of learning skills and technology tools to access, interpret, evaluate, and apply information.
8(n) The teacher uses a variety of instructional strategies to support and expand learners’ communication through speaking, listening, reading, writing, and other methods of communication.

8(o) The teacher asks questions to stimulate discussions that serve different purposes.

Disposition

8(p) The teacher is committed to deepening awareness and understanding of the strengths and needs of diverse learners when designing flexible instruction.

8(q) The teacher values the variety of ways people communicate and encourages learners to develop and use multiple forms of communication.

8(r) The teacher is committed to exploring how the use of new and emerging technologies can support and promote student learning.

8(s) The teacher values flexibility and reciprocity in the teaching process as necessary for adjusting instruction to learner responses, ideas, and needs.

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Creating and supporting safe, productive learning environments that result in learners achieving at the highest levels is a teacher’s primary responsibility. To do this well, teachers must engage in meaningful and intensive professional learning and self-renewal by regularly examining practice through ongoing study, self-reflection, and collaboration. A cycle of continuous self-improvement is enhanced by leadership, collegial support, and collaboration. Active engagement in professional learning and collaboration results in the discovery and implementation of better practice for the purpose of improved teaching and learning. Teachers also contribute to improving instructional practices that meet learners’ needs and accomplish their school’s mission and goals. Teachers benefit from and participate in collaboration with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members. Teachers demonstrate leadership by modeling ethical behavior, contributing to positive changes in practice, and advancing their profession.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Knowledge

9(a) The teacher understands and knows how to use a variety of self-assessment and problem-solving strategies to analyze and reflect on his/her practice and to plan for adaptations/adjustments.

9(b) The teacher knows how to use learner data to analyze practice and differentiate instruction accordingly.
9(c) The teacher understands how personal identity, worldview, and prior experience affect perceptions and expectations, and recognizes how they may bias behaviors and interactions with others.

9(d) The teacher understands laws and responsibilities related to the learner (e.g., educational equity, appropriate education for learners with disabilities, confidentiality, privacy, appropriate treatment of learners, reporting in situations related to possible child abuse).

9(e) The teacher understands professional responsibilities (e.g., responsibilities to the profession, for professional competence, to students, to the school community, and regarding the ethical use of technology).

9(f) The teacher understands the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators and its place in supporting the integrity of the profession.

9(g) The teacher knows about the unique status of American Indian tribes, tribal sovereignty, and has knowledge of tribal communities.*

**Performance**

9(h) The teacher engages in ongoing learning opportunities to develop knowledge and skills in order to provide all learners with engaging curriculum and learning experiences based on local and state standards.

9(i) The teacher engages in meaningful and appropriate professional learning experiences aligned with his/her own needs and the needs of the learners, school, and system.

9(j) Independently and in collaboration with colleagues, the teacher uses a variety of data (e.g., systematic observation, information about learners, research) to evaluate the outcomes of teaching and learning and to adapt planning and practice.

9(k) The teacher actively seeks professional, community, and technological resources, within and outside the school, as supports for analysis, reflection, and problem-solving.

9(l) The teacher identifies and reflects on his/her own beliefs and biases and utilizes resources to broaden and deepen his/her own understanding of cultural, ethnic, gender, and learning differences to develop reciprocal relationships and create more relevant learning experiences.

9(m) The teacher advocates, models, and teaches safe, legal, and ethical use of information and technology including appropriate documentation of sources and respect for others in the use of social media.

9(n) The teacher builds and implements an Individualized Professional Learning Plan (IPLP) directly aligned with his/her needs as a growing professional using feedback from teacher evaluations and observations, data on learner performance, and school- and system-wide priorities.
9(o) The teacher engages in respectful inquiry of diverse historical contexts and ways of knowing, and leverages that knowledge to cultivate culturally responsive relationships with learners, families, other professionals, and the community.

Disposition

9(p) The teacher takes responsibility for student learning and uses ongoing analysis and reflection to improve planning and practice.

9(q) The teacher is committed to culturally responsive teaching.

9(r) The teacher sees him/herself as a learner, continuously seeking opportunities to draw upon current education policy and research as sources of analysis and reflection to improve practice.

9(s) The teacher understands the expectations of the profession including codes of ethics, professional standards of practice, and relevant law and policy.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Knowledge

10(a) The teacher understands schools as organizations within a historical, cultural, political, and social context and knows how to work with others across the system to support learners.

10(b) The teacher understands that alignment of family, school, and community spheres of influence enhances student learning and that discontinuity in these spheres of influence interferes with learning.

10(c) The teacher knows how to work with other adults and has developed skills in collaborative interaction appropriate for both face-to-face and virtual contexts.

10(d) The teacher knows how to contribute to a common culture that supports high expectations for student learning.

10(e) The teacher understands the value of leadership roles at the school, district, state, and/or national level and advocacy for learners, the school, the community, and the profession.

Performance

10(f) The teacher takes an active role on the instructional team, giving and receiving feedback on practice, examining learner work, analyzing data from multiple sources, and sharing responsibility for decision making and accountability for each student’s learning.

10(g) The teacher works with other school professionals to plan learning experiences that meet the diverse needs of learners.
10(h) The teacher engages collaboratively in the school wide efforts to build a shared vision and supportive culture.

10(i) The teacher works collaboratively with learners and their families to establish mutual expectations and ongoing communication to support learner development and achievement.

10(j) Working with school colleagues, the teacher builds ongoing connections with community resources to enhance student learning and wellbeing.

10(k) The teacher engages in professional learning, contributes to the knowledge and skill of others, and works collaboratively to advance professional practice.

10(l) The teacher uses technology and other forms of communication to develop collaborative relationships with learners, families, colleagues, and the local community.

10(m) The teacher uses and generates meaningful inquiry into education issues and policies.

10(n) The teacher advocates to meet the needs of learners, to strengthen the learning environment, and to enact change.

Disposition

10(o) The teacher actively shares responsibility for shaping and supporting the mission of his/her school as one of advocacy for learners and accountability for their success.

10(p) The teacher is committed to working collaboratively with learners and families in setting and meeting challenging goals, while respecting families’ beliefs, norms, and expectations.

10(q) The teacher takes initiative to grow and develop with colleagues through interactions that enhance practice and support student learning.

10(r) The teacher takes responsibility for contributing to and advancing the profession.

10(s) The teacher embraces the challenge of continuous improvement and change.
GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Culturally Responsive Pedagogy** – Pedagogy that recognizes the importance of including student’s cultural references in all aspects of learning. (Ladson-Billings)

**Global Mindedness** – Exploring new ideas and perspectives, as well as having the humility to learn and willingness to work with people around the globe

**Learning Environments** – The diverse physical and virtual locations, contexts, and cultures in which students learn.

**Principles of Universal Design** – A set of principles for curriculum development that give all individuals equal opportunities to learn. (udlcenter.org)

**Socio-Historical Context** – The social and historic factors which shape learning and learning trajectories over time.

*The federal and state governments of Idaho recognize the Idaho’s tribes’ inherent sovereignty. This tribal sovereignty distinguishes Indigenous peoples as peoples, rather than populations or national minorities.*
STATE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

IDAHO COMPREHENSIVE LITERACY STANDARDS

All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Core Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

The standards have been grouped into four general categories and represent the inter-relationship between written and oral language, which are key skills for student learning and success. These standards outline the four competencies of effective reading, writing, and communication instruction necessary to meet the Idaho Comprehensive Literacy requirements.

- As needed, adapt instructional materials and approaches to meet the language-proficiency needs of English learners and students who struggle to learn to read and write.

Standard I: Foundational Literacy Concepts. The teacher demonstrates knowledge of the following foundational concepts, including but not limited to: emergent literacy, concepts of print, phonological awareness, alphabetic principle, phonics, word recognition, fluency, linguistic development, English language acquisition, and home-to-school literacy partnerships. In addition, the candidate demonstrates the ability to apply concepts using research-based best practices in lesson planning and literacy instruction. (Applies to the following endorsements: All Subjects K-8, Blended Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education Birth through Grade 3 and Pre-K through Grade 6, Deaf/Hard of Hearing K-12, Early Childhood Special Education Pre-K-3, Exceptional Child Generalist K-8, 6-12, and K-12, and Visual Impairment K-12)

Knowledge

1(a) The teacher understands the importance of developing oral language, phonological awareness, phonemic awareness, and print concepts.
1(b) The teacher understands the components of decoding written language, including grade-level phonics and word analysis skills, and their impact on comprehension.

1(c) The teacher understands the development of fluency (prosody, rate, and accuracy) and its impact on beginning reading comprehension.

Performance

1(d) The teacher plans instruction that includes foundational literacy skills found in the Idaho Content Standards.

1(e) The teacher plans instruction to support literacy progression, from emergent to proficient readers, which includes decoding and comprehension skills.

1(f) The teacher selects and modifies reading instructional strategies and routines to strengthen fluency.

Standard II: Fluency, Vocabulary Development and Comprehension. The teacher demonstrates knowledge of fluency, vocabulary development, and reading comprehension strategies. The teacher demonstrates the ability to apply these components by using research-based best practices in all aspects of literacy and/or content area instruction. This includes the ability to: analyze the complexity of text structures; utilize a variety of narrative and informational texts from both print and digital sources; and make instruction accessible to all, including English Language Learners. (Applies to all endorsements that can be added to a Standard Instructional Certificate)

Knowledge

2(a) The teacher knows the characteristics of the various genres and formats of children's and adolescent literature.

2(b) The teacher recognizes the importance of using a variety of texts and formats to enhance students’ understanding of topics, issues, and content.

2(c) The teacher understands text complexity and structures and the importance of matching texts to readers.

2(d) The teacher understands how to use instructional strategies to promote critical thinking and deeper comprehension across all genres and text formats.

2(e) The teacher understands how to use instructional strategies to promote vocabulary development for all students, including English language learners.

2(f) The teacher understands how a student’s reading proficiency, both oral and silent, affects comprehension.

Performance

2(g) The teacher identifies a variety of high-quality literature and texts within relevant content areas.

2(h) The teacher can develop lesson plans that incorporate a variety of texts and resources to enhance students’ understanding of topics, issues, and content.
2(i) The teacher can analyze texts to determine complexity in order to support a range of readers.

2(j) The teacher selects and utilizes instructional strategies to promote critical thinking and deeper comprehension across all genres and text formats.

2(k) The teacher selects and utilizes instructional strategies to promote vocabulary development for all students, including English language learners.

2(l) The teacher uses oral and silent reading practices selectively to positively impact comprehension.

**Standard III: Literacy Assessment Concepts.** The teacher understands, interprets, and applies informal and formal literacy assessment concepts, strategies, and measures. The teacher uses assessment data to inform and design differentiated literacy instruction. In addition, the teacher demonstrates the ability to use appropriate terminology in communicating pertinent assessment data to a variety of stakeholders. (Applies to the following endorsements: All Subjects K-8, Blended Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education Birth through Grade 3 and Pre-K through Grade 6, Deaf/Hard of Hearing K-12, Early Childhood Special Education Pre-K-3, and Exceptional Child Generalist K-8, 6-12, and K-12, and Visual Impairment K-12)

**Knowledge**

3(a) The teacher understands terms related to literacy assessment, analysis, and statistical measures.

3(b) The teacher understands types of formal, informal, formative, summative, and diagnostic literacy assessments, their uses, appropriate administration, and interpretation of results across a range of grade levels.

3(c) The teacher understands how to choose appropriate literacy assessments to determine the needs of the learner.

3(d) The teacher understands how to use literacy assessment results to inform and guide intervention processes.

3(e) The teacher knows how to measure and determine students’ independent, instructional, and frustration reading levels.

3(f) The teacher understands Idaho state-specific literacy assessments and related proficiency levels.

**Performance**

3(g) The teacher appropriately selects, administers, and interprets results of a variety of formal, informal, formative, summative, and diagnostic literacy assessments.

3(h) The teacher utilizes literacy assessment results to inform and guide intervention processes.

3(i) The teacher can measure and determine students’ independent, instructional, and frustration reading levels.
3(j) The teacher utilizes Idaho state-specific literacy assessments and related proficiency levels to inform planning and instruction.

**Standard IV: Writing Process.** The teacher incorporates writing in his/her instructional content area(s). The teacher understands, models, and instructs the writing process, including but not limited to: pre-writing, drafting, revising, editing, and publishing. The teacher structures frequent, authentic writing opportunities that encompass a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences. The teacher incorporates ethical research practices using multiple resources. The teacher fosters written, visual, and oral communication in a variety of formats. (Applies to all endorsements that can be added to a Standard Instructional Certificate)

**Knowledge**

4(a) The teacher understands writing as a complex communicative process that includes cognitive, social, physical, and developmental components.

4(b) The teacher understands the purpose and function of each stage of the writing process, including the importance of extensive pre-writing.

4(c) The teacher has an understanding of the role and range that audience, purpose, formats, features, and genres play in the development of written expression within and across all content areas.

4(d) The teacher understands how to conduct writing workshops and individual writing conferences to support student growth related to specific content areas.

4(e) The teacher understands how to assess content-area writing, including but not limited to writing types, the role of quality rubrics, processes, conventions, and components of effective writing.

4(f) The teacher understands the reciprocal relationship between reading, writing, speaking, and listening to support a range of writers, including English language learners.

4(g) The teacher understands how to help writers develop competency in a variety of writing types: narrative, argument, and informational/explanatory.

4(h) The teacher understands the impact of motivation and choice on writing production.

**Performance**

4(i) The teacher engages writers in reading, speaking, and listening processes to address cognitive, social, physical, developmental, communicative processes.

4(j) The teacher utilizes the writing process and strategies to support and scaffold effective written expression within and across content areas and a range of writers.

4(k) The teacher structures frequent, authentic writing opportunities that encompass a range of tasks, formats, purposes, audiences, and digital technologies.

4(l) The teacher conducts writing workshops and writing conferences for the purpose of supporting student growth (including peer feedback/response).
4(m) The teacher assesses components of effective writing in the content-areas, including utilizing quality rubrics.

4(n) The teacher scaffolds instruction for a range of student writers.

4(o) The teacher helps writers develop competency in a variety of writing types: narrative, argument, and informational/explanatory.

4(p) The teacher utilizes choice to motivate writing production.
PRE-SERVICE TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS

The 2016 Pre-Service Standards Review was conducted by a team of content area experts from across the state of Idaho. The Idaho Pre-Service Technology Standards were revised in January 2016 to align with the Idaho Core Teacher Standards (2013). All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards, including the Idaho Pre-Service Technology Standards. Each candidate shall also meet the Foundation and Enhancement standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The standards review team endeavored to arrive at standards that were comprehensive, research-based, support reciprocity, and promote unique local, regional, and statewide implementations within sound and responsible attention to its fundamental outcomes. Special attention was paid to the recognition that technology-enriched teaching and learning is a continually and rapidly changing process. It was, therefore, important to determine standards that promote the best preparation of teachers to integrate technologies into instruction that continue to be relevant over time and will best suit any school district in Idaho, regardless of its size, location, or resources. In consideration of these variables as well as careful attention to its correlation to the Idaho Core Teaching Standards, the standards review team recommended that the ISTE (International Society for Technology in Education) Standards for Teachers (2008) be adopted to serve as the Pre-Service Technology Standards.

The Pre-Service Technology Standards indicate teacher candidates have met the standards and competencies. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the competencies identified in the ISTE Standards for Teachers. These competencies reflect the principles of universal design related to technology, while emphasizing flexibility and accessibility.

Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate knowledge, skills, and dispositions in which pre-service teachers design, develop, and evaluate technology-based learning experiences and assessments. In addition, teacher candidates must become fully aware of Idaho’s technology standards for K-12 students.

The alignment matrix found on the next page of this standards document and shows the connections between the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the Pre-Service Technology Standards.
ISTE STANDARDS FOR TEACHERS

Effective teachers model and apply the ISTE Standards for Students (Standards•S) as they design, implement, and assess learning experiences to engage students and improve learning; enrich professional practice; and provide positive models for students, colleagues, and the community. All teachers should meet the following standards and performance indicators.

1. **Facilitate and inspire student learning and creativity** - Teachers use their knowledge of subject matter, teaching and learning, and technology to facilitate experiences that advance student learning, creativity, and innovation in both face-to-face and virtual environments.
   a. Promote, support, and model creative and innovative thinking and inventiveness
   b. Engage students in exploring real-world issues and solving authentic problems using digital tools and resources
   c. Promote student reflection using collaborative tools to reveal and clarify students’ conceptual understanding and thinking, planning, and creative processes
   d. Model collaborative knowledge construction by engaging in learning with students, colleagues, and others in face-to-face and virtual environments

2. **Design and develop digital age learning experiences and assessments** - Teachers design, develop, and evaluate authentic learning experiences and assessments incorporating contemporary tools and resources to maximize content learning in context and to develop the knowledge, skills, and attitudes identified in the Standards•S.
   a. Design or adapt relevant learning experiences that incorporate digital tools and resources to promote student learning and creativity
   b. Develop technology-enriched learning environments that enable all students to pursue their individual curiosities and become active participants in setting their own educational goals, managing their own learning, and assessing their own progress
   c. Customize and personalize learning activities to address students’ diverse learning styles, working strategies, and abilities using digital tools and resources
   d. Provide students with multiple and varied formative and summative assessments aligned with content and technology standards, and use resulting data to inform learning and teaching

3. **Model digital age work and learning** - Teachers exhibit knowledge, skills, and work processes representative of an innovative professional in a global and digital society.
   a. Demonstrate fluency in technology systems and the transfer of current knowledge to new technologies and situations
   b. Collaborate with students, peers, parents, and community members using digital tools and resources to support student success and innovation
   c. Communicate relevant information and ideas effectively to students, parents, and peers using a variety of digital age media and formats
d. Model and facilitate effective use of current and emerging digital tools to locate, analyze, evaluate, and use information resources to support research and learning

4. **Promote and model digital citizenship and responsibility** - Teachers understand local and global societal issues and responsibilities in an evolving digital culture and exhibit legal and ethical behavior in their professional practices.
   
a. Advocate, model, and teach safe, legal, and ethical use of digital information and technology, including respect for copyright, intellectual property, and the appropriate documentation of sources
   
b. Address the diverse needs of all learners by using learner-centered strategies providing equitable access to appropriate digital tools and resources
   
c. Promote and model digital etiquette and responsible social interactions related to the use of technology and information
   
d. Develop and model cultural understanding and global awareness by engaging with colleagues and students of other cultures using digital age communication and collaboration tools

5. **Engage in professional growth and leadership** - Teachers continuously improve their professional practice, model lifelong learning, and exhibit leadership in their school and professional community by promoting and demonstrating the effective use of digital tools and resources.
   
a. Participate in local and global learning communities to explore creative applications of technology to improve student learning
   
b. Exhibit leadership by demonstrating a vision of technology infusion, participating in shared decision making and community building, and developing the leadership and technology skills of others
   
c. Evaluate and reflect on current research and professional practice on a regular basis to make effective use of existing and emerging digital tools and resources in support of student learning
   
d. Contribute to the effectiveness, vitality, and self-renewal of the teaching profession and of their school and community
IDAHO FOUNDATION STANDARDS FOR BILINGUAL EDUCATION AND ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) TEACHERS

In addition to the standards listed here, bilingual education and English as a second language (ESL) teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and one of the following: (1) Idaho Standards for Bilingual Education Teachers or (2) Idaho Standards for English as a Second Language (ESL) Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Bilingual and ESL Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Knowledge

1(a) The teacher understands the processes of language acquisition and the stages of development of linguistically diverse students

1(b) The teacher understands the concepts of bilingualism and biliteracy in regards to language development and how a student’s first language may influence second language development.

Performance

1(c) The teacher plans, integrates, and delivers language and content instruction appropriate to the students’ stages of language development.

1(d) The teacher facilitates students’ use of their first language as a resource to promote academic learning and further development of the second language.

Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.
Knowledge

2(a) The teacher understands differences in culture for planning, integrating, and delivering inclusive learning experiences.

2(b) The teacher understands there are unique considerations and strategies for appropriately identifying culturally and linguistically diverse students with exceptionalities (learning disabilities/giftedness).

2(c) The teacher understands the importance of providing appropriate accommodations that allow students to access academic content based on their current level of language proficiency.

2(d) The teacher understands there are unique considerations for specific language learner groups (e.g. immigrants, refugees, migrant, students with interrupted formal education).

Performance

2(e) The teacher identifies ways to promote respect and advocate for diverse linguistic communities.

2(f) The teacher demonstrates the ability to collaborate with other area specialists to appropriately identify culturally and linguistically diverse students with exceptionalities.

2(g) The teacher demonstrates the ability to provide appropriate accommodations that allow students to access academic content based on their current level of language proficiency.

2(h) The teacher identifies and describes characteristics of major language and cultural groups in Idaho.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Knowledge

3(a) The teacher understands that language is socially constructed and the importance of individual and collaborative learning.

3(b) The teacher understands the importance of creating a safe, culturally responsive learning environment that promotes engagement and motivation.

Performance

3(c) The teacher demonstrates the ability to create a culturally responsive classroom environment.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.
Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands the evolution, research, and current federal and state legal mandates of education for linguistically diverse learners.

4(b) The teacher understands various language instruction educational program models.

4(c) The teacher understands that language is a system (including linguistic and socio-linguistic) and is able to distinguish between forms, functions, and contextual usage of social and academic language.

Performance

4(d) The teacher establishes goals, designs curricula and instruction, and facilitates student learning in a manner that builds on students’ linguistic and cultural diversity.

4(e) The teacher evaluates various language instruction program models and makes possible recommendations for improvement.

4(f) The teacher analyzes language demands for instruction.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The teacher understands that language is a system that uses listening, speaking, reading, and writing for social and academic purposes.

Performance

5(b) 1. The teacher develops active and interactive activities that promote proficiency in the four domains of language.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Knowledge

6(a) The teacher understands variations in assessment of student progress that may be related to cultural and linguistic differences.

6(b) The teacher understands how to measure English language proficiency and is familiar with the state English language proficiency assessment.

6(c) The teacher understands the difference between levels of language proficiency and how it can affect a students’ academic achievement through various assessments.

6(d) The teacher knows how to interpret data and explain the results of standardized assessments to students who are English learners, the students’ families, and to colleagues.
6(e) The teacher understands appropriate accommodations for language learners being tested in the content areas.

6(f) The teacher understands how to use data to make informed decisions about program effectiveness.

Performance

6(g) 1. The teacher demonstrates the ability to use a combination of observation and other assessments to make decisions about appropriate program services for language learners.

6(h) 2. The teacher demonstrates the ability to use a combination of assessments that measure language proficiency and content knowledge respectively to determine how level of language proficiency may affect the demonstration of academic performance.

6(i) 3. The teacher demonstrates the ability to identify and utilize appropriate accommodations for language learners being tested in the content areas.

6(j) 4. The teacher demonstrates the ability to use English language proficiency data (formative, summative, etc.), in conjunction with other student achievement data, to evaluate language instruction program effectiveness.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher understands how to incorporate students’ diverse cultural backgrounds and language proficiency levels into instructional planning that aligns with the English Language Development Standards.

Performance

7(b) 1. The teacher creates and delivers lessons that incorporate students’ diverse cultural backgrounds and language proficiency levels into instructional planning that aligns with the English Language Development Standards.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher understands how to adapt lessons, textbooks, and other instructional materials, to be culturally and linguistically appropriate to facilitate linguistic and academic growth of language learners.

8(b) The teacher understands research and evidence based strategies that promote students’ critical thinking and problem solving at all stages of language development.
Performance

8(c) 1. The teacher selects, adapts, creates and uses various culturally and linguistically appropriate resources related to content areas and second language development.

8(d) 2. The teacher has a repertoire of research and evidence based strategies that promote students’ critical thinking and problem solving at all stages of language development.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Knowledge

9(a) The teacher understands the importance of staying current on research related to language learning.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Knowledge

10(a) The teacher understands the benefits of family and community involvement in students’ linguistic, academic, and social development.

10(b) The teacher understands the necessity of collegiality, collaboration, and leadership to promote opportunities for language learners.

Performance

10(c) 1. The teacher identifies ways in which to create family and community partnerships that promote students’ linguistic, academic, and social development.

10(d) 2. The teacher identifies ways in which to collaborate with colleagues to promote opportunities for language learners.

10(E) 3. The teacher identifies ways in which to assist other educators and students in promoting cultural respect and validation of students’ and families’ diverse backgrounds and experiences.
GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Bilingual Education Program** – An educational approach that uses two languages to promote academic success, bilingualism, biliteracy, and multiculturalism

**Biliteracy** – The ability to read and write in two languages

**English as a Second Language (ESL)** – The teaching/studying of English by nonnative English speakers- ESL is an educational approach in which English language learners are instructed in the use of English as an additional language. ESL refers to an additive language to either bilingual or multilingual speakers of other languages.

**First Language** – A person’s native language and/or language spoken most fluently - also known as: L1, primary language, home language, native language, heritage language

**Second Language** – Any language that one speaks other than one’s first language - also known as L2, target language, additive language
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR BILINGUAL EDUCATION TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). In addition to the standards listed here, bilingual educations teachers must meet Idaho Foundation Standards for Bilingual Education and English as a Second Language (ESL) Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Bilingual Education Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Knowledge

1(a) The bilingual education teacher understands the stages of development for learners of two languages and the impacts on their language and development.

Performance

1(b) 1. The bilingual education teacher uses evidence-based strategies and approaches that promote bilingualism and biliteracy for language development.

Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.
Knowledge

4(a) The bilingual education teacher has communicative competence and academic language proficiency in the first language and in the second language.

4(b) The bilingual education teacher understands the linguistic features of both the first language and the second language.

4(c) The bilingual education teacher has knowledge of the cultures of the first language and the second language.

4(d) The bilingual education teacher understands the methodology of teaching biliteracy.

Performance

4(e) 1. The bilingual education teacher demonstrates proficiency in key linguistic structures and the ability to expose students to the linguistic features of the first and second language, such as various registers, dialects, and idioms.

4(f) 2. The bilingual education teacher demonstrates the ability to address the cultures of the first and the second language in an instructional cycle.

4(g) 3. The bilingual education teacher demonstrates the ability to plan literacy instruction for students in a bilingual program.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Knowledge

6(a) The bilingual education teacher understands how to measure students’ level of proficiency in the first language and in the second language.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.
Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). In addition to the standards listed here, English as a Second Language (ESL) teachers must meet Idaho Foundation Standards for Bilingual Education and English as a Second Language (ESL) Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the English as a Second Language Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The ESL teacher understands linguistic features of the English language.

Performance

4(b) The ESL teacher is able to integrate linguistic features of the English language in lesson planning, delivery, and instruction.
Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Blended Early Childhood/Early Childhood Special Education Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

The characteristics of development and learning of young children are integrally linked and different from those of older children and adults. Thus, programs serving young children should be structured to support those unique developmental and learning characteristics. The early childhood educator will extend, adapt, and apply knowledge gained in the professional education core for the benefit of children from birth through grade three.

**Standard #1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Knowledge**

1(a) The early childhood educator knows that family systems are inextricably tied to child development.

1(b) The early childhood educator understands the typical and atypical development of infants’ and children’s attachments and relationships with primary caregivers.

1(c) The early childhood educator understands how learning occurs and that children’s development influences learning and instructional decisions.

1(d) The early childhood educator understands pre-, peri-, and postnatal development and factors, such as biological and environment conditions that affect children’s development and learning.
1(e) The early childhood educator understands the developmental consequences of toxic (strong, frequent, and/or prolonged) stress, trauma, protective factors and resilience, and the consequences on the child’s mental health.

1(f) The early childhood educator understands the importance of supportive relationships on the child’s learning, emotional, and social development.

1(g) The early childhood educator understands the role of adult-child relationships in learning and development.

Performance

1(h) 1. The early childhood educator identifies pre-, peri-, and postnatal development and factors, such as biological and environment conditions that affect children’s development and learning.

1(i) 2. The early childhood educator collaborates with parents, families, specialists and community agencies to identify and implement strategies to minimize the developmental consequences of toxic (strong, frequent, and/or prolonged) stress and trauma, while increasing protective factors and resilience.

1(j) 3. The early childhood educator establishes and maintains positive interactions and relationships with the child.

Standard #2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Knowledge

2(a) The early childhood educator understands the continuum of medical care for premature development, low birth weight, children who are medically fragile, and children with special health care needs, and knows the concerns and priorities associated with these medical conditions as well as their implications on child development and family resources.

2(b) The early childhood educator understands variations of beliefs, traditions, and values across cultures and the effect of these on the relationships among the child, family, and their environments.

2(c) The early childhood educator knows the characteristics of typical and atypical development and their educational implications and effects on participation in educational and community environments.

2(d) The early childhood educator knows how to access information regarding specific children’s needs and disability-related issues (e.g., medical, support, service delivery).

2(e) The early childhood educator knows about and understands the purpose of assistive technology in facilitating individual children’s learning differences, and to provide access to an inclusive learning environment.
Performance

2(f) The early childhood educator locates, uses, and shares information about the methods for the care of children who are medically fragile and children with special health care needs, including the effects of technology and various medications on the educational, cognitive, physical, social, and emotional behavior of children with disabilities.

2(g) The early childhood educator adapts learning, language, and communication strategies for the developmental age and stage of the child, and as appropriate identifies and uses assistive technology.

Standard #3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Knowledge

3(a) The early childhood educator understands the importance and use of routines as a teaching strategy.

3(b) The early childhood educator knows that physically and psychologically safe and healthy learning environments promote security, trust, attachment, and mastery motivation in children.

3(c) The early childhood educator understands applicable laws, rules, and regulations regarding behavior management planning and plan implementation for children with disabilities.

3(d) The early childhood educator understands principles of guidance (co-regulation, self-monitoring, and emotional regulation), applied behavioral analysis and ethical considerations inherent in behavior management.

3(e) The early childhood educator understands crisis prevention and intervention practices relative to the setting, age, and developmental stage of the child.

3(f) The early childhood educator knows a variety of strategies and environmental designs that facilitate a positive social and behavioral climate.

3(g) The early childhood educator understands that the child’s primary teacher is the parent.

3(h) The early childhood educator understands appropriate use of evidence-based practices that support development at all stages.

Performance

3(i) The early childhood educator promotes opportunities for all children in natural and inclusive settings.

3(j) The early childhood educator embeds learning objectives within everyday routines and activities.
3(k) The early childhood educator creates an accessible learning environment, including the use of assistive technology.

3(l) The early childhood educator provides training and supervision for the classroom paraprofessional, aide, volunteer, and peer tutor.

3(m) The early childhood educator creates an environment that encourages self-advocacy and increased independence.

3(n) The early childhood educator plans and implements intervention consistent with the needs of children.

3(o) The early childhood educator conducts functional behavior assessments and develops positive behavior supports, and creates behavior intervention plans.

3(p) In collaboration with the parent, the early childhood educator applies evidence-based strategies that support development at all stages in home, community, and classroom environments.

**Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.**

**Knowledge**

4(a) The early childhood educator knows how children integrate domains of development (language, cognition, social and emotional, physical, and self-help) as well as traditional content areas of learning (e.g., literacy, mathematics, science, health, safety, nutrition, social studies, art, music, drama, movement).

4(b) The early childhood educator understands theories, history, and models that provide the basis for early childhood education and early childhood special education practices as identified in the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Standards for Early Childhood Professional Preparation Programs and the Council for Exceptional Children/Division of Early Childhood (CEC/DEC) Preparation Standards.

4(c) The early childhood educator understands the process of self-regulation that assists children to identify and cope with emotions.

4(d) The early childhood educator understands speech and language acquisition processes in order to support emergent literacy, including pre-linguistic communication and language development.

4(e) The early childhood educator understands the elements of play and how play assists children in learning.

4(f) The early childhood educator understands nutrition and feeding relationships so children develop essential and healthy eating habits.
4(g) The early childhood educator understands that children are constructing a sense of self, expressing wants and needs, and understanding social interactions that enable them to be involved in friendships, cooperation, and effective conflict resolutions.

4(h) The early childhood educator understands the acquisition of self-help skills that facilitate the child’s growing independence (e.g., toileting, dressing, grooming, hygiene, eating, sleeping).

4(i) The early childhood educator understands the comprehensive nature of children’s wellbeing in order to create opportunities for developing and practicing skills that contribute to healthful living and enhanced quality of life.

4(j) The early childhood educator has deep knowledge of the state-adopted early learning guidelines/standards and developmental indicators.

Performance

4(k) The early childhood educator demonstrates the application of theories and educational models in early childhood education and special education practices.

4(l) The early childhood educator applies developmentally appropriate practices to facilitate growth towards developmental milestones and emerging foundational skills.

4(m) The early childhood educator differentiates practices for the acquisition of skills in English language arts, science, mathematics, social studies, the arts, health, safety, nutrition, and physical education for children from birth through age 2, ages 3-5, and grades K-3.

Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The early childhood educator understands critical developmental processes and knows how to facilitate the growth and development of children birth through age 8.

5(b) The early childhood educator recognizes the role that social and emotional development plays in overall development and learning.

5(c) The early childhood educator knows the multiple factors that contribute to the development of cultural competence in young children birth through age 8.

5(d) The early childhood educator understands how to promote the development of executive functioning in children birth through age 8 (e.g., impulse control, problem solving, exploration).

5(e) The early childhood educator knows the importance of facilitating emergent literacy and numeracy.

5(f) The early childhood educator understands the essential functions of play and the role of play in the holistic growth and development of children birth through age 8.
Performance

5(g) The early childhood educator effectively creates and maintains an environment that facilitates overall growth and development of all children (e.g., routines, materials and equipment, schedules, building relationships, assistive technology).

5(h) The early childhood educator builds positive relationships with children and families and encourages cultural sensitivity among children to foster social and emotional development of all children.

5(i) The early childhood educator utilizes a play-based curriculum to facilitate the holistic development of all children and fosters the emergence of literacy, numeracy, and cognition.

5(j) The early childhood educator effectively utilizes explicit instruction to facilitate the development of executive functioning (e.g., impulse control, problem solving, exploration).

Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Knowledge

6(a) The early childhood educator understands the legal provisions, regulations, guidelines, and ethical concerns regarding assessment of children.

6(b) The early childhood educator knows that developmentally appropriate assessment procedures reflect children’s behavior over time and rely on regular and periodic observations and record keeping of children’s everyday activities and performance.

6(c) The early childhood educator knows the instruments and procedures used to assess children for screening, pre-referral interventions, referral, and eligibility determination for special education services or early intervention services for birth to three years.

6(d) The early childhood educator knows the ethical issues and identification procedures for children with disabilities, including children from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Performance

6(e) The early childhood educator assesses all developmental domains (e.g., social and emotional, fine and gross motor, cognition, communication, self-help).

6(f) The early childhood educator ensures the participation and procedural safeguard rights of the parent/child when determining eligibility, planning, and implementing services.

6(g) The early childhood educator collaborates with families and professionals involved in the assessment process of children.
6(h) The early childhood educator conducts an ecological assessment and uses the information to modify various settings as needed and to integrate the children into those setting.

6(i) The early childhood educator uses a diverse array of assessment strategies to assess children depending on the purpose of assessment (e.g., observation, checklists, norm-referenced).

6(j) The early childhood educator demonstrates culturally or linguistically diverse assessment practices and procedures used to determine eligibility of a student.

Standard #7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The early childhood educator understands theory and research that reflect currently recommended professional practice for engaging with families and children (from birth through age 2, ages 3-5, and grades K-3).

7(b) The early childhood educator has deep knowledge of the state-adopted early learning guidelines/standards and developmental indicators.

Performance

7(c) The early childhood educator designs meaningful child-initiated inquiry and integrated learning opportunities that are scaffolded for the developmental needs of all children.

7(d) The early childhood educator assists families in identifying their resources, priorities, and concerns in relation to their children’s development and provides information about a range of family-oriented services based on identified resources, priorities, and concerns through the use of the Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSP) Individualized Education Programs (IEP).

7(e) The early childhood educator facilitates transitions for children and their families (e.g., hospital, home, Infant/Toddler programs, Head Start, Early Head Start, childcare programs, preschool, primary programs).

7(f) The early childhood educator analyzes activities and tasks and uses procedures for monitoring children’s skill levels and progress.

7(g) The early childhood educator evaluates children’s skill development in relation to developmental norms and state-adopted standards.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.
Knowledge

8(a) The early childhood educator knows the characteristics of physical environments that must vary to support the learning of children from birth through age 2, ages 3-5, and grades K-3 (e.g., schedule, routines, transitions).

8(b) The early childhood educator understands the breadth and application of low and high assistive technology to support instructional assessment, planning, and delivery of instruction.

Performance

8(c) The early childhood educator uses developmentally appropriate methods to help children develop intellectual curiosity, solve problems, and make decisions (e.g., child choice, play, small group projects, open-ended questioning, group discussion, problem solving, cooperative learning, inquiry and reflection experiences).

8(d) The early childhood educator uses evidence-based instructional strategies (e.g., child choice, play, differentiation, direct instruction, scaffolding) that support both child-initiated and adult-directed activities.

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Knowledge

9(a) The early childhood educator understands the NAEYC Standards for Early Childhood Professional Preparation and the CEC/DEC Initial Preparation Standards.

9(b) The early childhood educator understands the code of ethics of the NAEYC, CEC/DEC, and the Idaho Code of Ethics for Professional Educators.

9(c) The early childhood educator understands the responsibilities as outlined in the Pre-Service Technology Standards (e.g., digital citizenship and ethical practice).

Performance

9(d) The early childhood educator practices behavior congruent with the NAEYC Standards for Early Childhood Professional Preparation, CEC/DEC Initial Preparation Standards, and the Idaho Code of Ethics for Professional Educators.

9(e) The early childhood educator practices behavior as outlined in the Pre-Service Technology Standards (e.g., digital citizenship and ethical practice).

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
Knowledge

10(a) The early childhood educator knows about state and national professional organizations (e.g., NAEYC and CEC/DEC.

10(b) The early childhood educator knows family systems theory and its application to the dynamics, roles, and relationships within families and communities.

10(c) The early childhood educator knows community, state, and national resources available for children and their families.

10(d) The early childhood educator understands the role and function of the service coordinator and related service professionals in assisting families of children.

10(e) The early childhood educator knows basic principles of administration, organization, and operation of early childhood programs (e.g., supervision of staff and volunteers, and program evaluation).

10(f) The early childhood educator knows the rights and responsibilities of parents, students, teachers, professionals, and programs as they relate to children with disabilities.

10(g) The early childhood educator understands how to effectively communicate and collaborate with children, parents, colleagues, and the community in a professional and culturally sensitive manner.

Performance

10(h) The early childhood educator demonstrates skills in communicating, consulting and partnering with families and diverse service delivery providers (e.g., home services, childcare programs, school, community) to support the child’s development and learning.

10(i) The early childhood educator identifies and accesses community, state, and national resources for children and families.

10(j) The early childhood educator advocates for children and their families.

10(k) The early childhood educator creates a manageable system to maintain all program and legal records for children.

10(l) The early childhood educator encourages and assists families to become active participants in the educational team, including setting instructional goals for and charting progress of children.

10(m) The early childhood educator demonstrates respect, honesty, caring, and responsibility in order to promote and nurture an environment that fosters these qualities.
IDAHO FOUNDATION STANDARDS FOR CAREER-TECHNICAL TEACHERS

In addition to the standards listed here, career-technical teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and one of the following: (1) Idaho Standards for Agricultural Science and Technology Teachers, (2) Idaho Standards for Business Technology Teachers, (3) Idaho Standards for Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers, (4) Idaho Standards for Marketing Technology Teachers, or (5) Idaho Standards for Technology Education Teachers. Occupationally-certified teachers must meet these foundation standards for career-technical teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in IDAPA (08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the professional-technical teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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**Standard 1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Standard 2: Learning Differences.** The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

**Standard 3: Learning Environments.** The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

**Performance**

3(a) The teacher is able to apply concepts of classroom motivation and management to laboratory and field settings.

**Standard 4: Content Knowledge.** The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.
Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands basic technological principles, processes, terminology, skills, and safety practices of the occupational area.

4(b) The teacher understands industry trends and labor market needs.

4(c) The teacher understands organizational and leadership structures in the workplace.

4(d) The teacher understands the philosophical principles and the practices of career-technical education.

4(e) The teacher understands the importance of intra-curricular student leadership development in career-technical program areas.

Performance

4(f) The teacher demonstrates specific occupational skills necessary for employment.

4(g) The teacher uses current terminology, industry logistics, and procedures for the occupational area.

4(h) The teacher incorporates and promotes leadership skills in state-approved Career-Technical Student Organizations (CTSO).

4(i) The teacher assesses the occupational needs of the community.

4(j) The teacher facilitates experiences designed to develop skills for successful employment.

4(k) The teacher informs students about opportunities to develop employment skills (e.g., work-study programs, internships, volunteer work, employment opportunities).

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision making.

Knowledge

6(a) The teacher knows how to analyze data about a student’s progress, including assessments, to evaluate workplace readiness.

6(b) The teacher understands the importance of conducting a follow-up survey of graduates.

6(c) The teacher understands how to modify the instruction based on student progress, changing industry standards, state-approved program assessments, and/or other relevant assessment data.

6(d) The teacher understands how to assess student learning in applicable laboratory settings.
Performance

6(e) The teacher analyzes data about a student’s progress, including assessments, to evaluate workplace readiness.

6(f) The teacher provides verbal and written assessment feedback on students’ classroom and/or laboratory assignments.

6(g) The teacher modifies instruction based on student progress, changing industry standards, state-approved program assessments, and/or other relevant assessment data.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher understands state-approved career-technical secondary-to-postsecondary standards and competencies, and how these are organized in the curriculum.

7(b) The teacher understands how to embed state-approved career-technical student organization (CTSO) activities in the curriculum.

7(c) The teacher knows how to identify community and industry expectations and access resources.

Performance

7(d) The teacher designs instruction to meet state-approved career-technical secondary-to-postsecondary curricula and industry standards.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher understands how to provide students with realistic occupational and/or work experiences.

8(b) The teacher knows how to utilize education and industry professionals, and research to enhance student understanding of processes, knowledge, and safety.

8(c) The teacher understands integration of student leadership development, community involvement, and personal growth into instructional strategies.

8(d) The teacher understands how academic skills and advanced technology can be integrated into an occupational learning environment.
Performance

8(e) The teacher models ethical workplace practices.

8(f) The teacher discusses state guidelines to aid students in understanding the trends and issues of an occupation.

8(g) The teacher integrates academic skills into each occupational area.

8(h) The teacher uses simulated and/or authentic occupational applications of course content.

8(i) The teacher uses experts from business, industry, and government as appropriate for the content area.

8(j) The teacher discusses innovation and entrepreneurship in the workforce and incorporates them where possible.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Knowledge

9(a) The teacher understands how sustained professionalism reflects on him or her as an educator and as a representative of his or her industry.

9(b) The teacher understands the importance of maintaining current technical skills and seeking continual improvement.

9(c) The teacher understands current state and federal guidelines and regulations related to career-technical education requirements.

Performance

9(d) The teacher evaluates and reflects on his or her own level of professionalism as an educator and as a representative of his or her industry.

9(e) The teacher participates in continual relevant professional development activities through involvement with local, state, and national career and technical organizations.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Knowledge

10(a) The teacher understands the role technical advisory committees play in continuous program improvement.
10(b) The teacher understands the importance of using industry experts to develop and validate occupational skills.

10(c) The teacher understands the importance of professional organizations within the content and occupational areas.

10(d) The teacher understands career-technical education advanced opportunities.

10(e) The teacher understands the local, state, and national opportunities of state-approved career-technical student organizations (CTSO).

**Performance**

10(f) The teacher participates with technical advisory committees for program development and improvement.

10(g) The teacher cooperates with educators in other content areas to develop instructional strategies and to integrate learning.

10(h) The teacher interacts with business, industry, labor, government, and the community to build effective partnerships.

**Standard 11: Safety - The teacher creates and manages classroom/laboratories that are clean, orderly, safe, and accessible to all students.**

**Knowledge**

11(a) The teacher understands how to safely handle and dispose of waste materials.

11(b) The teacher understands how to care for, inventory, and maintain materials and equipment.

11(c) The teacher understands safety contracts and operation procedures.

11(d) The teacher understands legal safety issues related to the program area.

11(e) The teacher understands safety requirements necessary to conduct laboratory and field activities.

11(f) The teacher understands time and organizational skills in laboratory management.

11(g) The teacher is aware of safety regulations at school and work sites.

**Performance**

11(h) The teacher ensures that facilities, materials, and equipment are safe to use.

11(i) The teacher instructs and models safety procedures and documents safety instruction, and updates each according to industry standards.

11(j) The teacher demonstrates effective management skills in the classroom and laboratory environments.

11(k) The teacher models and reinforces effective work and safety habits.
Standard 12: Career Readiness - The teacher prepares students to meet the demands and responsibilities of the workplace.

Knowledge

12(a) The teacher understands workplace employability skills and related issues.
12(b) The teacher understands the issues of balancing work and personal responsibilities.
12(c) The teacher understands how to promote career awareness.

Performance

12(d) The teacher designs instruction that addresses employability skills and related workplace issues.
12(e) The teacher discusses how to balance demands between work and personal responsibilities.
12(f) The teacher provides opportunities for career awareness and exploration.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TEACHERS

In addition to the standards listed here, agricultural science and technology teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and Idaho Foundation Standards for Career-Technical Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the agricultural science and technology teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands biological, physical, and applied sciences relative to practical solutions for the agricultural industry.

4(b) The teacher knows about production agriculture.

4(c) The teacher knows plant and animal science, agricultural business management, and agricultural mechanics, as well as computer and other technology related to these areas.
4(d) The teacher understands and has experience in one or more of the following specialized occupational areas:

- Agricultural production and marketing
- Agricultural equipment and supplies
- Agriculture product processing
- Ornamental horticulture and turf grass management (e.g., floriculture, greenhouse management)
- Agricultural business planning and analysis
- Natural resource management
- Environmental science
- Forestry
- Small animal production and care

4(e) The teacher understands how to advise, oversee and operate a local FFA chapter and how it relates to the Idaho State and National FFA organizations.

4(f) The teacher understands how to organize and implement Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) programs including but not limited to working with parents, students, adults, and employers.

4(g) The teacher is familiar with the administrative duties related to being a secondary agriculture teacher (e.g., extended contract, state reporting procedures, FFA, SAE).

**Performance**

4(h) The teacher applies natural and physical science principles to practical solutions.

4(i) The teacher discusses production agriculture.

4(j) The teacher discusses and demonstrates content and best practices of plant and animal science; agricultural business management; and agricultural mechanics; and integrates computer and other technology related to these areas.

4(k) The teacher advises, oversees and operates a local FFA chapter in relationship to the Idaho State and National FFA organizations.

4(l) The teacher organizes and implements SAE programs including but not limited to working with parents, students, adults and employers.

4(m) The teacher observes administrative duties related to being a secondary agriculture teacher (e.g., extended contract, state reporting procedures, FFA, SAE).

**Standard 5: Application of Content.** The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.
Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Performance

6(a) The teacher can develop and utilize performance-based assessments to evaluate student projects.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher understands the integrated programmatic approach of incorporating classroom and laboratory, FFA, and SAE.

Performance

7(b) The teacher actively incorporates components of FFA and SAE into instruction.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher understands that experiential learning theory is the foundation for classroom/laboratory instruction, SAE, and FFA leadership development.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Knowledge

10(a) The teacher understands the role of industry experts in agricultural education settings for the purpose of formal training.

10(b) The teacher understands the role of adult volunteers in secondary agricultural education and FFA programs.

Standard 11: Safety - The teacher creates and manages classroom/laboratories that are clean, orderly, safe, and accessible to all students.
Standard 12: Career Readiness - The teacher prepares students to meet the demands and responsibilities of the workplace.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY TEACHERS

In addition to the standards listed here, business technology teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and Idaho Foundation Standards for Career-Technical Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

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Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Knowledge

3(a) The teacher understands how classroom environment ties to industry to create a real-world working environment in the classroom/laboratory setting.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher possesses a foundational level of knowledge about a broad range of business and business technology subjects, which support current state-approved standards.
4(b) The teacher understands how to advise, oversee and facilitate a Business Professionals of America (BPA) chapter and how it relates to the Idaho and National BPA organizations.

Performance

4(c) The teacher integrates BPA through intra-curricular approaches in the business program of study.

4(d) The teacher integrates academic concepts into business and business technology content areas.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Standard 11: Safety - The teacher creates and manages classroom/laboratories that are clean, orderly, safe, and accessible to all students.

Standard 12: Career Readiness - The teacher prepares students to meet the demands and responsibilities of the workplace.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES TEACHERS

In addition to the standards listed here, family and consumer sciences teachers must meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and Idaho Foundation Standards for Career-Technical Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the family and consumer sciences teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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**Standard 1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Standard 2: Learning Differences.** The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

**Standard 3: Learning Environments.** The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

**Standard 4: Content Knowledge.** The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

**Knowledge**

4(a) The teacher understands the significance of family and its impact on the well-being of children, adults, and society and the multiple life roles and responsibilities in family, career, and community settings.

4(b) The teacher knows of community agencies and organizations that provide assistance to individuals and families.

4(c) The teacher understands how interpersonal relationships, cultural patterns, and diversity affect individuals, families, community, and the workplace.
4(d) The teacher understands the roles and responsibilities of parenting and factors that affect human growth and development across the life span.

4(e) The teacher understands the social, emotional, intellectual, physical, and moral development across the lifespan.

4(f) The teacher understands the science and practical application involved in planning, selecting, preparing, and serving food according to the principles of sound nutrition, cultural and economic needs of individuals, families, and industry; along with practices to encourage wellness for life.

4(g) The teacher understands the design, selection, and care of textiles and apparel products.

4(h) The teacher understands housing, design, furnishings, technology, and equipment needs for individuals, families, and industry.

4(i) The teacher understands consumer economic issues and behavior for managing individual and family resources to achieve goals at various stages of the life cycle.

4(j) The teacher understands resource conservation and environmental issues in relation to family and community health.

4(k) The teacher understands the nature of the profession and knows of careers related to family and consumer sciences.

4(l) The teacher understands how social media can influence communication and outcomes between individuals, family members, and community connections.

4(m) The teacher understands how to incorporate Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) as intra-curricular learning experiences.

4(n) The teacher maintains an awareness of the nature of the profession and knows of careers related to family and consumer sciences.

Performance

4(o) The teacher integrates Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, FCCLA into family and consumer sciences instruction.

4(p) The teacher validates the significance of family and its impact on the well-being of children, adults, individuals and society and the multiple life roles and responsibilities in family, work career, and community settings.

4(q) The teacher promotes the roles and responsibilities of parenting and factors that affect human growth and development across the life span.

4(r) The teacher incorporates the science and practical application involved in planning, selecting, preparing, and serving food according to the principles of sound nutrition, and cultural and economic needs of individuals, and families, and industry; along with practices to encourage wellness for life.
4(s) The teacher demonstrates the design, selection, and care of textiles and apparel products.

4(t) The teacher demonstrates housing, design, furnishings, technology, and equipment needs for individuals, and families, and industry.

4(u) The teacher integrates consumer economic issues about and behavior for managing individual and family resources to achieve goals at various stages of the life cycle.

4(v) The teacher integrates resource conservation and environmental issues in relation to family and community health.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Knowledge

6(a) The teacher understands formal and informal comprehensive and industry assessment strategies to evaluate and advance student performance and to determine program effectiveness.

Performance

6(b) The teacher uses and interprets formal and informal comprehensive and industry assessment strategies to evaluate and advance student performance and to determine program effectiveness.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher understands how to apply family and consumer sciences national standards and other resources when planning instruction.

7(b) The teacher understands how program alignment across grade levels (6-12) and family and consumer sciences content area maximizes learning.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.
Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Standard 11: Safety - The teacher creates and manages classroom/laboratories that are clean, orderly, safe, and accessible to all students.

Standard 12: Career Readiness - The teacher prepares students to meet the demands and responsibilities of the workplace.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR MARKETING TECHNOLOGY TEACHERS

In addition to the standards listed here, marketing technology teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and Idaho Foundation Standards for Career-Technical Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the marketing technology teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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**Standard 1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Standard 2: Learning Differences.** The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

**Standard 3: Learning Environments.** The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

**Knowledge**

3(a) The teacher understands how classroom environment ties to industry to create a real-world working environment in the classroom/laboratory setting.

**Standard 4: Content Knowledge.** The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

**Knowledge**

4(a) The teacher possesses a foundational level of knowledge about a broad range of marketing and marketing technology subjects, which support current state-approved teacher endorsement standards.

4(b) The teacher understands how to advise, oversee, and facilitate a DECA chapter and how it relates to the Idaho and National DECA organizations.
Performance

4(c) The teacher embeds DECA activities and curriculum through an intra-curricular approach within the marketing program of study.

4(d) The teacher integrates academic concepts into marketing and marketing technology content areas.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Standard 11: Safety - The teacher creates and manages classroom/laboratories that are clean, orderly, safe, and accessible to all students.

Standard 12: Career Readiness - The teacher prepares students to meet the demands and responsibilities of the workplace.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION TEACHERS

In addition to the standards listed here, technology education teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and Idaho Foundation Standards for Career-Technical Teachers.

The following knowledge and performance statements for the technology education teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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**Standard 3: Learning Environments.** The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

**Standard 4: Content Knowledge.** The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

**Knowledge**

4(a) The teacher has a basic understanding of communication technology; manufacturing; power, energy, and transportation; construction; electronics; computer systems; and other relevant emerging technologies.

4(b) The teacher understands the operation and features of computer-aided design and automated manufacturing systems.

4(c) The teacher understands the principles and concepts of engineering design, technology and the associated mathematics and science concepts.

4(d) The teacher knows the classical and contemporary elements, principles, and processes of structural systems.
4(e) The teacher understands industry logistics, technical terminologies and procedures for the technology occupational area.

4(f) The teacher understands the importance of team dynamics and the project management process when working in the technology occupational areas.

Performance

4(g) The teacher demonstrates the skills that support the fields of communication technology; manufacturing; power, energy, and transportation; construction; electronics; computer technology and other relevant emerging technologies.

4(h) The teacher demonstrates how to install, maintain, and troubleshoot computers and peripheral equipment, and other related technology applications.

4(i) The teacher demonstrates architectural and mechanical drafting skills.

4(j) The teacher demonstrates the various phases of an engineering design process.

4(k) The teacher creates opportunities for students to work collaboratively in teams and practice the project management processes related to the technology occupational areas.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Standard 11: Safety - The teacher creates and manages classroom/laboratories that are clean, orderly, safe, and accessible to all students.
Standard 12: Career Readiness - The teacher prepares students to meet the demands and responsibilities of the workplace.
IDAHO FOUNDATION STANDARDS FOR COMMUNICATION ARTS TEACHERS

In addition to the standards listed here, communication arts teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and one of the following: (1) Idaho Standards for Journalism Teachers or (2) Idaho Standards for Speech and Debate Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Communication Arts Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assured attainment of the standards.

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Standard #1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard #2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard #3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands how values and ethics affect communication.

4(b) The teacher understands the importance of audience analysis and adaptation in differing communication contexts.

4(c) The teacher knows the components and processes of communication.

4(d) The teacher understands the interactive roles of perceptions and meaning.
4(e) The teacher understands how symbolism and language affect communication.

4(f) The teacher understands the role of organization in presenting concepts, ideas, and arguments.

4(g) The teacher knows methods and steps of problem solving in communication arts.

4(h) The teacher understands the impact of outside social structures and institutions—including historical, political, social, economic, and cultural perspectives—on communication processes and messages.

Performance

4(i) The teacher emphasizes to students the importance of values and ethics relevant to the communication process in a variety of formats (e.g., speeches, interpersonal interactions, journalistic writing, social media, debate).

4(j) The teacher provides instruction and practice in conducting and applying research.

4(k) The teacher creates lessons that stress the importance of audience analysis and adaptation.

4(l) The teacher presents communication as a process consisting of integral components.

4(m) The teacher explains various methods of organization and their effects on the communication process.

4(n) The teacher delivers instruction that facilitates student analysis and evaluation of message contexts, including historical, political, social, economic, and cultural perspectives.

Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard #7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.
Knowledge

9(a) The teacher understands contemporary legal standards relating to communication and media.

Performance

9(b) The teacher develops learning progressions for students that embed contemporary legal standards relating to communication and media.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR JOURNALISM TEACHERS

In addition to the standards listed here, journalism teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and Idaho Foundation Standards for Communication Arts Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the journalism teacher standard are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assured attainment of the standards.

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Standard #1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard #2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard #3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher comprehends the fundamentals of journalistic style (e.g., news, feature, editorial writing).

4(b) The teacher understands the elements of design and layout.

4(c) The teacher understands the purposes and elements of photojournalism (e.g., composition, processing).

4(d) The teacher understands the purposes, types, and rules of headline and caption writing.
4(e) The teacher possesses knowledge of interviewing skills.

4(f) The teacher knows how to organize and equip a production area.

4(g) The teacher knows how to organize and supervise a student staff (e.g., editors, writers, photographers, business personnel).

4(h) The teacher knows how to adapt journalistic techniques to various media (e.g., radio, television, Internet).

4(i) The teacher understands advertising and finance.

4(j) The teacher knows the fundamentals of editing.

4(k) The teacher understands processes of effective critiquing.

4(l) The teacher understands journalistic and scholastic press law and ethics.

4(m) The teacher understands the role of journalism in democracy.

**Performance**

4(n) The teacher instructs students in the fundamentals of journalistic style across a variety of journalistic platforms.

4(o) The teacher student application of design and layout techniques.

4(p) The teacher integrates the purposes and elements of photojournalism into the production process.

4(q) The teacher instructs students in the purposes, types, and rules of headline and caption writing.

4(r) The teacher provides opportunities for students to practice and use interviewing skills.

4(s) The teacher teaches editing skills and provides opportunities for student practice.

4(t) The teacher provides opportunities for students to critique and evaluate student and professional work.

**Standard #5: Application of Content.** The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

**Standard #6: Assessment.** The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

**Standard #7: Planning for Instruction.** The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.
Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR SPEECH AND DEBATE TEACHERS

In addition to the standards listed here, speech and debate teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and Idaho Foundation Standards for Communication Arts Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the speech and debate teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assured attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Standard #1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard #2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard #3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands the models of interpersonal communication.
4(b) The teacher knows the processes and types of active listening.
4(c) The teacher knows the nature of conflict and conflict resolution strategies in the speech process.
4(d) The teacher knows the dynamics of group communication (e.g., roles, functions, systems, developmental stages, problem solving).
4(e) The teacher understands rhetorical theories and practices.
4(f) The teacher understands types of public speaking (e.g., informative, persuasive, ceremonial).

4(g) The teacher understands the steps of speech preparation, rehearsal, presentation, and constructive feedback.

4(h) The teacher understands the necessity of adapting public speaking styles and skills to various media.

4(i) The teacher understands the principles of competitive debate theory (e.g., categories and styles of debate).

4(j) The teacher knows the theories and practices of argumentation.

4(k) The teacher knows the precepts of logical reasoning (e.g., syllogistic, categorical, disjunctive, fallacies).

4(l) The teacher knows the various types of competitive speaking events (e.g., impromptu, extemporaneous, oratory, debate).

4(m) The teacher knows how to identify and minimize communication anxiety.

**Performance**

4(n) The teacher instructs in the process of effective interpersonal communication (e.g., effective listening, components of verbal and nonverbal communication, conflict resolution).

4(o) The teacher explains the components and dynamics of group communication and provides opportunities for student implementation.

4(p) The teacher provides opportunities for students to prepare, practice, and present various types of speeches.

4(q) The teacher provides instruction integrating digital media and visual displays to enhance presentations.

4(r) The teacher instructs in the theory, principles, and practices of debate (e.g., argumentation, logical reasoning, competitive speaking).

4(s) The teacher provides opportunities for students to participate in debate and speaking events.

4(t) The teacher explains various methods of organization and their effects on the communication process.

4(u) The teacher provides strategies for assessing and minimizing communication anxiety (e.g., personal anxiety assessment, repetition, visualization).

**Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.**
Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard #7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Computer Science Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. These standards were influenced and developed through use of the standards set forward by the International Society for Technology Education (ISTE) and the Computer Science Teachers’ Association (CSTA).

The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

**Standard 1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Knowledge**

1(a) The teacher understands digital citizenship.

**Performance**

1(b) The teacher promotes and models digital citizenship.

**Standard 2: Learning Differences.** The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

**Knowledge**

2(a) The teacher understands the role of language and culture in learning computer science and knows how to modify instruction to make language comprehensible and instruction relevant, accessible, and challenging.

**Standard 3: Learning Environments.** The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.
Knowledge

3(a) The teacher understands how to design environments that promote effective teaching and learning in computer science classrooms and promote digital citizenship.

Performance

3(b) The teacher promotes and models the safe and effective use of computer hardware, software, peripherals, and networks.

3(c) The teacher develops student understanding of privacy, security, safety, and effective communication in digital environments.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands data representation and abstraction.

4(b) The teacher understands how to effectively design, develop, and test algorithms.

4(c) The teacher understands the software development process.

4(d) The teacher understands digital devices, systems, and networks.

4(e) The teacher understands the basic mathematical principles that are the basis of computer science, including algebra, set theory, Boolean logic, coordinating systems, graph theory, matrices, probability, and statistics.

4(f) The teacher understands the role computer science plays and its impact in the modern world.

4(g) The teacher understands the broad array of opportunities computer science knowledge can provide across every field and discipline.

4(h) The teacher understands the many and varied career and education paths that exist in Computer Science.

Performance

4(i) The teacher demonstrates knowledge of and proficiency in data representation and abstraction. The teacher:

• Effectively uses primitive data types.

• Demonstrates an understanding of static and dynamic data structures.

• Effectively uses, manipulates, and explains various external data stores: various types (text, images, sound, etc.), various locations (local, server, cloud), etc.

• Effectively uses modeling and simulation to solve real-world problems

4(j) The teacher effectively designs, develops, and tests algorithms. The teacher:
• Uses a modern, high-level programming language, constructs correctly functioning programs involving simple and structured data types; compound Boolean expressions; and sequential, conditional, and iterative control structures.

• Designs and tests algorithms and programming solutions to problems in different contexts (textual, numeric, graphic, etc.) using advanced data structures.

• Analyzes algorithms by considering complexity, efficiency, aesthetics, and correctness.

• Effectively uses two or more development environments.

• Demonstrates knowledge of varied software development models and project management strategies.

• Demonstrates application of phases of the software development process on a project of moderate complexity from inception to implementation.

4(k) The teacher demonstrates knowledge of digital devices, systems, and networks. The teacher:

• Demonstrates an understanding of data representation at the machine level.

• Demonstrates an understanding of machine level components and related issues of complexity.

• Demonstrates an understanding of operating systems and networking in a structured computing system.

• Demonstrates an understanding of the operation of computer networks and mobile computing devices.

4(l) The teacher demonstrates an understanding of the role computer science plays and its impact in the modern world. The teacher:

• Demonstrates an understanding of the social, ethical, and legal issues and impacts of computing, and the attendant responsibilities of computer scientists and users.

• Analyzes the contributions of computer science to current and future innovations in sciences, humanities, the arts, and commerce.

4(m) The teacher demonstrates an understanding of the basic mathematical principles that are the basis of computer science including algebra, set theory, Boolean logic, coordinating systems, graph theory, matrices, probability, and statistics.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The teacher understands the academic language and conventions of computer science and how to make them accessible to students.
Performance

5(b) The teacher designs activities that require students to effectively describe computing artifacts and communicate results using multiple forms of media.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher understands the planning and teaching of computer science lessons/units using effective and engaging practices and methodologies.

Performance

7(b) The teacher selects a variety of real-world computing problems and project-based methodologies that support active learning.

7(c) The teacher provides opportunities for creative and innovative thinking and problem-solving in computer science.

7(d) The teacher develops student understanding of the use of computer science to solve interdisciplinary problems.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher understands the value of designing and implementing multiple instructional strategies in the teaching of computer science.

Performance

8(b) The teacher demonstrates the use of a variety of collaborative groupings in lesson plans/units, software projects, and assessments.

8(c) The teacher identifies problematic concepts in computer science and constructs appropriate strategies to address them.
Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Performance

9(a) The teacher demonstrates knowledge of evolving social and research issues relating to computer science and computer science education.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Elementary Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

**Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.**

**Knowledge**

1(a) The teacher understands how young children’s and early adolescents’ literacy and language development influence learning and instructional decisions across content areas.

1(b) The teacher understands the cognitive processes of attention, memory, sensory processing, and reasoning and their role in learning.

1(c) The teacher recognizes the role of inquiry and exploration in learning and development.

**Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.**

**Knowledge**

2(a) The teacher understands that there are multiple levels of intervention and recognizes the advantages of beginning with the least intrusive for the student.

2(b) The teacher understands culturally responsive pedagogy and the necessity of utilizing it to create the most inclusive learning environment.
Performance

2(c) The teacher appropriately and effectively collaborates with grade level peers, school intervention teams, parents/guardians, and community partners to meet differentiated needs of all learners.

2(d) The teacher systematically progresses through the multiple levels of intervention, beginning with the least intrusive for the student.

2(e) The teacher actively engages the school environment, families, and community partners to enact culturally responsive pedagogy.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Knowledge

3(a) The teacher understands the importance of teaching and re-teaching developmentally appropriate classroom expectations and procedures.

Performance

3(b) The teacher consistently and effectively models, teaches, and re-teaches developmentally appropriate classroom expectations and procedures.

3(c) The teacher utilizes positive behavioral supports and multiple levels of intervention to support and develop appropriate student behavior.

3(d) The teacher demonstrates understanding of developmentally and age-appropriate digital citizenship and responsibility.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands concepts of language arts/literacy and child development in order to teach reading, writing, speaking/listening, language, viewing, listening, and thinking skills and to help students successfully apply their developing skills to many different situations, materials, and ideas.

4(b) The teacher understands how children learn language, the basic sound structure of language, semantics and syntactics, diagnostic tools, and assessment data to improve student reading and writing abilities.

4(c) The teacher understands the fundamental concepts and the need to integrate STEM (Sciences, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics).

4(d) The teacher understands and articulates the knowledge and practices of contemporary science and interrelates and interprets important concepts, ideas, and applications.
4(e) The teacher understands concepts of mathematics and child development in order to teach number sense and operations, measurement and data analysis, fractions, algebraic reasoning, and proportional reasoning, to help students successfully apply their developing skills through engaging them in the use of the mathematical practices from the Idaho mathematics standards, within many contexts.

4(f) The teacher understands the structure of mathematics and the connections and relationships within learning progressions.

4(g) The teacher knows the major concepts and modes of inquiry for social studies: the integrated study of history, geography, government/civics, economics, social/cultural and other related areas to develop students’ abilities to make informed decisions as global citizens of a culturally diverse, democratic society and interdependent world.

4(h) The teacher understands the relevance and application of the arts, such as dance, music, theater, and visual arts as avenues for communication, inquiry, and insight.

4(i) The teacher understands the comprehensive nature of students’ physical, intellectual, social, and emotional well-being in order to create opportunities for developing and practicing skills that contribute to overall wellness.

4(j) The teacher understands human movement and physical activity as central elements in learning and cognitive development.

Performance

4(k) The teacher models appropriate and accurate use of written and spoken language.

4(l) The teacher utilizes the structure of mathematics and the connections and relationships within the learning progressions in his/her instructional practice to increase student conceptual understanding in conjunction with diagnostic tools and assessment data to improve students’ mathematical ability.

4(m) The teacher utilizes knowledge of how children learn language, the basic sound structure of language, semantics and syntactics, diagnostic tools, and assessment data to improve student reading and writing abilities.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The teacher understands the importance of providing a purpose and context to use the communication skills taught across the curriculum.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.
Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Performance

7(a) The teacher designs instruction that provides opportunities for students to learn through inquiry and exploration.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Performance

8(a) The teacher engages all learners in developing higher order thinking skills.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Knowledge

10(a) The teacher understands the significance of engaging in collaborative data-driven decision making.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR ENGINEERING TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Engineering Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

**Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.**

**Knowledge**

1(a) The teacher understands how to design developmentally appropriate engineering activities and assignments.

**Performance**

1(b) The teacher designs and implements developmentally appropriate engineering activities and assignments.

**Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.**

**Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.**

**Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.**

**Knowledge**

4(a) The teacher understands the principles and concepts of engineering design.
4(b) The teacher understands the role of mathematics in engineering design and analysis.
4(c) The teacher understands the role of natural and physical sciences in engineering design and analysis.
4(d) The teacher understands the ethical issues and practices of the engineering profession.
4(e) The teacher understands the importance of team dynamics and project management in engineering projects.
4(f) The teacher understands how to embed Technology Student Association (TSA) activities through intra-curricular approaches in the engineering program of study.
4(g) The teacher understands the differences in engineering career pathways and opportunities.

Performance
4(h) The teacher applies the principles and concepts of engineering design in the solution of an engineering design problem.
4(i) The teacher can demonstrate the effects engineering has on the society, the environment and the global community.
4(l) The teacher is able to work in a learning community/project team.
4(m) The teacher facilitates students working in teams to solve engineering design problems.
4(n) The teacher facilitates student understanding of engineering career pathways and opportunities.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge
5(a) The teacher knows the symbols, terminology, and notations specific to engineering.
5(b) The teacher recognizes the importance of oral and written communication in the engineering discipline.

Performance
5(c) The teacher supports and expands student skills in speaking, writing, reading, listening, and in using other mediums, consistent with engineering practices.
5(d) The teacher uses the symbols, terminology, and notations specific to engineering.
Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Knowledge

6(a) The teacher knows how to select, construct, and use assessment strategies and instruments appropriate to students to measure engineering learning outcomes.

Performance

6(b) The teacher uses multiple assessment strategies to measure students’ ability to apply an engineering design process to address an engineering design problem.

6(c) The teacher appropriately uses assessment strategies to measure students’ ability to use notation, terminology, and symbols in oral and written communication.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher understands how to incorporate design into instructional practice strategies.

Performance

8(b) The teacher uses a variety of instructional tools and resources for teaching engineering design.

8(c) The teacher develops learning activities that integrate content from science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematic disciplines.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Knowledge

9(a) The teacher is knowledgeable about the different career opportunities for engineering.

9(b) The teacher is familiar with professional engineering organizations and resources available through them.
Performance

9(c) The teacher stays abreast of professional engineering literature, consults colleagues, and seeks other resources to support development as both a learner and a teacher.

9(d) The teacher engages in professional discourse about subject matter knowledge and pedagogy.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Knowledge

10(a) The teacher is aware of community issues and needs for design opportunities.

Performance

10(b) The teacher is able to adapt lessons to address community needs using the engineering design process.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Engineering – The profession in which knowledge of the mathematical and natural sciences gained by study, experience, and practice is applied with judgment to develop ways to utilize economically the materials and forces of nature for the benefit of mankind – Preparation would be a bachelor’s degree

Engineering Design Process – A systematic problem-solving strategy, with criteria and constraints, used to develop many possible solutions to solve or satisfy human needs or wants and to narrow down the possible solutions to one final choice.

Engineering Technology – The part of the technological field that requires the application of scientific and engineering knowledge and methods combined with technical skills in support of engineering activities; it lies in the occupational spectrum between the craftsman and the engineer at the end of the spectrum closest to the engineer – Preparation would be an associate’s degree or bachelor’s degree in engineering technology

Technology – Technology comprises the entire system of people and organizations, knowledge, processes, and devices that go into creating and operating technological artifacts, as well as the artifacts themselves.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS TEACHERS

All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the English Language Arts Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

These standards were aligned to the 2011 InTASC Model Core Teaching Standards and the 2012 NCTE/NCATE Standards for Initial Preparation of Teachers of Secondary English Language Arts. The language was written by a committee of content experts and has been adopted verbatim.

Standard 1: Learner Development - The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Performance

1(a) Candidates demonstrate knowledge of developmental levels in reading, writing, listening, viewing, and speaking and plan for developmental stages and diverse ways of learning.

1(b) Candidates demonstrate knowledge about how adolescents read and make meaning of a wide range of texts (e.g. literature, poetry, informational text, and digital media).

1(c) Candidates demonstrate knowledge about how adolescents compose texts in a wide range of genres and formats including digital media.

Standard 2: Learning Difference - The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Performance

2(a) Candidates demonstrate knowledge of theories and research needed to plan and implement instruction responsive to students’ local, national and international histories, individual identities (e.g., race, ethnicity, gender expression, age,
appearance, ability, spiritual belief, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, and community environment), and languages/dialects as they affect students’ opportunities to learn in ELA.

2(b) Candidates design and/or implement instruction that incorporates students’ linguistic and cultural backgrounds to enable skillful control over their rhetorical choices and language practices for a variety of audiences and purposes.

Standard 3: Learning Environments - The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Performance

3(a) Candidates use various types of data about their students’ individual differences, identities, and funds of knowledge for literacy learning to create inclusive learning environments that contextualize curriculum and instruction and help students participate actively in their own learning in ELA (e.g., workshops, project based learning, guided writing, Socratic seminars, literature circles etc.).

Standard 4: Content Knowledge - The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Performance

4(a) Candidates demonstrate knowledge and use print and non-print texts, media texts, classic texts and contemporary texts, including young adult—that represent a range of world literatures, historical traditions, genres, and the experiences of different genders, ethnicities, and social classes; they are able to use literary theories to interpret and critique a range of texts.

4(b) Candidates demonstrate knowledge and use the conventions of English language as they relate to various rhetorical situations (grammar, usage, and mechanics); they apply the concept of dialect and relevant grammar systems (e.g., descriptive and prescriptive); they facilitate principles of language acquisition; they connect the influence of English language history on ELA content and its impact of language on society.

4(c) Candidates demonstrate knowledge and compose a range of formal and informal texts, taking into consideration the interrelationships among form, audience, context, and purpose; candidates understand that writing involves strategic and recursive processes across multiple stages (e.g., planning, drafting, revising, editing, and publishing); candidates use contemporary technologies and/or digital media to compose multimodal discourse.

4(d) Candidates demonstrate knowledge and use strategies for acquiring and applying vocabulary knowledge to general academic and domain specific words as well as
unknown terms important to comprehension (reading and listening) or expression (speaking and writing).

**Standard 5: Application of Content - The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.**

**Performance**

5(a) Candidates design and/or implement instruction related to the strategic use of language conventions (grammar, usage, and mechanics) in the context of students’ writing for different audiences, purposes, and modalities.

5(b) Candidates design and/or implement English language arts and literacy instruction that promotes social justice and critical engagement with complex issues related to maintaining a diverse, inclusive, equitable society.

5(c) Candidates design and/or implement instruction related to a breadth and depth of texts, purposes, and complexities (e.g., literature, digital, visual, informative, argument, narrative, poetic) that lead to students becoming independent, critical, and strategic readers, writers, speakers, and listeners.

5(d) Candidates design and/or implement instruction related to speaking and listening that lead to students becoming critical and active participants in conversations and collaborations.

**Standard 6: Assessment - The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.**

**Performance**

6(a) Candidates design a range of authentic assessments (e.g., formal and informal, formative and summative) of reading and literature that demonstrate an understanding of how learners develop and that address interpretive, critical, and evaluative abilities in reading, writing, speaking, listening, viewing, and presenting.

6(b) Candidates design or knowledgeably select appropriate reading assessments in response to student interests, reading proficiencies, and/or reading strategies.

6(c) Candidates design or knowledgeably select a range of assessments for students that promote their development as writers, are appropriate to the writing task, and are consistent with current research and theory. Candidates respond to students’ writing throughout the students’ writing processes in ways that engage students’ ideas and encourage their growth as writers over time.

6(d) Candidates differentiate instruction based on multiple kinds of assessments of learning in English language arts (e.g., students’ self-assessments, formal assessments, informal assessments); candidates communicate with students about their performance in ways that actively involve students in their own learning.
Standard 7: Planning for Instruction - The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Performance

7(a) Candidates plan instruction which, when appropriate, reflects curriculum integration and incorporates interdisciplinary teaching methods and materials which includes reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language.

7(b) Candidates plan standards-based, coherent and relevant learning experiences in reading that reflect knowledge of current theory and research about the teaching and learning of reading and that utilize individual and collaborative approaches and a variety of reading strategies.

7(c) Candidates use their knowledge of theory, research, and practice in English Language Arts to plan standards-based, coherent and relevant composing experiences that utilize individual and collaborative approaches and contemporary technologies and reflect an understanding of writing processes and strategies in different genres for a variety of purposes and audiences.

7(d) Candidates use their knowledge of theory, research, and practice in English Language Arts to plan standards-based, coherent and relevant learning experiences utilizing a range of different texts—across genres, periods, forms, authors, cultures, and various forms of media—and instructional strategies that are motivating and accessible to all students, including English language learners, students with special needs, students from diverse language and learning backgrounds, those designated as high achieving, and those at risk of failure.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies - The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Performance

8(a) Candidates plan and implement instruction based on ELA curricular requirements and standards, school and community contexts by selecting, creating, and using a variety of instructional strategies and resources specific to effective literacy instruction, including contemporary technologies and digital media, and knowledge about students’ linguistic and cultural backgrounds.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice - The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.
Performance  

9(a) Candidates model literate and ethical practices in ELA teaching, and engage in a variety of experiences related to ELA and reflect on their own professional practices.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration - The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Performance  

10(a) Candidates engage in and reflect on a variety of experiences related to ELA that demonstrate understanding of and readiness for leadership, collaboration, ongoing professional development, and community engagement.
All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

In addition to the standards listed here, exceptional child teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the Idaho Generalist Standards and may meet one of the following, if applicable: (1) Idaho Standards for Teachers of the Blind and Visually Impaired or (2) Idaho Standards for Teachers of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Generalist Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

*Standard 1: Learner Development and Individual Learning Differences - The teacher understands how exceptionalities may interact with development and learning and use this knowledge to provide meaningful and challenging learning experiences for individuals with exceptionalities.*

**Knowledge**

1(a) The teacher understands how language, culture, and family background influence the learning of individuals with exceptionalities.

1(b) The teacher has an understanding of development and individual differences to respond to the needs of individuals with exceptionalities.

1(c) The teacher understands how exceptionalities can interact with development and learning.

**Performance**

1(d) The teacher modifies developmentally appropriate learning environments to provide relevant, meaningful, and challenging learning experiences for individuals with exceptionalities.
1(e) The teacher is active and resourceful in seeking to understand how primary language, culture, and family interact with the exceptionality to influence the individual’s academic and social abilities, attitudes, values, interests, and career and post-secondary options.

Standard 2: Learning Environments - The teacher creates safe, inclusive, culturally responsive learning environments so that individuals with exceptionalities become active and effective learners and develop emotional well-being, positive social interactions, and self-determination.

Knowledge

2(a) The teacher understands applicable laws, rules, regulations, and procedural safeguards regarding behavior management planning for students with disabilities.

2(b) The teacher knows how to collaborate with general educators and other colleagues to create safe, inclusive, culturally responsive learning environments to engage individuals with exceptionalities in meaningful learning activities and social interactions.

2(c) The teacher understands motivational and instructional interventions to teach individuals with exceptionalities how to adapt to different environments.

2(d) The teacher knows how to intervene safely and appropriately with individuals with exceptionalities in crisis (e.g., positive behavioral supports, functional behavioral assessment and behavior plans).

Performance

2(e) The teacher develops safe, inclusive, culturally responsive learning environments for all students, and collaborates with education colleagues to include individuals with exceptionalities in general education environments and engage them in meaningful learning activities and social interactions.

2(f) The teacher modifies learning environments for individual needs and regards an individual’s language, family, culture, and other significant contextual factors and how they interact with an individual’s exceptionality. The teacher modifies learning environment, and provides for the maintenance and generalization of acquired skills across environments and subjects.

2(g) The teacher structures learning environments to encourage the independence, self-motivation, self-direction, personal empowerment, and self-advocacy of individuals with exceptionalities, and directly teach them to adapt to the expectations and demands of differing environments.

2(h) The teacher safely intervenes with individuals with exceptionalities in crisis. Special education teachers are also perceived as a resource in behavior management that include the skills and knowledge to intervene safely and effectively before or when individuals with exceptionalities experience crisis, i.e. lose rational control over their behavior.
Standard 3: Curricular Content Knowledge - The teacher uses knowledge of general and specialized curricula to individualize learning for individuals with exceptionalities.

Knowledge

3(a) The teacher understands the central concepts, structures of the discipline, and tools of inquiry of the content areas they teach, and can organize this knowledge, integrate cross-disciplinary skills, and develop meaningful learning progressions for individuals with exceptionalities.

3(b) The teacher understands and uses general and specialized content knowledge for teaching across curricular content areas to individualize learning for individuals with exceptionalities.

3(c) The teacher knows how to modify general and specialized curricula to make them accessible to individuals with exceptionalities.

Performance

3(d) The teacher demonstrates in their planning and teaching, a solid base of understanding of the central concepts in the content areas they teach.

3(e) The teacher collaborates with general educators in teaching or co-teaching the content of the general curriculum to individuals with exceptionalities and designs appropriate learning, accommodations, and/or modifications.

3(f) The teacher uses a variety of specialized curricula (e.g., academic, strategic, social, emotional, and independence curricula) to individualize meaningful and challenging learning for individuals with exceptionalities.

Standard 4: Assessment - The teacher uses multiple methods of assessment and data-sources in making educational decisions

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher knows how to select and use technically sound formal and informal assessments that minimize bias.

4(b) The teacher has knowledge of measurement principles and practices, and understands how to interpret assessment results and guide educational decisions for individuals with exceptionalities.

4(c) In collaboration with colleagues and families, the teacher knows how to use multiple types of assessment information in making decisions about individuals with exceptionalities.

4(d) The teacher understands how to engage individuals with exceptionalities to work toward quality learning and performance and provide feedback to guide them.

4(e) The teacher understands assessment information to identify supports, adaptations, and modifications required for individuals with exceptionalities to access the general curriculum and to participate in school, system, and statewide assessment programs.
4(f) The teacher is aware of available technologies routinely used to support assessments (e.g., progress monitoring, curriculum-based assessments, etc.).

4(g) The teacher understands the legal policies of assessment related to special education referral, eligibility, individualized instruction, and placement for individuals with exceptionalities, including individuals from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

**Performance**

4(h) The teacher regularly monitors the learning progress of individuals with exceptionalities in both general and specialized content and makes instructional adjustments based on these data.

4(i) The teacher gathers background information regarding academic, medical, and social history.

4(j) The teacher conducts formal and/or informal assessments of behavior, learning, achievement, and environments to individualize the learning experiences that support the growth and development of individuals with exceptionalities.

4(k) The teacher integrates the results of assessments to develop a variety of individualized plans, including family service plans, transition plans, behavior change plans, etc.

4(l) The teacher participates as a team member in creating the assessment plan that may include ecological inventories, portfolio assessments, functional assessments, and high and low assistive technology needs to accommodate students with disabilities.

**Standard 5: Instructional Planning and Strategies** – The teacher selects, adapts, and uses a repertoire of evidence-based instructional strategies and interventions to advance learning of individuals with exceptionalities.

**Knowledge**

5(a) The teacher knows how to consider an individual’s abilities, interests, learning environments, and cultural and linguistic factors in the selection, development, and adaptation of learning experiences for individuals with exceptionalities.

5(b) The teacher understands technologies used to support instructional assessment, planning, and delivery for individuals with exceptionalities.

5(c) The teacher is familiar with augmentative and alternative communication systems and a variety of assistive technologies to support the communication and learning of individuals with exceptionalities.

5(d) The teacher understands strategies to enhance language development, communication skills, and social skills of individuals with exceptionalities.
5(e) The teacher knows how to develop and implement a variety of education and transition plans for individuals with exceptionalities across a wide range of settings and different learning experiences in collaboration with individuals, families, and teams.

5(f) The teacher knows how to teach to mastery and promotes generalization of learning for individuals with exceptionalities.

5(g) The teacher knows how to teach cross-disciplinary knowledge and skills such as critical thinking and problem solving to individuals with exceptionalities.

5(h) The teacher knows how to enhance 21st Century student outcomes such as critical thinking, creative problem solving, and collaboration skills for individuals with exceptionalities, and increases their self-determination.

5(i) The teacher understands available technologies routinely used to support and manage all phases of planning, implementing, and evaluating instruction.

**Performance**

5(j) The teacher plans and uses a repertoire of evidence-based instructional strategies in promoting positive learning results in general and special curricula and in modifying learning environments for individuals with exceptionalities appropriately.

5(k) The teacher emphasizes explicit instruction with modeling, and guided practice to assure acquisition and fluency, as well as, the development, maintenance, and generalization of knowledge and skills across environments.

5(l) The teacher matches their communication methods to an individual’s language proficiency and cultural and linguistic differences.

5(m) The teacher utilizes universal design for learning, augmentative and alternative communication systems, and assistive technologies to support and enhance the language and communication of individuals with exceptionalities.

5(n) The teacher develops a variety of individualized transition plans, such as transitions from preschool to elementary school and from secondary settings to a variety of postsecondary work and learning contexts.

5(o) The teacher personalizes instructional planning within a collaborative context including the individuals with exceptionalities, families, professional colleagues, and personnel from other agencies as appropriate.

**Standard 6: Professional Learning and Ethical Practices** – The teacher uses foundational knowledge of the field and the their professional Ethical Principles and Practice Standards to inform special education practice, to engage in lifelong learning, and to advance the profession.

**Knowledge**

6(a) The teacher understands how foundational knowledge and current issues influence professional practice.
6(b) The teacher understands that diversity is a part of families, cultures, and schools, and that complex human issues can interact with the delivery of special education services.

6(c) The teacher understands the significance of lifelong learning and participates in professional activities and learning communities.

6(d) The teacher understands how to advance the profession by engaging in activities such as advocacy and mentoring.

6(e) The teacher knows how to create a manageable system to maintain all program and legal records for students with disabilities as required by current federal and state laws.

**Performance**

6(f) The teacher uses professional Ethical Principles and Professional Practice Standards to guide their practice.

6(g) The teacher provides guidance and direction to paraeducators, tutors, and volunteers.

6(h) The teacher plans and engages in activities that foster their professional growth and keep them current with evidence-based practices.

6(i) The teacher is sensitive to the aspects of diversity with individuals with exceptionalities and their families, and the provision of effective special education services for English learners with exceptionalities and their families.

**Standard 7: Collaboration** – The teacher will collaborate with families, other educators, related service providers, individuals with exceptionalities, and personnel from community agencies in culturally responsive ways to address the needs of individuals with exceptionalities across a range of learning experiences.

**Knowledge**

7(a) The teacher understands the theory and elements of effective collaboration.

7(b) The teacher understands how to serve as a collaborative resource to colleagues.

7(c) The teacher understands how to use collaboration to promote the well-being of individuals with exceptionalities across a wide range of settings and collaborators.

7(d) The teacher understands how to collaborate with their general education colleagues to create learning environments that meaningfully include individuals with exceptionalities, and that foster cultural understanding, safety and emotional well-being, positive social interactions, and active engagement.

7(e) The teacher is familiar with the common concerns of parents/guardians of students with disabilities and knows appropriate strategies to work with parents/guardians to deal with these concerns.
7(f) The teacher knows about services, networks, and organizations for individuals with disabilities and their families, including advocacy and career, vocational, and transition support.

Performance

7(g) The teacher collaborates with the educational team to uphold current federal and state laws pertaining to students with disabilities, including due process rights related to assessment, eligibility, and placement.

7(h) The teacher collaborates with related-service providers, other educators including special education paraeducators, personnel from community agencies, and others to address the needs of individuals with exceptionalities.

7(i) The teacher involves individuals with exceptionalities and their families collaboratively in all aspects of the education of individuals with exceptionalities.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR TEACHERS OF THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

In addition to the standards listed here, teachers of the blind and visually impaired must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards.

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Standards for Teachers of the Blind and Visually Impaired are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

The teacher of students with visual impairments is well versed in the foundations for education of the blind and visually impaired, the physiology and functions of the visual system, and the effect of vision impairment has on the instructional program. Further, the teacher collaboratively designs instructional strategies based on the results of specialized assessments.

Standard #1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Knowledge

1(a) The teacher understands the need for students to establish body awareness, communication, self-esteem, and social skills, as described in the American Foundation for the Blind Expanded Core Curriculum (Expanded Core Curriculum).

1(b) The teacher knows the effects of a visual impairment on the student’s family or guardians, and the reciprocal impact on the student’s self-esteem.

1(c) The teacher understands the variations in functional capabilities and the diverse implications that various eye diseases have on growth and development.

Performance

1(d) The teacher provides students with a means to independently access materials readily available to the sighted world.
1(e) The teacher prepares students who have visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities, to respond to societal attitudes and actions with appropriate behavior and self-advocacy.

1(f) The teacher designs instructional experiences depending on individual student and familial stages of acceptance of the visual impairment.

1(g) The teacher communicates information from the optometrist/ophthalmologist report to school personnel to confirm the educational implications of the eye condition and to ensure the student’s visual strengths are used.

Standard #2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Knowledge

2(a) The teacher knows the impact of visual disorders on learning, experience, and concept development.

2(b) The teacher knows methods for the development of special auditory, tactual, and modified visual communication skills for students with visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities (e.g., For example: assistive technology specific for the auditory and tactual learner, such as screen readers, refreshable braille display; pre-braille skills; braille reading and writing; magnification options; tactile graphics).

2(c) The teacher understands the terminology related to diseases and disorders of the human visual system and their impact on language, communication, cognitive, spatial concept, and psychosocial development.

2(d) The teacher knows how to critique and evaluate the strengths and limitations of various types of assistive technologies.

2(e) The teacher knows a variety of input and output enhancements to computer technologies that address the specific access needs of students with visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities, in a variety of environments.

2(f) The teacher knows techniques for modifying instructional methods and materials for students with visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities, and for assisting classroom teachers in implementing these modifications.

Performance

2(g) The teacher teaches, writes, and reads literary braille and Nemeth (math and science), as well as music and computer braille codes.

2(h) The teacher secures specialized materials and equipment and provides training, as needed.

2(i) The teacher integrates knowledge of the visual impairment when identifying and infusing low vision devices and strategies into the curriculum, learning environments, and instructional techniques.
2(j) The teacher integrates ophthalmology, optometry, low vision, and functional vision evaluation/learning media assessments information to comprehensively design strategies as part of an IEP or 504.

**Standard #3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.**

Knowledge

3(a) The teacher knows and understands factors in the learning environment (e.g., physical layout, organization, teacher behavior and expectations) that affect the learning behavior of students with visual impairments.

3(b) The teacher knows and understands strategies for creating a positive, productive learning environment that fosters student achievement.

3(c) The teacher knows and understands instructional planning and management issues (e.g., time management, caseload management, collaborative planning) related to various models and systems of service delivery (e.g., itinerant, residential, transdisciplinary teaming).

Performance

3(d) The teacher develops management strategies for meeting students’ needs effectively and efficiently in the context of various service delivery models and systems.

3(e) The teacher organizes learning environments to facilitate students’ acquisition of concepts and skills in, both, the general education and Expanded Core Curriculum.

3(f) The teacher applies organizational strategies that maximize students’ ability to benefit from learning activities (e.g., strategies that help them orient themselves, move comfortably in the environment, interact positively with peers).

**Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.**

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher knows the historical foundations for the education of children with visual impairments, including a continuum of service options.

4(b) The teacher knows about consumer and professional organizations, journals, networks, and services relevant to the field of visual impairment, including deafblindness.
4(c) The teacher knows and understands federal laws and regulations related to the educational rights of all students with disabilities (e.g., The Americans with Disabilities Act, The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Section 504) and those that specifically address students who are blind or visually impaired (e.g., federal entitlements for the provision of specialized equipment and materials, such as the American Printing House for the Blind Quota Funds).

4(d) The teacher possesses an in-depth knowledge of the variances in the medical, federal, and state definitions of visual impairment, identification criteria, labeling issues, incidence and prevalence figures, and how each component interacts with eligibility determinations for service.

4(e) The teacher knows specialized policies and resources regarding referral and placement procedures for students with visual impairments.

4(f) The teacher knows the effects of medications on the visual system.

Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The teacher knows and understands factors that promote or hinder effective communication and collaboration with students, parents/guardians, paraprofessionals, teachers, administrators, and other school and community personnel.

5(b) The teacher knows and understands the collaborative roles of students, parents/guardians, classroom teachers, and other school and community personnel in planning and implementing students’ IEPs, 504s and IFSPs.

5(c) The teacher knows and understands the roles of related service personnel (e.g., certified orientation & mobility specialists, physical therapists, school nurses, counselors, rehabilitation staff), and paraprofessionals (e.g., transcribers) in the education of students with visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities.

Performance

5(d) The teacher applies skills for communicating and collaborating effectively with teachers, paraprofessionals, and other school and community personnel to enhance learning opportunities for students with visual impairments, and ensures that students receive the services they need.

5(e) The teacher uses effective strategies for helping classroom teachers understand the effects of visual impairments on learning, for ensuring that teachers receive necessary support (e.g., training and the use of equipment, braille materials for lessons, interlined transcriptions of students’ written work in braille), and for ensuring that students have full access to needed adaptations and resources.
5(f) The teacher works collaboratively with professionals, family members and other personnel to help provide child-centered intervention for infants, toddlers, preschoolers and school-age students with visual impairments.

5(g) The teacher serves as a resource for parents/guardians and others in the school and community in regard to students with visual impairments and how to promote their learning and address their needs.

Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Knowledge

6(a) The teacher knows the procedures used for screening, pre-referral, referral, and classifications of students with visual impairments, including vision screening methods, functional vision evaluation, and learning media assessment.

6(b) The teacher possesses an in-depth knowledge of procedures for adapting and administering assessments for the intervention, referral, and identification of students with a visual impairment, including those with additional disabilities.

Performance

6(c) The teacher conducts alternative as well as functional evaluations of visual, literacy, basic orientation and mobility, and educational performance.

6(d) The teacher uses information obtained through functional, alternative, and standardized assessments to plan, deliver, and modify instructional and environmental factors, including IEP or 504 development.

Standard #7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher knows and understands factors in the learning environment (e.g., physical layout, organization, teacher behaviors and expectations) that affect the learning and behavior of students with visual impairments.

7(b) The teacher knows and understands resources available for individuals with visual impairments, including deaf blindness and those with additional disabilities (e.g., APH materials, textbooks, agencies).

7(c) The teacher knows and understands techniques for creating and adapting instructional materials (e.g., brailled, enlarged, outlined, highlighted) for students with visual impairments.
Performance

7(d) The teacher organizes learning environments to facilitate students’ acquisition of concepts and skills in, both, the general education and Expanded Core Curriculum.

7(e) The teacher uses visual, tactile, auditory and other adaptations to design multisensory learning environments that promote students’ full participation and independent learning in a variety of group and individual contexts.

7(f) The teacher works collaboratively with the educational team to implement adaptations designed to compensate for visual impairments.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher possesses in-depth knowledge of methods, materials, and assistive technology for providing for the development of cognitive, auditory, tactual, and communication skills for the blind and visually impaired, including those with additional disabilities.

8(b) The teacher knows how to assist the student in related Expanded Core Curriculum skills, including developing visual, auditory, and tactile efficiency as well as basic orientation and mobility skills.

8(c) The teacher knows how to assist the student in developing alternative organizational and study skills.

8(d) The teacher knows methods for providing adapted physical and recreation skills for students who have visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities.

8(e) The teacher knows functional life skills instruction relevant to independent, community, and personal living and to employment for individuals with blindness, visual impairments, and co-occurring impairments, including methods for accessing printed public information, public transportation, community resources, and acquiring practical skills (e.g., keeping personal records, time management, banking, emergency procedures, etc.).

8(f) The teacher knows strategies and resources for developing transition plans and career awareness.

Performance

8(g) The teacher designs, sequences, implements, and evaluates modifications for daily living skills, to increase independence.

8(h) The teacher implements integrated learning experiences that are multi-sensory and encourage active participation, self-advocacy, and independence.
8(i) The teacher integrates knowledge of the visual impairment and co-occurring disabilities with child development when designing and implementing cognitive, communication, and social skills instruction.

**Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice.** The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

**Knowledge**

9(a) The teacher knows and understands ethical responsibilities of teachers of students with visual impairments (e.g., advocating for students and their families, seeking improvements in the quality of students’ educational services, pursuing ongoing professional development).

9(b) The teacher knows and understands the functions of agencies, consumer organizations and initiatives that promote nation-wide standards of excellence for the provision of services to students with visual impairments.

9(c) The teacher knows and understands the functions of professional organizations, publications and activities relevant to ongoing practice and professional development in the field of visual impairment.

**Performance**

9(d) The teacher applies knowledge of research-based practices and current trends and issues in the field of visual impairment to provide students with educational programming, materials, and services they need to achieve to their full potential.

9(e) The teacher applies knowledge of legal requirements and documentation related to issues such as referral, evaluation, eligibility criteria, due process, confidentiality and least restrictive environment.

9(f) The teacher applies knowledge of state requirements and professional guidelines regarding the provision of services to students with visual impairments (e.g., caseloads, funding, array of service options).

**Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration.** The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

**Knowledge**

10(a) The teacher knows strategies for assisting family, guardians, professionals, and other members of the community in planning appropriate transitions for students who have visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities.
10(b) The teacher knows the roles of paraprofessionals who work directly with students who have visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities, (e.g., sighted readers, transcribers, aides) or who provide special materials to them.

10(c) The teacher knows that the attitudes, expectations, and behaviors of professionals and peers will affect the behaviors of students with visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities.

10(d) The teacher knows and understands The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

**Performance**

10(e) The teacher collaborates with parents, guardians, and other members of the community integral to the student’s learning and development.

10(f) The teacher clarifies the roles of paraprofessionals who work directly with students who have visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities, (e.g., readers, transcribers, aides) or who provide special materials to those students.

10(g) The teacher complies with FERPA.

**Standard 11: The teacher knows how to read and produce contracted and uncontracted Literary Braille and Nemeth Codes.**

**Knowledge**

11(a) The teacher knows and understands skills for reading and producing Literary Braille (uncontracted and contracted) and Nemeth Codes.

11(b) The teacher knows and understands the rules of the Literary Braille and Nemeth Codes, including formatting.

**Performance**

11(c) The teacher applies skills for reading and producing Literary Braille (uncontracted and contracted) and Nemeth Codes with a braille writer and slate and stylus.

11(d) The teacher applies the rules of the Literary Braille and Nemeth Codes when producing and adapting student work.

11(e) The teacher uses resources to obtain age-appropriate braille materials (e.g., APH materials, parent resources, braille production centers).
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR TEACHERS OF STUDENTS WHO ARE DEAF/HARD OF HEARING

In addition to the standards listed here, teachers of the deaf and hard of hearing must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Standards for Teachers of the deaf and hard of hearing are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

*Standard #1: Learner Development.* The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Knowledge**

1(a) The teacher understands how etiology, age of onset, age of identification, age at provision of services, and hearing status influence a student’s language development and learning.

1(b) The teacher understands that being deaf/hard of hearing alone does not necessarily preclude normal academic development, cognitive development, or communication ability.

1(c) The teacher understands how learning and language development occur and the impact of instructional choices on deaf/hard of hearing students so they achieve age appropriate levels of literacy, academics, and social emotional development.

**Performance**

1(d) The teacher identifies levels of language and literacy development and designs lessons and opportunities that are appropriate.

1(e) The teacher identifies levels of language and general academics and designs lessons and opportunities that are appropriate.

1(f) The teacher identifies levels of social/emotional development and designs lessons and opportunities that are appropriate.
Standard #2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Knowledge

2(a) The teacher understands how hearing status may influence student development in the following areas: sensory, cognitive, communication, physical, behavioral, cultural, social, and emotional.

2(b) The teacher knows the characteristics and impacts of hearing status, and the subsequent need for alternative modes of communication and/or instructional strategies.

2(c) The teacher understands the need for English language learning for students whose native language is American Sign Language (ASL).

2(d) The teacher understands the need for differentiated instruction for language learning for emergent language users.

2(e) The teacher understands that an Individualized Education Plan (IEP), including all current State and Federal guidelines for deaf/hard of hearing students should consider the following: communication needs; the student and family’s preferred mode of communication; linguistic needs; hearing status and potential for using auditory access; assistive technology; academic level; and social, emotional, and cultural needs, including opportunities for peer interactions and communication.

Performance

2(f) The teacher uses information concerning hearing status (i.e., sensory, cognitive, communication, linguistic needs); potential for using auditory access; academic level; social, emotional, and cultural needs in planning and implanting differentiated instruction and peer interactions and communication.

Standard #3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Knowledge

3(a) The teacher understands the unique social and emotional needs of students who are deaf/hard of hearing and knows strategies to facilitate the development of healthy self-esteem and identity.

3(b) The teacher understands that Deaf cultural factors, communication, and family influences impact classroom management of students.

3(c) The teacher understands the role of and the relationship among the teacher, interpreter, and student.
Performance

3(d) The teacher designs a classroom environment to maximize opportunities for students’ visual and/or auditory access.

3(e) The teacher creates a learning environment that encourages self-advocacy and the development of a positive self-identity.

3(f) The teacher prepares students for the appropriate use of interpreters and support personnel.

Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands the theories, history, cultural perspectives, philosophies, and models that provide the basis for education of the deaf/hard of hearing.

4(b) The teacher knows the various educational placement options and how they influence a deaf/hard of hearing student’s cultural identity and linguistic, academic, social, and emotional development.

4(c) The teacher understands the complex facets regarding issues related to deaf/hard of hearing individuals and working with their families (e.g., cultural and medical perspectives).

Performance

4(d) The teacher uses the tools, models, and strategies appropriate to the needs of students who are deaf/hard of hearing.

4(e) The teacher educates others regarding the potential benefits, and constraints of the following: cochlear implants, hearing aids, other amplification usage, sign language systems, ASL, use of technologies, and communication modalities.

Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The teacher understands the role of the interpreter and the use and maintenance of assistive technology.

5(b) The teacher knows resources, materials, and techniques relevant to communication choices (e.g., total communication, cued speech, ASL, listening and spoken language (LSL), hearing aids, cochlear implants, augmentative and assistive equipment, FM systems, and closed captioning).
Performance

5(c) The teacher uses resources, materials, and techniques that promote effective instruction for students who are deaf/hard of hearing (e.g., total communication, cued speech, ASL, LSL, hearing aids, cochlear implants, augmentative and assistive technology, FM systems, and closed captioning).

5(d) The teacher meets and maintains the proficiency requirements of the linguistic and educational environment of the student/program. For teachers to be employed in programs where sign language is used for communication and instruction, the teacher will meet one of the following to demonstrate sign language proficiency: 1) score Intermediate Plus level or above as measured by the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI), 2) receive 3.5 or above on the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA), or 3) obtain the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Certification (RID).

5(e) The teacher maintains a learning environment that facilitates the services of the interpreter, support personnel, and implementation of other accommodations.

5(f) The teacher provides instruction to students on the effective use of appropriate assistive technology.

Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Knowledge

6(a) The teacher knows specialized terminology used in the assessment of students who are deaf/hard of hearing.

6(b) The teacher knows the appropriate assessment accommodations.

6(c) The teacher understands the components of an adequate evaluation for eligibility, placement, and program planning decisions for students who are deaf/hard of hearing.

Performance

6(d) The teacher uses appropriate assessment tools that use the natural, native, or preferred language of the student who is deaf/hard of hearing.

6(e) The teacher designs and uses appropriate formative assessment tools.

6(f) The teacher gathers and analyzes communication samples to determine nonverbal and linguistic skills of students who are deaf/hard of hearing as part of academic assessment.

6(g) The teacher uses data from assessments to inform instructional decision making to develop present levels of performance (PLOP) and IEP goals.
Standard #7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher knows Federal and State special education laws (IDEA).

7(b) The teacher knows how to develop a meaningful and compliant IEP.

Performance

7(c) The teacher, as an individual and a member of a team, selects and creates learning experiences that are: aligned to State curriculum standards, relevant to students, address and align to students’ IEP goals, based on principles of effective instruction and performance modes.

7(d) The teacher implements the IEP.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher knows how to enhance instruction through the use of technology, visual materials and experiential activities to increase outcomes for students who are deaf/hard of hearing.

8(b) The teacher knows how to develop instruction that incorporates critical thinking, problem solving, and performance skills.

Performance

8(c) The teacher evaluates methods for achieving learning goals and chooses various teaching strategies, materials, and technologies to meet instructional purposes and the unique needs of students who are deaf/hard of hearing.

8(d) The teacher maintains a learning environment that facilitates the services of the educational interpreter, note taker, and other support personnel, as well as other accommodations.

8(e) The teacher enables students who are deaf/hard of hearing to use support personnel and assistive technology.

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Knowledge

9(a) The teacher knows The Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators.
9(b) The teacher knows about laws affecting deaf/hard of hearing citizens and students.

9(c) The teacher knows a variety of self-assessment strategies for reflecting on the practice of teaching for deaf/hard of hearing students.

9(d) The teacher is aware of the personal biases related to the field of education of deaf/hard of hearing children that affect teaching and knows the importance of presenting issues with objectivity, fairness, and respect.

9(e) The teacher knows where to find and how to access professional resources on teaching deaf/hard of hearing students and subject matters, and cultural perspectives.

9(f) The teacher knows about professional organizations within education in general and education of deaf/hard of hearing students and understands the need for professional activity and collaboration beyond the school.

9(g) The teacher understands the dynamics of change and recognizes that the field of education is not static.

9(h) The teacher knows how to use technology to enhance productivity and professionalism.

Performance

9(i) The teacher practices behavior congruent with The Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators.

9(j) The teacher adheres to local, state, and federal laws, including laws affecting deaf/hard of hearing citizens and students.

9(k) The teacher uses a variety of sources for evaluating his/her teaching (e.g., classroom observation, student achievement data, information from parents and students, and current research in the field of education of deaf/hard of hearing students).

9(l) The teacher uses self-reflection as a means of improving instruction.

9(m) The teacher participates in meaningful professional development opportunities in order to learn current, effective teaching practices.

9(n) The teacher stays abreast of professional literature, consults colleagues, and seeks other resources to support development as both a learner and a teacher.

9(o) The teacher engages in professional discourse about subject matter knowledge and pedagogy, as well as knowledge and pedagogy related to the education of deaf/hard of hearing students.

9(p) The teacher uses technology to enhance productivity and professionalism.

**Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration.** The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
Knowledge

10(a) The teacher understands the roles and responsibilities of teachers and support personnel in educational practice for deaf/hard of hearing students (e.g., educational interpreters, class teachers, transliterators, tutors, note takers, and audiologist).

10(b) The teacher knows of available resources.

10(c) The teacher understands the effects of communication on the development of family relationships and knows strategies to facilitate communication within a family that includes a student who is deaf/hard of hearing students.

10(d) The teacher knows the continuum of services provided by individuals and agencies in the ongoing support of students who are deaf/hard of hearing.

Performance

10(e) The teacher facilitates the coordination of support personnel (e.g., interpreters and transliterators) and agencies to meet the communication needs of students who are deaf/hard of hearing.

10(f) The teacher accesses and shares information about available resources with family and community.
All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Gifted and Talented Education Professional Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute indicators that candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

The Idaho Standards for Gifted and Talented Education Professionals incorporate the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) and the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Gifted Educator Preparation Standards (2014).

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, his/her content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions. This language was written by a committee of content experts in 2013, and has been adopted verbatim.

**Standard 1: Learner Development - The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.**

**Knowledge**

1(a) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the variations in learning and development between and among individuals with exceptionalities.

1(b) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the social and emotional issues of individuals with gifts and talents (e.g., perfectionism, underachievement, risk taking, and asynchronous development).

1(c) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the theories related to the highly sensitive nature of individuals with gifts and talents.

1(d) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the moral and ethical challenges of individuals with gifts and talents.

1(e) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the need for appropriate social and emotional counseling of individuals with gifts and talents.
1(f) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the common misconceptions, myths and stereotypes about individuals with gifts and talents.

Performance

1(g) Beginning gifted education professionals demonstrate their knowledge of variations in learning and development between and among individuals with gifts and talents by creating meaningful and challenging learning experiences.

1(h) Beginning gifted education professionals identify, evaluate, develop, and implement strategies and resources to address the social and emotional needs of individuals with gifts and talents.

1(i) Beginning gifted education professionals engage students in learning opportunities that develop moral and ethical dispositions.

1(j) Beginning gifted education professionals advocate for individuals with gifts and talents by debunking common misconceptions, myths and stereotypes associated with giftedness.

SUPPORTING EXPLANATION FOR STANDARD 1:

From its roots, gifted educators have placed the learning needs of the individual at the center of gifted education instruction. Gifted educators have altered instructional variables to optimize learning for individuals with gifts and talents. Development of expertise begins with a thorough understanding of and respect for similarities and differences in all areas of human growth and development. Like all educators, beginning gifted educators first respect individuals with gifts and talents within the context of human development and Individual learning differences. Not only do beginning gifted educators understand advanced developmental milestones of individuals with gifts and talents from early childhood through adolescence, but they also understand how exceptionalities can interact with development and learning, and modify developmentally appropriate learning environments to provide relevant, meaningful, and challenging learning experiences for individuals with gifts and talents.

Standard 2: Learning Differences - The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Knowledge

2(a) Beginning gifted education professionals understand how language, culture, economic status, family background, age, gender, learning disabilities, and other disabilities can influence the learning of individuals with gifts and talents.

Performance

2(b) Beginning gifted education professionals identify and provide appropriate differentiated curriculum that targets individual students’ needs with respect to an individual’s high performing capabilities in intellectual, creative, specific academic, leadership areas, or ability in the performing or visual arts.
2(c) Beginning gifted education professionals use understanding of development and individual differences to respond to the needs of individuals with gifts and talents.

SUPPORTING EXPLANATION FOR STANDARD 2:

Beginning gifted educators understand the variation in characteristics between and among individuals with and without gifts and talents. They know exceptionalities can interact with multiple domains of human development to influence an individual’s learning in school, community, and throughout life. Moreover, they understand that the beliefs, traditions, and values across and within cultures can influence relationships among and between students, their families, and the school community. Furthermore, these experiences of individuals with exceptionalities can influence the individual’s ability to learn, interact socially, and live as fulfilled contributing members of the community.

Beginning gifted educators are active and resourceful in seeking to understand how primary language, culture, family, and learning disabilities interact with the individual’s gifts and talents to influence academic and social abilities, attitudes, values, interests, and career and post-secondary options.

These learning differences and their interactions provide the foundation upon which beginning gifted educators differentiate instruction, create adaptations and instructional support in order to provide developmentally meaningful and challenging learning for individuals with exceptionalities.

Standard 3: Learning Environments - The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Knowledge

3(a) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the elements of safe, inclusive, and culturally responsive learning environments so that individuals with gifts and talents become active and effective learners and develop emotional well-being, positive social interactions, independence, and self-advocacy.

Performance

3(b) Beginning gifted education professionals collaborate with general educators and other colleagues to create safe, inclusive, culturally responsive learning environments that engage individuals with gifts and talents in meaningful learning activities and social interactions. They take into account individual abilities and needs and develop emotional well-being, positive social interactions, independence, and self-advocacy.

3(c) Beginning gifted education professionals use communication and motivational and instructional interventions to facilitate understanding of subject matter and to teach individuals with gifts and talents how to adapt to different environments and develop leadership skills.

3(d) Beginning gifted education professionals match their communication methods to an individual’s language proficiency and cultural and linguistic differences.
SUPPORTING EXPLANATION FOR STANDARD 3:

Like all educators, beginning gifted educators develop safe, inclusive, culturally responsive learning environments for all students. They also collaborate with colleagues in general education and other specialized environments that develop students’ gifts and talents, engaging them in meaningful learning activities that enhance independence, interdependence, and positive peer-relationships.

Beginning gifted educators modify learning environments for individual needs. Knowledge regarding an individual’s language, family, culture, and other significant contextual factors and how they interact with an individual’s gifts and talents guides the beginning gifted educator in modifying learning environments and providing for the maintenance and generalization of acquired skills across environments and subjects. They match their communication methods to an individual’s language proficiency and cultural and linguistic differences, avoiding discrimination and stereotyping.

Beginning gifted educators structure environments to encourage self-awareness, self-efficacy, self-direction, personal empowerment, leadership, and self-advocacy of individuals with gifts and talents and directly teach them to adapt to the expectations and demands of differing environments.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge - The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the central concepts and structures of the disciplines and tools of inquiry related to the various academic content areas they teach or support.

Performance

4(b) Beginning gifted education professionals organize content knowledge, integrate cross-disciplinary skills, and develop meaningful learning progressions to help individuals with gifts and talents in academic subject matter and specialized content domains.

SUPPORTING EXPLANATION FOR STANDARDS 4 & 5:

The professional knowledge base in general education has made clear that the educators’ understanding of the central concepts and structures of the discipline and tools of inquiry related to the academic subject-matter content areas they teach makes a significant difference in student learning. There is good reason to generalize this conclusion to gifted educators.

Within the general curricula, beginning gifted educators demonstrate in their planning and teaching, a solid base of understanding of the theories, central concepts and principles, structures of the discipline, and tools of inquiry of the academic subject-matter content areas they teach so they are able to organize knowledge, integrate cross-disciplinary skills, develop meaningful learning progressions and collaborate with educators in:
Using assessments to select, adapt, and create materials to differentiate instructional strategies and general and specialized curricula to challenge individuals with gifts and talents.

Teaching the content of the general or specialized curriculum to individuals with gifts and talents across a wide range of advanced performance levels.

Designing appropriate learning and performance modifications for individuals with gifts and talents in academic subject matter and specialized content domains that incorporate advanced, conceptually challenging, in-depth, distinctive, and complex content.

Additionally, beginning gifted educators use a variety of specialized curricula to individualize meaningful and challenging learning for individuals with exceptionalities.

**Standard 5: Application of Content - The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.**

**Knowledge**

5(a) Beginning gifted education professionals understand general and specialized curriculum models to create advanced, conceptually challenging, in-depth, distinctive, and complex learning experiences across a wide range of advanced knowledge and performance levels.

5(b) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the responsibility of School Districts outlined in Idaho Code 33-2003, as well as the definition of Gifted/Talented Children defined in Idaho Code 33-2001-04 with respect to high performing capabilities in intellectual, creative, specific academic or leadership areas, or ability in the performing or visual arts.

**Performance**

5(c) Beginning gifted education professionals implement general and specialized curriculum to create advanced, conceptually challenging, in-depth, distinctive, and complex learning experiences across a wide range of advanced knowledge and performance levels.

5(d) Beginning gifted education professionals implement the components of Idaho Codes 33-2001-04 and 33-2003 with respect to individuals with high performing capabilities in intellectual, creative, specific academic or leadership areas, or ability in the performing or visual arts.

**Standard 6: Assessment - The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.**

**Knowledge**

6(a) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the appropriate use and limitations of various types of assessments.
6(b) Beginning gifted education professionals understand how to select and use technically sound formal and informal assessments that minimize bias.

Performance

6(c) Beginning gifted education professionals use pre-assessment and formative/summative assessments. They select, adapt, and create materials to differentiate strategies and create curricula that challenges and ensures growth of individuals with gifts and talents.

6(d) Beginning gifted education professionals conduct and analyze formal and informal assessments of learning and achievement related to gifted and talented referral/nomination, identification, program planning, and other services for individuals with gifts and talents.

6(e) Beginning gifted education professionals use assessment data to foster and document sustained growth over time of individuals with gifts and talents.

6(f) Beginning gifted education professionals use various types of assessment data to collaborate with families and colleagues to assure appropriate, non-biased, and meaningful assessment to develop long- and short-range goals and objectives.

6(g) Beginning gifted education professionals engage individuals with gifts and talents in assessing the quality of their own learning and performance and in providing feedback to guide them in setting future goals and objectives.

SUPPORTING EXPLANATION FOR STANDARD 6:

Like all educators, beginning gifted educators understand measurement theory and practice for addressing issues of validity, reliability, norms, bias, and interpretation of assessment results. Beginning gifted educators understand the policies and ethical principles of measurement and assessment related to gifted education referral/nomination, identification, planning, differentiated instruction, learning progress, and services for individuals with gifts and talents, including individuals from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Beginning gifted educators understand the appropriate use and limitations of various types of assessments and collaborate with families and other colleagues to assure nonbiased, meaningful assessments and decision-making.

Beginning gifted educators select and use assessment information to support a wide variety of decisions within gifted education. They conduct formal and informal assessments of behavior, learning, achievement, and environments to differentiate the learning experiences and document the growth and development of individuals with gifts and talents. Moreover, they differentiate assessments to identify above level performances and to accelerate and enrich the general curriculum. Beginning gifted educators use available technologies routinely to support their assessments and employ alternative assessments such as performance-based assessment, portfolios, and computer simulations.

Using these data, beginning gifted educators make multiple types of assessment decisions including strategic adaptations and modifications in response to an individuals’ constellation of
social, linguistic, and learning factors in ways to minimize bias. They also use the results of assessments to develop long-range instructional plans anchored in both general and specialized curricula, and they translate these plans into carefully selected shorter-range goals and objectives to differentiate instruction. Moreover, beginning gifted educators engage individuals with gifts and talents in assessing the quality of their own learning and performance and in providing feedback to guide them in setting future goals and objectives.

Like their general education colleagues, beginning gifted educators regularly monitor the learning progress of individuals with gifts and talents in both general and specialized content and make instructional adjustments based on these data.

**Standard 7: Planning for Instruction - The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.**

**Knowledge**

7(a) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the rationale, history, philosophies, theories, definitions, and models of gifted and talented education.

7(b) Beginning gifted education professionals know principles of evidence-based practice and possess a repertoire of instructional strategies to enhance critical and creative thinking, problem-solving, and performance skills of individuals with gifts and talents.

7(c) Beginning gifted education professionals understand curriculum design that includes content, process, product, and learning environment to differentiate instruction to meet the needs of individuals with gifts and talents.

7(d) Beginning gifted education professionals understand how to develop curriculum in the five mandated areas: intellectual, creative, specific academic, leadership, and visual/performing arts.

**Performance**

7(e) Beginning gifted education professionals select and utilize a repertoire of evidence-based curriculum and instructional strategies to advance the learning of individuals with gifts and talents.

7(f) Beginning gifted education professionals use technologies to support assessment, planning, and delivery of instruction for individuals with gifts and talents.

7(g) Beginning gifted education professionals collaborate with families and professional colleagues in selecting, adapting, and using evidence-based strategies to promote challenging learning opportunities in general and specialized curricula.

**SUPPORTING EXPLANATION FOR STANDARD 7:**

In the selection, development, and adaptation of learning experiences for individuals with gifts and talents, beginning gifted educators consider an individual’s abilities, interests, learning environments and cultural and linguistic factors to promote positive learning results in general
and special curricula. Understanding these factors and curriculum models, as well as the implications of being gifted and talented, guides the educator’s development of scope and sequence plans; selection, adaptation and creation of learning activities; and use of differentiated evidence-based instructional strategies.

Moreover, beginning gifted educators facilitate these actions in a collaborative context that includes individuals with gifts and talents, families, professional colleagues, and personnel from other agencies as appropriate. They are familiar with alternative and augmentative communication systems and are comfortable using technologies to support language and communication, instructional planning and individualized instruction for individuals with exceptionalities.

**Standard 8: Instructional Strategies - The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.**

**Knowledge**

8(a) Beginning gifted education professionals understand a variety of differentiated instructional strategies to advance individuals with gifts and talents.

**Performance**

8(b) Beginning gifted education professionals use and adapt a repertoire of evidence-based curriculum and instructional strategies to advance the learning of individuals with gifts and talents.

8(c) Beginning gifted education professionals use technologies to support instruction for individuals with gifts and talents

8(d) Beginning gifted education professionals emphasize the development, practice, and transfer of advanced knowledge and skills leading individuals with gifts and talents to become creative and productive citizens.

8(e) Beginning gifted education professionals use curriculum design that includes content, process, product, and learning environment to address the needs of individuals with gifts and talents.

8(f) Beginning gifted education professionals develop and deliver curriculum in five mandated areas: intellectual, creative, specific academic, leadership, and visual/performing arts.

**SUPPORTING EXPLANATION FOR STANDARD 8:**

Beginning gifted educators possess a repertoire of evidence-based strategies to differentiate and accelerate the curriculum for individuals with gifts and talents. They select, adapt, and use these strategies to promote challenging learning opportunities in general and special curricula and to modify learning environments to enhance self-awareness and self-efficacy for individuals with gifts and talents. They enhance 21st Century student outcomes such as critical and creative thinking, problem solving, collaboration, and performance skills in specific domains and allow individuals with gifts and talents opportunities to explore, develop or research their areas of
interest or talent. Beginning gifted educators also emphasize the development, practice, and transfer of advanced knowledge and skills across environments throughout the lifespan leading to creative, productive careers in society for individuals with gifts and talents.

**Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice** - *The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to evaluate continually his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.*

**Knowledge**

9(a) Beginning gifted education professionals understand how foundational knowledge, perspectives, and current issues influence professional practice and the education and treatment of individuals with gifts and talents, both in school and society.

9(b) Beginning gifted education professionals are aware of their own professional development needs and understand the significance of lifelong learning.

**Performance**

9(c) Beginning gifted education professionals use foundational knowledge of the field and their professional Ethical Principles and Program Standards to inform gifted education practice, to engage in lifelong learning, and to advance the profession.

9(d) Beginning gifted education professionals model respect for diversity, understanding that diversity is a part of families, cultures, and schools, and that complex human issues can interact with identification of individuals with gifts and talents and the delivery of gifted services.

9(e) Beginning gifted education professionals advance the gifted education profession through participation in professional activities, learning communities, advocacy, and mentoring.

**SUPPORTING EXPLANATION FOR STANDARD 9:**

Beginning gifted educators practice in multiple roles and complex situations across wide age and developmental ranges requiring ongoing attention to legal matters and serious consideration of professional and ethical issues. Ethical principles and Program Standards guide beginning gifted educators. These principles and standards provide benchmarks by which gifted educators practice and evaluate one another professionally.

Beginning gifted educators understand gifted education as an evolving and changing discipline based on philosophies, evidence-based principles and theories, policies, and historical points of view that continue to influence the field of gifted education and the education of and services for individuals with gifts and talents and their families in both school and society. Beginning gifted educators understand how these factors influence professional practice including assessment, instructional planning, services, and program evaluation.

Beginning gifted educators are sensitive to the aspects of diversity relating to individuals with gifts and talents and their families, how human diversity can influence families, cultures, and schools, and how these complex issues can each interact with the delivery of gifted education...
services. Of special significance is the growth in the number and prevalence of English Language Learners (ELL) and the provision of effective gifted education services for ELL with exceptionalities and their families.

Beginning gifted educators also understand the relationships of the organization of gifted education services to the organization of schools, school systems, and education-related agencies within the country and cultures in which they practice. They are aware of how their own and others’ attitudes, behaviors, and ways of communicating can influence their practice, and use this knowledge as a foundation to inform their own personal understandings and philosophies of special education.

Beginning gifted educators engage in professional activities and participate actively in professional learning communities that benefit individuals with gifts and talents, their families, colleagues, and their own professional growth. They view themselves as lifelong learners and regularly reflect on and adjust their practice, and develop and use personalized professional development plans. They plan and engage in activities that foster their professional growth and keep them current with evidence-based practices and know how to recognize their own skill limits and practice within them.

Moreover, educators of the gifted embrace their special role as advocate for individuals with gifts and talents. They promote and advocate for the learning and wellbeing of individuals with gifts and talents across settings and diverse learning experiences.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration - The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Knowledge

10(a) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the theory and elements of effective collaboration.

10(b) Beginning gifted education professionals understand the components of a district plan for individuals with gifts and talents, including philosophy, definitions, goals, program options, identification procedures, and evaluation; how to develop a district plan; and the array of program options and services available for individuals with gifts and talents.

10(c) Beginning gifted education professionals understand effective implementation and evaluation of gifted and talented programs.

Performance

10(d) Beginning gifted education professionals collaborate with families, other educators and related service providers, individuals with gifts and talents, and personnel from community agencies in culturally responsive ways to address the needs of individuals with gifts and talents across a range of learning experiences.
10(e) Beginning gifted education professionals serve as a collaborative resource to colleagues.

10(f) Beginning gifted education professionals educate parents, other family members, and colleagues about the social and emotional needs and development of gifted and talented students.

10(g) Beginning gifted education professionals use collaboration to promote the well-being of individuals with gifts and talents across a wide range of settings and collaborators.

10(h) Beginning gifted education professionals use a variety of technologies and techniques to facilitate learning and communication.

10(i) Beginning gifted education professionals educate colleagues, parents/guardians, and others about the common misconceptions, myths, stereotypes, and controversial issues related to gifted and talented education.

10(j) Beginning gifted education professionals identify and implement extension and acceleration options for individuals with gifts and talents.

10(k) Beginning gifted education professionals match student needs with appropriate program options and services.

SUPPORTING EXPLANATION FOR STANDARD 10:

One of the significant changes in education over the past several decades is the rapid growth of collaborative educational teams to address the educational needs of students. The diversity of the students, complexity of curricular demands, growing influence of technology, and the rising targets for learning outcomes in the 21st century has created the demand for teams of educators collaborating together to ensure all students are effectively learning challenging curricula.

Beginning gifted educators embrace their role as a resource to colleagues and use the theory and elements of collaboration across a wide range of contexts and collaborators.

They collaborate with their general education and other special education colleagues to create learning environments that meaningfully include individuals with gifts and talents, and that foster cultural understanding, safety and emotional wellbeing, positive social interactions, and active engagement. Additionally, beginning gifted educators use collaboration to facilitate differentiated assessment and instructional planning to advance learning of individuals with gifts and talents across a wide range of settings and different learning experiences. They routinely collaborate with other educators in developing mentorships, internships, and vocational programming experiences to address the needs of individuals with gifts and talents.

Gifted educators have long recognized the positive significance of the active involvement of individuals with gifts and talents and their families in the education process, and gifted educators involve individuals with gifts and talents and their families collaboratively in all aspects of the education of individuals with gifts and talents.
GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**General Curricula** – As used “general curricula,” means the academic content of the general curricula including math, reading, English/language arts, science, social studies, and the arts.

**Specialized Curricula** – As used “specialized curricula,” means the content of specialized interventions or sets of interventions including but not limited to academic, strategic, communicative, social, emotional, and independent research curricula.

**Special Education Services** – Special education services are personalized, i.e. individualized, services that appropriately credentialed gifted educators provide directly or indirectly to individuals with exceptionalities.

**Individuals with Exceptionalities** – Individuals with exceptionalities include individuals with sensory, physical, emotional, social, cognitive differences, developmentally delays, exceptional gifts and talents; and individuals who are or have been abused or neglected; whose needs differ so as to require personalized special education services in addition to or in tandem with educational services available through general education programs and other human service delivery systems.

**Instructional Strategies** – Instructional strategies as used throughout this document include interventions used in academic and specialized curricula.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR HEALTH TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Health Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Standard #1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard #2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard #3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Knowledge

3(a) The teacher understands developmentally appropriate practices that engage students in health-enhancing behaviors.

3(b) The teacher knows strategies to help students develop the essential skills necessary to adopt, practice, and maintain health-enhancing behaviors (National Health Education Standards, 2nd Edition-American Cancer Society).

Performance

3(c) The teacher encourages students to incorporate positive health-enhancing behaviors inside and outside the school setting.

3(d) The teacher helps students learn and use personal and social behaviors that promote positive relationships (e.g., avoiding abusive relationships, using refusal skills, setting life goals, and making healthy decisions).
**Standard #4: Content Knowledge.** The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

**Knowledge**

4(a) The teacher understands Elementary and Secondary methods for teaching health literacy to include the following content areas of health: Alcohol, Tobacco, & Other Drugs; Nutrition & Physical Activity; Injury Prevention & Safety; Mental, Emotional & Social Health; Prevention & Control of Disease; Consumer & Community Health; Growth, Development & Family Life; and Environmental Health.

4(b) The teacher understands the following health risk behaviors: Tobacco, Alcohol, and Other Drug use; Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs), including sexual behaviors resulting in human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), and unplanned pregnancies; Poor Dietary Behaviors; Lack of or Excessive Physical Activity; and Behaviors resulting in Intentional Injury.

4(c) The teacher understands the relationship between health education content areas and youth risk behaviors.

4(d) The teacher understands how to implement Idaho Content Standards for Literacy in Technical Subjects (Health) for grades 6-12.

4(e) The teacher understands Elementary and Secondary methods for teaching Health Skills to include: Analyzing Influences; Accessing Information; Interpersonal Communication; Decision Making; Goal Setting; Practicing Health Behaviors; and Advocacy.

**Performance**

4(f) The teacher instructs students about increasing health-enhancing behaviors, resulting in the reduction of health-risk behaviors.

**Standard #5: Application of Content.** The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

**Knowledge**

5(a) The teacher recognizes that student jargon and slang associated with high-risk behaviors is ever changing.

**Performance**

5(b) The teacher identifies and defines student jargon/slang associated with high-risk behaviors and translates this jargon/slang into terminology appropriate to the educational setting.

5(c) The teacher facilitates responsible decision making, goal setting, and alternatives to high-risk behaviors that enhance health.
5(d) The teacher creates a respectful and safe learning environment that is sensitive to controversial health issues.

**Standard #6: Assessment.** The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

**Standard #7: Planning for Instruction.** The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

**Knowledge**

7(a) The teacher understands how positive evidence based community health values and practices play a role in the planning process.

7(b) The teacher understands how to access valid, appropriate health information and health-promoting products and services, as it relates to the planning process.

7(c) The teacher understands the influence of culture, media, technology, and other factors on health, as it relates to the planning process.

7(d) The teacher knows when and how to access valid health resources and collaborate with others to support student learning (e.g., special educators, related service providers, language learner specialists, librarians, media specialists, community organizations).

**Performance**

7(e) The teacher modifies instruction to reflect current health-related research and local health policies.

7(f) The teacher accesses valid, appropriate health information and health-promoting products and services.

7(g) The teacher analyzes the influence of culture, media, technology, and other factors on health and imbeds them in the planning process.

**Standard #8: Instructional Strategies.** The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

**Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice.** The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

**Knowledge**

9(a) The teacher knows the laws and codes specific to health education and health services to minors.
Performance

9(b) The teacher uses appropriate interventions following the identification, disclosure, or suspicion of student involvement in a high-risk behavior.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Knowledge

10(a) The teacher understands methods of advocating for personal, family, and community health (e.g., letters to editor, community service projects, health fairs, health races/walks).

Performance

10(b) The teacher advocates for a positive school culture toward health and health education.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR LITERACY TEACHERS

All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Literacy Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards.

This language was written by a committee of content experts and has been adopted verbatim.

Standard 1: Learner Development - The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards.

Performance

1(a) Demonstrate knowledge of developmental progressions for reading and writing and how these interface with assessment and instruction to meet diverse needs of students.

Standard 2: Learning Differences - The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards.

Performance

2(a) Model fair-mindedness, empathy, and ethical behavior when teaching students and working with other professionals.
2(b) Demonstrate an understanding of the ways in which diversity influences the reading and writing development of students, especially those who struggle to acquire literacy skills and strategies.

2(c) Provide students with linguistic, academic, and cultural experiences that link their communities with the school.

2(d) Adapt instructional materials and approaches to meet the language-proficiency needs of English learners and students who struggle to acquire literacy skills and strategies.

**Standard 3: Learning Environments - The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.**

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards."

**Performance**

3(a) Arrange instructional areas to provide easy access to books and other instructional materials for a variety of individual, small-group, and whole-class activities and support teachers in doing the same.

3(b) Modify the arrangements to accommodate students’ changing needs.

3(c) Create supportive social environments for all students, especially those who struggle to acquire literacy skills and strategies.

3(d) Create supportive environments where English learners are encouraged and given many opportunities to use English.

3(e) Understand the role of routines in creating and maintaining positive learning environments for reading and writing instruction using traditional print, digital, and online resources.

3(f) Create effective routines for all students, especially those who struggle to acquire literacy skills and strategies.

**Standard 4: Content Knowledge - The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.**

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards."

**Performance**

4(a) Interprets major theories of reading and writing processes and development to understand the needs of all readers in diverse contexts.

4(b) Analyzes classroom environment quality for fostering individual motivation to read and write (e.g., access to print, choice, challenge, and interests).
4(c) Reads and understands the literature and research about factors that contribute to reading success (e.g., social, cognitive, and physical).

4(d) Demonstrates knowledge of and a critical stance toward a wide variety of quality traditional print, digital, and online resources.

4(e) Demonstrates knowledge of variables of text complexity and use them in the analysis of classroom materials.

4(f) Demonstrates knowledge of literacy skills and strategies demanded for online reading, comprehension and research.

4(g) Demonstrates knowledge of the key concepts of literacy components and their interconnections as delineated in the Idaho Content Standards to include, but may not be limited to: Reading (Reading for Literature, Reading for Informational text, and Reading Foundational Skills) based on grade level appropriateness and developmental needs of student(s) being addressed, Writing, Speaking and Listening, and Language.

Standard 5: Application of Content - The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards.

Knowledge

5(a) Understands how literacy (reading and writing) occurs across all subject disciplines

Performance

5(b) Plans instruction addressing content area literacy according to local, state, and/or national standards.

5(c) Uses digital resources appropriately to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

5(d) Incorporates all aspects of literacy across content areas for instructional planning.

Standard 6: Assessment - The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards.

Performance

6(a) Demonstrate an understanding of the literature and research related to assessments and their uses and misuses.

6(b) Demonstrate an understanding of established purposes for assessing the performance of all readers, including tools for screening, diagnosis, progress monitoring, and measuring outcomes.
6(c) Recognize the basic technical adequacy of assessments (e.g., reliability, content, and construct validity).

6(d) Explain district and state assessment frameworks, proficiency standards, and student benchmarks.

6(e) Administer and interpret appropriate assessments for students, especially those who struggle with reading and writing.

6(f) Use multiple data sources to analyze individual readers’ performance and to plan instruction and intervention.

6(g) Analyze and use assessment data to examine the effectiveness of specific intervention practices and students’ responses to instruction.

6(h) Demonstrate the ability to communicate results of assessments to teachers and parents.

**Standard 7: Planning for Instruction - The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.**

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards*

**Performance**

7(a) Demonstrate an understanding of the research and literature that undergirds literacy instruction for all pre-K–12 students including the range of text types recommended by the Idaho Content Standards.

7(b) Develop and implement the curriculum to meet the specific needs of students who struggle with reading literacy.

7(c) Provide differentiated instruction and instructional materials, including traditional print, digital, and online resources that capitalize on diversity.

7(d) Develop instruction anchored in the concepts of text complexity that is developmentally appropriate, with special attention to struggling literacy learners and diverse learners.

7(e) Develop instruction that includes rich and diverse experiences in digital environments to help all learners, especially struggling readers/writers, to be successful in New Literacies.

**Standard 8: Instructional Strategies - The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.**

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards*
Performance

8(a) Selects and modifies instructional strategies, approaches, and routines based on professional literature and research.

8(b) Provide appropriate in-depth instruction for all readers and writers, especially those who struggle with reading and writing.

8(c) As needed, adapt instructional materials and approaches to meet the language-proficiency needs of English learners and students who struggle to learn to read and write.

8(d) Use a variety of grouping practices to meet the needs of all students, especially those who struggle with reading and writing.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice - The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards

Performance

9(a) Promote the value of reading and writing in and out of school by modeling a positive attitude toward reading and writing with students, colleagues, administrators, and parents and guardians.

9(b) Demonstrate effective use of technology for improving student learning.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration - The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

*For the purposes of these standards, the term “literacy” includes reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and language as aligned to the Idaho Content Standards Performance

Performance

10(a) Demonstrate the ability to hold effective conversations (e.g., for planning and reflective problem solving) with individuals and groups of teachers, work collaboratively with teachers and administrators.

10(b) Demonstrate an understanding of local, state, and national policies that affect reading and writing instruction.

10(c) Collaborate with others to build strong home-to-school and school-to-home literacy connections.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR MATHEMATICS TEACHERS

All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Mathematics Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Knowledge

1(a) The teacher knows how to recognize students’ mathematical development, knowledge, understandings, ways of thinking, mathematical dispositions, interests, and experiences.

1(b) The teacher knows of learning progressions and learning trajectories that move students toward more sophisticated mathematical reasoning.

Performance

1(c) The teacher encourages students to make connections and develop a cohesive framework for mathematical ideas.

1(d) The teacher applies knowledge of learning progressions and trajectories when creating assignments, assessments, and lessons.

1(e) The teacher plans and facilitates learning activities that value students’ ideas and guide the development of students’ ways of thinking, and mathematical dispositions in line with research-based learning progressions.

Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.
Knowledge

2(a) The teacher knows how to design lessons at appropriate levels of mathematical development, knowledge, understanding, and experience.

2(b) The teacher knows how to use assessment data and appropriate interventions for students.

Performance

2(c) The teacher adjusts and modifies instruction while adhering to the content standards, in order to ensure mathematical understanding for all students.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher knows a variety of problem-solving approaches for investigating and understanding mathematics.

4(b) The teacher understands concepts (as recommended by state and national mathematics education organizations) and applications of number and quantity, algebra, geometry (Euclidean and transformational), statistics (descriptive and inferential) and data analysis, and probability, functions, and trigonometry, and has the specialized and pedagogical content knowledge for teaching necessary for those concepts and applications to be implemented in the 6-12 curriculum.

4(c) The teacher knows how to make use of hands-on, visual, and symbolic mathematical models in all domains of mathematics.

4(d) The teacher knows how to use mathematical argument and proof to evaluate the legitimacy and efficiency of alternative algorithms, strategies, conceptions, and makes connections between them.

4(e) The teacher knows the standards for mathematical practice, how to engage students in the use of those practices, and how they have shaped the discipline.

Performance

4(f) The teacher connects the abstract and the concrete and asks useful questions to clarify or improve reasoning.

4(g) The teacher uses hands-on, visual, and symbolic mathematical models in all domains of mathematics.
4(h) The teacher uses mathematical argument and proof to evaluate the legitimacy and efficiency of alternative algorithms, strategies, and conceptions, and makes connections between them.

4(i) The teacher implements the standards for mathematical practice and engages students in the use of those practices.

**Standard 5: Application of Content.** The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

**Knowledge**

5(a) The teacher knows how to apply mathematics content and practice to other disciplines, including (but not limited to) engineering, science, personal finance, and business.

**Performance**

5(b) The teacher applies mathematics content and practice to other disciplines, including (but not limited to) engineering, science, personal finance, and business.

**Standard 6: Assessment.** The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision making.

**Knowledge**

6(a) The teacher knows how to assess students’ mathematical reasoning.

**Performance**

6(b) The teacher assesses students’ mathematical reasoning.

**Standard 7: Planning for Instruction.** The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

**Knowledge**

7(a) The teacher knows content and practice standards for mathematics and understands how to design instruction to help students meet those standards.

7(b) The teacher knows how to plan learning activities that help students move from their current understanding through research-based learning progressions.

**Performance**

7(c) The teacher plans and assesses instructional sequences that engage students in learning the formal structure and content of mathematics with and through mathematical practices.
Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher knows how to formulate or access questions and tasks that elicit students’ use of mathematical reasoning and problem-solving strategies.

8(b) The teacher knows a variety of instructional strategies for investigating and understanding mathematics including inquiry, discourse, and problem-solving approaches.

8(c) The teacher knows how to facilitate expression of concepts using various mathematical representations (e.g., symbolic, numeric, graphic, visual, verbal, concrete models) and precise language.

8(d) The teacher understands the appropriate use of technology in teaching and learning of mathematics (e.g., graphing calculators, dynamic geometry software, statistical software).

8(e) The teacher knows how to use student conceptions and misconceptions to guide and facilitate learning.

Performance

8(f) The teacher poses questions and tasks that elicit students’ use of mathematical reasoning and problem-solving strategies.

8(g) The teacher uses a variety of instructional strategies for investigating and understanding mathematics, including inquiry and problem-solving approaches.

8(h) The teacher facilitates exploration of concepts using various mathematical representations (e.g., symbolic, numeric, graphic, visual, verbal, concrete models) and precise language.

8(i) The teacher uses technology appropriately in the teaching and learning of (e.g., graphing calculators, dynamic geometry software, statistical software).

8(j) The teacher uses student conceptions and misconceptions to guide and facilitate learning.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the K-12 Online Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

The characteristics of online instruction can be vastly different from teaching in traditional face-to-face environments. Online schools and programs serving K-12 students should be structured to support the unique needs of students and teachers in online environments. The Online Teacher Standards are aligned to the Idaho Core Teacher Standards. These standards reflect the principles of Universal Design related to technology. (Universal design is “the design of products and environments to be usable by all people, to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation or specialized design”.)

This language was written by a committee of content experts and has been adopted verbatim.

**Standard 1: Knowledge of Online Education** - The online teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures in online instruction and creates learning experiences that take advantage of the transformative potential in online learning environments.

**Knowledge**

1(a) The online teacher understands the current standards for best practices in online teaching and learning.

1(b) The online teacher understands the role of online teaching in preparing students for the global community of the future.

1(c) The online teacher understands concepts, assumptions, debates, processes of inquiry, and ways of knowing that are central to the field of online teaching and learning.

1(d) The online teacher understands the relationship between online education and other subject areas and real life situations.

1(e) The online teacher understands the relationship between online teaching and advancing technologies.
1(f) The online teacher understands appropriate uses of technologies to promote student learning and engagement with the content.

1(g) The online teacher understands the instructional delivery continuum. (e.g., fully online to blended to face-to-face).

**Performance**

1(h) The online teacher utilizes current standards for best practices in online teaching to identify appropriate instructional processes and strategies.

1(i) The online teacher demonstrates application of communication technologies for teaching and learning (e.g., Learning Management System [LMS], Content Management System [CMS], email, discussion, desktop video conferencing, and instant messaging tools).

1(j) The online teacher demonstrates application of emerging technologies for teaching and learning (e.g., blogs, wikis, content creation tools, mobile technologies, virtual worlds).

1(k) The online teacher demonstrates application of advanced troubleshooting skills (e.g., digital asset management, firewalls, web-based applications).

1(l) The online teacher demonstrates the use of design methods and standards in course/document creation and delivery.

1(m) The online teacher demonstrates knowledge of access, equity (digital divide) and safety concerns in online environments.

**Standard 2: Knowledge of Human Development and Learning - The teacher understands how students learn and develop, and provides opportunities that support their intellectual, social, and personal development.**

2(a) **Performance**

2(b) The online teacher understands the continuum of fully online to blended learning environments and creates unique opportunities and challenges for the learner (e.g., Synchronous and Asynchronous, Individual and Group Learning, Digital Communities).

2(c) The online teacher uses communication technologies to alter learning strategies and skills (e.g., media literacy, visual literacy).

2(d) The online teacher demonstrates knowledge of motivational theories and how they are applied to online learning environments.

2(e) The online teacher constructs learning experiences that take into account students’ physical, social, emotional, moral, and cognitive development to influence learning and instructional decisions. (Physical (e.g., Repetitive Use Injuries, Back and Neck Strain); Sensory Development (e.g., Hearing, Vision, Computer Vision Syndrome, Ocular Lock); Conceptions of social space (e.g. Identity Formation, Community Formation, Autonomy); Emotional (e.g., Isolation, cyber-bullying); Moral (i.e., Enigmatic communities, Disinhibition effect, Cognitive, Creativity)).
Standard 3: Modifying Instruction for Individual Needs - The teacher understands how students differ in their approaches to learning and creates instructional opportunities that are adapted to learners with diverse needs.

Knowledge

3(a) The online teacher is familiar with legal mandates stipulated by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the Assistive Technology Act and Section 508 requirements for accessibility.

Performance

3(b) The online teacher knows how adaptive/assistive technologies are used to help people who have disabilities gain access to information that might otherwise be inaccessible.

3(c) The online teacher modifies, customizes and/or personalizes activities to address diverse learning styles, working strategies and abilities (e.g., provide multiple paths to learning objectives, differentiate instruction, strategies for non-native English speakers).

3(d) The online teacher coordinates learning experiences with adult professionals (e.g., parents, local school contacts, mentors).

Standard 4: Multiple Instructional Strategies - The online teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to develop students' critical thinking, problem solving, and performance skills.

Knowledge

4(a) The online teacher understands the techniques and applications of various online instructional strategies (e.g., discussion, student-directed learning, collaborative learning, lecture, project-based learning, forum, small group work).

4(b) The online teacher understands appropriate uses of learning and/or content management systems for student learning.

Performance

4(c) The online teacher evaluates methods for achieving learning goals and chooses various teaching strategies, materials, and technologies to meet instructional purposes and student needs. (e.g., online teacher-gathered data and student offered feedback).

4(d) The online teacher uses student-centered instructional strategies to engage students in learning. (e.g., Peer-based learning, peer coaching, authentic learning experiences, inquiry-based activities, structured but flexible learning environment, collaborative learning, discussion groups, self-directed learning, case studies, small group work, collaborative learning, and guided design)
4(e) The online teacher uses a variety of instructional tools and resources to enhance learning (e.g., LMS/CMS, computer directed and computer assisted software, digital age media).

Standard 5: Classroom Motivation and Management Skills - The teacher understands individual and group motivation and behavior and creates a learning environment that encourages positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Performance

5(a) The online teacher establishes a positive and safe climate in the classroom and participates in maintaining a healthy environment in the school or program as a whole (e.g., digital etiquette, Internet safety, Acceptable Use Policy [AUP]).

5(b) The online teacher performs management tasks (e.g., tracks student enrollments, communication logs, attendance records, etc.).

5(c) The online teacher uses effective time management strategies (e.g., timely and consistent feedback, provides course materials in a timely manner, use online tool functionality to improve instructional efficiency).

Standard 6: Communication Skills, Networking, and Community Building - The online teacher uses a variety of communication techniques including verbal, nonverbal, and media to foster inquiry, collaboration, and supportive interaction in and beyond the classroom.

Knowledge

6(a) The online teacher knows the importance of verbal (synchronous) as well as nonverbal (asynchronous) communication.

Performance

6(b) The online teacher is a thoughtful and responsive communicator.

6(c) The online teacher models effective communication strategies in conveying ideas and information and in asking questions to stimulate discussion and promote higher-order thinking (e.g., discussion board facilitation, personal communications, and web conferencing).

6(d) The online teacher demonstrates the ability to communicate effectively using a variety of mediums.

6(e) The online teacher adjusts communication in response to cultural differences (e.g., wait time and authority).

Standard 7: Instructional Planning Skills - The online teacher plans and prepares instruction based upon knowledge of subject matter, students, the community, and curriculum goals.

Performance

7(a) The online teacher clearly communicates to students stated and measurable objectives, course goals, grading criteria, course organization and expectations.
7(b) The online teacher maintains accuracy and currency of course content, incorporates internet resources into course content, and extends lesson activities.

7(c) The online teacher designs and develops subject-specific online content.

7(d) The online teacher uses multiple forms of media to design course content.

7(e) The online teacher designs course content to facilitate interaction and discussion.

7(f) The online teacher designs course content that complies with intellectual property rights and fair use standards.

**Standard 8: Assessment of Student Learning** - The online teacher understands, uses, and interprets formal and informal assessment strategies to evaluate and advance student performance and to determine program effectiveness.

**Performance**

8(a) The online teacher selects, constructs, and uses a variety of formal and informal assessment techniques (e.g., observation, portfolios of student work, online teacher-made tests, performance tasks, projects, student self-assessment, peer assessment, standardized tests, tests written in primary language, and authentic assessments) to enhance knowledge of individual students, evaluate student performance and progress, and modify teaching and learning strategies.

8(b) The online teacher enlists multiple strategies for ensuring security of online student assessments and assessment data.

**Standard 9: Professional Commitment and Responsibility** - The online teacher is a reflective practitioner who demonstrates a commitment to professional standards and is continuously engaged in purposeful mastery of the art and science of online teaching.

**Knowledge**

9(a) The online teacher understands the need for professional activity and collaboration beyond school (e.g., professional learning communities).

9(b) The online teacher knows how educational standards and curriculum align with 21st century skills.

**Performance**

9(c) The online teacher adheres to local, state, and federal laws and policies (e.g., FERPA, AUP’s).

9(d) The online teacher has participated in an online course and applies experiences as an online student to develop and implement successful strategies for online teaching environments.

9(e) The online teacher demonstrates alignment of educational standards and curriculum with 21st century technology skills.
Standard 10: Partnerships - The online teacher interacts in a professional, effective manner with colleagues, parents, and other members of the community to support students' learning and wellbeing.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHERS

All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Physical Education Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

**Standard #1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Performance**

1(a) The teacher assesses the skillful movement, physical activity, and exercise and fitness levels of students; designs developmentally appropriate instruction; and extends learning through collaboration with communities, colleagues, families and other professionals.

**Standard #2: Learning Differences.** The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

**Performance**

2(a) The teacher provides opportunities that incorporate individual differences (e.g., various physical abilities and limitations, culture, and gender) in skillful movement, physical activity, exercise and fitness to help students gain physical competence and confidence.

**Standard #3: Learning Environments.** The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.
Knowledge

3(a) The teacher knows how to help students cultivate responsible personal and social behaviors that promote positive relationships and a productive environment in physical education and physical activity settings.

3(b) The teacher knows how to engage students in learning about the use of technology operations, concepts, and applications pertinent to healthy active lifestyles (e.g., heart rate monitors, pedometers, global positioning systems, computer software, social media).

3(c) The teacher understands principles of effective management in indoor and outdoor physical education and physical activity settings.

Performance

3(d) The teacher implements strategies and activities to promote positive peer relationships (e.g., caring, mutual respect, support, safety, sportsmanship, and cooperation).

3(e) The teacher uses strategies to motivate students to participate in physical activity inside and outside the school setting.

3(f) The teacher utilizes principles of effective management in indoor and outdoor physical education and physical activity settings.

Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The teacher understands the relationship between skillful movement, physical activity, exercise, fitness, health outcomes, well-being and quality of life.

5(b) The teacher understands that daily physical activity provides opportunities for enjoyment, challenge, self-expression, and social interaction.

5(c) The teacher understands the scientific foundation of physical activity (e.g., motor behavior and development, human anatomy and physiology, exercise physiology, biomechanics, psychosocial aspects of physical activity).

5(d) The teacher knows the appropriate rules, etiquette, instructional cues, tactics (skills and strategies) and techniques for a variety of physical education activities (e.g., aquatics, sports, games, lifetime activities, dance, rhythmical activities, and outdoor/adventure activities).
5(e) The teacher understands cultural, historical, and philosophical dimensions of physical education and physical activity.

**Performance**

5(f) The teacher instructs students about the relationship between skillful movement, physical activity, fitness, health outcomes, well-being and quality of life.

5(g) The teacher instructs students in the rules, tactics, (skills, and strategies) and techniques of a variety of physical activities (e.g., aquatics, sports, games, lifelong activities, dance, rhythmical activities, and outdoor/adventure activities).

5(h) The teacher instructs students in the scientific foundation of physical activity (e.g., motor behavior and development, human anatomy and physiology, exercise philosophy, biomechanics, psychosocial aspects of physical activity).

5(i) The teacher fosters student reflection regarding cultural, historical and philosophical dimension of physical education and physical activity.

5(j) The teacher demonstrates improvement and maintains a health enhancing level of physical fitness and physical activity throughout the program.

5(k) The teacher facilitates technical demonstration and effective performance (tactics and techniques), in a variety of physical education activities (e.g., aquatics, sports, games, lifelong activities, dance, rhythmical activities, and outdoor/adventure activities).

* Without discrimination against those with disabilities, physical education teacher candidates with special needs are allowed and encouraged to utilize a variety of accommodations and/or modifications to demonstrate competent performance concepts (modified/adapted equipment, augmented communication devices, multi-media devices) and fitness (weight training programs, exercise logs).

**Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.**

**Knowledge**

6(a) The teacher understands appropriate assessment protocols sensitive to student needs.

**Performance**

6(b) The teacher demonstrates appropriate assessment protocols sensitive to student needs.

**Standard #7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.**
Knowledge

7(a) The teacher knows a variety of management routines (e.g., time transitions, environment, students/staff, equipment) and instructional strategies to maximize physical education activity time and student success.

7(b) The teacher knows how to expand the curriculum utilizing a variety of offerings, through the use of family engagement, school activities, and community resources (e.g., family fitness night, parks, golf courses, climbing walls, multi-use facility agreements, and service organizations).

Performance

7(c) The teacher applies a variety of management routines (e.g., time, transitions, environment, students/staff, equipment) and curricular/ instructional strategies to maximize physical education activity and student success.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher knows multiple curricular/instructional models (e.g., sport education, teaching personal and social responsibility, outdoor education, peer teaching, fitness and wellness education, teaching games for understanding, adventure education, movement education)

Performance

8(b) The teacher utilizes multiple curricular/instructional models (e.g., sport education, teaching personal and social responsibility, outdoor education, peer teaching, fitness and wellness education, teaching games for understanding, adventure education, movement education)

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Knowledge

9(a) The teacher knows how one’s own personal skillful movement, physical activity, exercise, and fitness competence and understands its impact on teaching and student motivation.

Performance

9(b) The teacher reflects on one’s own personal skillful movement, physical activity, exercise, and fitness competence and its impact on teaching and student motivation.
Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Knowledge

10(a) The teacher knows how to promote and advocate for healthy active schools involving physical education, physical activity before, during, and after the school day, and staff, family and community involvement.

10(b) The teacher knows how to promote and advocate for physical education and physical activity to students, staff, administrators, parents, school boards and community partners.

Performance

10(c) The teacher demonstrates a variety of strategies to promote and advocate for healthy active schools.

Standard #11: Safety - The teacher provides a safe physical education learning environment.

Knowledge

11(a) The teacher understands the inherent risks involved in physical activity.

11(b) The teacher recognizes safety considerations when planning and providing instruction.

11(c) The teacher recognizes factors that influence safety in physical activity settings (e.g., skill, fitness, developmental level of students, equipment, attire, facilities, travel, and weather).

11(d) The teacher recognizes the level of supervision required for the health and safety of students in all locations (e.g., teaching areas, locker rooms, off-campus).

11(e) The teacher understands school policies regarding the emergency action plan, student injury medical treatment, and transportation.

11(f) The teacher understands the appropriate steps when responding to safety situations.

11(g) The teacher knows cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and first aid.

Performance

11(h) The teacher documents safety issues when planning and implementing instruction to ensure a safe learning environment.

11(i) The teacher informs students of the risks associated with physical activity.

11(j) The teacher instructs students in appropriate safety procedures for physical activity and corrects inappropriate actions.
11(k) The teacher identifies and corrects potential hazards in physical education and physical activity facilities and equipment.

11(l) The teacher maintains CPR and first aid certification.
GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Exercise – A subcategory of physical activity that is planned, structured, repetitive, and purposive in the sense that the improvement or maintenance of one of more components of physical fitness is the objective. “Exercise” and “exercise training” frequently are used interchangeably and generally refer to physical activity performed during leisure time with the primary purpose of improving or maintaining physical fitness, physical performance, or health.*

Health – A human condition with physical, social and psychological dimensions, each characterized on a continuum with positive and negative poles. Positive health is associated with a capacity to enjoy life and to withstand challenges; it is not merely the absence of disease. Negative health is associated with illness, and in the extreme, with premature death.*

Health-Enhancing Physical Activity – Activity that, when added to baseline activity, produces health benefits. Brisk walking, jumping rope, dancing, playing tennis or soccer, lifting weights, climbing on playground equipment at recess, and doing yoga are all examples of health-enhancing physical activity.*

Health-Related Fitness – A type of physical fitness that includes cardiorespiratory fitness, muscular strength and endurance, body composition, flexibility, and balance.*

Moderate-Intensity Physical Activity – On an absolute scale, physical activity that is done at 3.0 to 5.9 times the intensity of rest. On a scale relative to an individual’s personal capacity, moderate-intensity physical activity is usually a 5 or 6 on a scale of 0 to 10.*

Performance-Related Fitness – Those attributes that significantly contribute to athletic performance, including aerobic endurance or power, muscle strength and power, speed of movement, and reaction time.*

Physical Activity – Any bodily movement produced by the contraction of skeletal muscle that increases energy expenditure above a basal level. In these Guidelines, physical activity generally refers to the subset of physical activity that enhances health.*

Physical Fitness – The ability to carry out daily tasks with vigor and alertness, without undue fatigue, and with ample energy to enjoy leisure-time pursuits and respond to emergencies. Physical fitness includes a number of components consisting of cardiorespiratory endurance (aerobic power), skeletal muscle endurance, skeletal muscle strength, skeletal muscle power, flexibility, balance, speed of movement, reaction time, and body composition.*

Skillful Movement – An efficient, coordinated, fluent and aesthetic goal-directed voluntary performance that consists of specific body and/or limb behaviors that have physiological and biomechanical components.

Vigorous-Intensity Physical Activity – On an absolute scale, physical activity that is done at 6.0 or more times the intensity of rest. On a scale relative to an individual’s personal capacity, vigorous-intensity physical activity is usually a 7 or 8 on a scale of 0 to 10.*

* Definitions quoted from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 2008 Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans
IDAHO FOUNDATION STANDARDS FOR SCIENCE TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Science Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

In addition to the standards listed here, science teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and at least one of the following: (1) Idaho Standards for Biology Teachers, (2) Idaho Standards for Chemistry Teachers, (3) Idaho Standards for Earth and Space Science Teachers, (4) Idaho Standards for Natural Science Teachers, (5) Idaho Standards for Physical Science Teachers, or (6) Idaho Standards for Physics Teachers.

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**Standard 1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Knowledge**

1(a) The teacher knows how students use Science and Engineering Practices and Crosscutting Concepts to develop understanding of the Disciplinary Core Ideas.

1(b) The teacher knows common misconceptions and/or partial understandings of scientific disciplinary core ideas and how they develop and affect student learning.

**Performance**

1(c) The teacher addresses common misconceptions and/or partial understandings of scientific disciplinary core ideas as they develop and affect student learning.


**Standard 2: Learning Differences.** The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.
Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands the Idaho State Science Standards within their appropriate certification, including all components.

4(b) The teacher is familiar with how history has shaped our current understanding of the nature of science and scientific processes.

4(c) The teacher understands the core ideas of their respective discipline (i.e., Disciplinary Core Ideas).

4(d) The teacher understands the interconnectedness among the science disciplines (i.e., Crosscutting Concepts).

4(e) The teacher understands the processes of science (i.e., Science and Engineering Practices).

Performance

4(f) The teacher designs and implements lessons (e.g., activities, demonstrations, laboratory and field activities) that align with Idaho State Science Standards within their appropriate certification.

4(g) The teacher uses diverse examples from history to teach how our current understanding of the nature of science and scientific processes has changed.

4(h) The teacher uses the core ideas of their respective discipline (i.e., Disciplinary Core Ideas) to design and implement lessons.

4(i) The teacher designs and implements lessons (e.g., activities, demonstrations, laboratory and field activities) that align with Idaho State Science Standards within their appropriate certification.

4(j) The teacher models and guides students in the use of the processes of science. (i.e., Science and Engineering Practices).

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The teacher knows how to apply science and engineering practices to propose, investigate, and evaluate possible solutions to problems.
Performance

5(b) The teacher designs opportunities to apply science and engineering practices to propose, investigate, and evaluate possible solutions to problems.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher understands how to implement Science and Engineering Practices in instructional planning.

8(b) The teacher understands how to use research based best practices to engage a diverse group of students in learning science (e.g., project-based learning, 5E Instruction, place-based).

8(c) The teacher understands how to apply mathematics and technology to analyze, interpret, and display scientific data.

8(d) The teacher understands technical writing as a way to communicate science concepts and processes.

Performance

8(e) The teacher implements Science and Engineering Practices in instructional planning.

8(f) The teacher uses research based practices to engage a diverse group of students in learning science (e.g., project-based learning, 5E Instruction, place-based).

8(g) The teacher designs lessons which allow students to utilize mathematics and technology to analyze, interpret, and display scientific data.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Knowledge

9(a) The teacher understands the importance of keeping current on research related to how students learn science.
9(b) The teacher understands the importance of keeping current on scientific research findings.

Performance

9(c) The teacher incorporates current research related to student learning of science into instructional design.

9(d) The teacher incorporates current scientific research findings into instructional design.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Standard 11: Safety - The science teacher demonstrates and maintains chemical safety, safety procedures, and the ethical treatment of living organisms needed in the science classroom appropriate to their area of licensure.

Knowledge

11(a) The teacher knows how to design activities that demonstrate the safe and proper techniques for the preparation, storage, dispensing, supervision/inventory, and disposal of all materials used within their subject area science instruction.

11(b) The teacher understands how to design activities that demonstrate an ability to implement emergency procedures and the maintenance of safety equipment, policies and procedures that comply with established state and/or national guidelines.

11(c) The teacher understands how to ensure safe science activities appropriate for the abilities of all students.

11(d) The teacher understands how to design activities that demonstrate ethical decision-making with respect to the treatment of all living organisms in and out of the classroom. They emphasize safe, humane, and ethical treatment of animals and comply with the legal restrictions on the collection, keeping, and use of living organisms.

11(e) The teacher knows how to evaluate a facility for compliance with safety regulations.

11(f) The teacher knows how to procure and use Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS).

Performance

11(g) The teacher designs activities that demonstrate the safe and proper techniques for the preparation, storage, dispensing, supervision/inventory, and disposal of all materials used within their subject area science instruction.

11(h) The teacher designs activities that demonstrate an ability to implement emergency procedures and the maintenance of safety equipment, policies and procedures that comply with established state and/or national guidelines.

11(i) The teacher ensures safe science activities appropriate for the abilities of all students.
11(j) The teacher designs activities that demonstrate ethical decision-making with respect to the treatment of all living organisms in and out of the classroom. They emphasize safe, humane, and ethical treatment of animals and comply with the legal restrictions on the collection, keeping, and use of living organisms.

11(k) The teacher demonstrates the ability to evaluate a facility for compliance to safety regulations.

11(l) The teacher demonstrates the ability to procure and use Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).

Standard 12: Laboratory and Field Activities - The science teacher demonstrates competence in conducting laboratory, and field activities.

Knowledge

12(a) The teacher knows a variety of laboratory and field techniques appropriate to their content area.

12(b) The teacher knows a variety of strategies to develop students’ laboratory and field skills.

Performance

12(c) The teacher engages students in a variety of laboratory and field techniques appropriate to their content area.

12(d) The teacher uses a variety of instructional strategies in laboratory and field experiences to engage students in developing their understanding of the natural world.
All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). In addition to the standards listed here, biology teachers must meet Idaho Foundation Standards for Science Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Biology Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands the major underlying theories and principles of molecular and organismal biology, including: structure and function, growth and development, and organization for matter and energy flow.

4(b) The teacher understands the major underlying theories and principles of ecosystems including: interdependent relationships; cycles of energy and matter transfer; the relationship among dynamics, function, and resilience; and social interactions and group behavior.
4(c) The teacher understands the major underlying theories and principles of heredity, including structure and function of DNA, and inheritance and variation of traits.

4(d) The teacher understands the major underlying theories and principles of biological adaptation; including evidence of common ancestry and diversity, natural selection, adaptation, and biodiversity and humans.

Performance

4(e) The teacher develops lessons based on the major underlying theories and principles of molecular and organismal biology including; structure and function, growth and development, and organization for matter and energy flow.

4(f) The teacher develops lessons based on the major underlying theories and principles of ecosystems including: interdependent relationships; cycles of energy and matter transfer; the relationship among dynamics, function, and resilience; and social interactions and group behavior.

4(g) The teacher develops lessons based on the major underlying theories and principles of heredity; including structure and function of DNA, and inheritance and variation of traits.

4(h) The teacher develops lessons based on the major underlying theories and principles of biological adaptation; including evidence of common ancestry and diversity, natural selection, adaptation, and biodiversity and humans.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.
Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR CHEMISTRY TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). In addition to the standards listed here, chemistry teachers must meet Idaho Foundation Standards for Science Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Chemistry Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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**Standard 1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Standard 2: Learning Differences.** The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

**Standard 3: Learning Environments.** The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

**Standard 4: Content Knowledge.** The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

**Knowledge**

4(a) The teacher has a broad knowledge of mathematical principles and is familiar with the connections that exist between mathematics and chemistry.

4(b) The teacher understands fundamental structures of atoms and molecules.

4(c) The teacher understands basic principles of ionic, covalent, and metallic bonding.

4(d) The teacher understands periodicity of physical and chemical properties of elements.

4(e) The teacher understands laws of conservation of matter and energy.
4(f) The teacher understands fundamentals of chemical kinetics, equilibrium and thermodynamics.
4(g) The teacher understands kinetic molecular theory and gas laws.
4(h) The teacher understands mole concept, stoichiometry, and laws of composition.
4(i) The teacher understands solutions and colligative properties.
4(j) The teacher understands acids/base chemistry.
4(k) The teacher understands fundamental oxidation-reduction chemistry.
4(l) The teacher understands fundamental organic chemistry and biochemistry.
4(m) The teacher understands applications of chemistry in personal and community health and environmental quality.
4(n) The teacher understands fundamentals of nuclear chemistry.
4(o) The teacher understands the importance of accuracy and precision in measurements.
4(p) The teacher understands the language and symbols of chemistry, including the symbols of elements and the procedures for naming compounds and determining chemical formulas.
4(q) The teacher understands the different types of chemical reactions.
4(r) The teacher understands symbolic and particulate models and how they can be used to interpret and explain macroscopic observations.

Performance
4(s) The teacher models the application of mathematical principles and the connections that exist between mathematics and chemistry.
4(t) The teacher demonstrates their knowledge of fundamental structures of atoms and molecules.
4(u) The teacher applies the basic principles of ionic, covalent, and metallic bonding.
4(v) The teacher utilizes the periodic table to predict the physical and chemical properties of elements (e.g. ionization energy, atomic radius, types of bonding).
4(w) The teacher illustrates the laws of conservation of matter and energy qualitatively and quantitatively (e.g. balancing chemical equations, enthalpy calculations).
4(x) The teacher applies the scientific principles and evidence of chemical kinetics, equilibrium and thermodynamics to the behavior of matter.
4(y) The teacher is able to use Kinetic Molecular Theory and concepts of intermolecular forces to make predictions about the macroscopic properties of gases, including both ideal and nonideal.
4(z) The teacher can apply the mole concept, stoichiometry, and laws of composition (e.g. converting moles to mass).
4(aa) The teacher applies the concepts of solution chemistry (e.g. calculate and prepare solutions at precise concentrations, colligative properties).

4(bb) The teacher applies the concepts of acids/base chemistry to predict properties and reactions.

4(cc) The teacher is able to identify oxidation-reduction reactions and justify the identification in terms of electron transfer.

4(dd) The teacher demonstrates an understanding of the fundamental ideas of organic chemistry and how they relate to biochemistry.

4(ee) The teacher relates the fundamental principles of chemistry to personal and community health and environmental quality.

4(ff) The teacher can develop models to illustrate the changes in the composition of the nucleus of the atom and the energy released during the processes of fission, fusion, and radioactive decay.

4(gg) The teacher applies accuracy and precision to their measurements and calculations.

4(hh) The teacher applies the language and symbols of chemistry, including the symbols of elements and the procedures for naming compounds and determining chemical formulas.

4(ii) The teacher categorizes and identifies a variety of chemical reaction types.

4(jj) The teacher can utilize symbolic and particulate models to interpret and explain macroscopic observations.

**Standard 5: Application of Content.** The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

**Standard 6: Assessment.** The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

**Standard 7: Planning for Instruction.** The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

**Standard 8: Instructional Strategies.** The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

**Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice.** The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.
Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). In addition to the standards listed here, earth and space science teachers must meet Idaho Foundation Standards for Science Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the earth and space science teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands the major underlying theories and principles of Earth’s place in the universe including; the universe and its stars, Earth and the solar system, the history of planet Earth, radiometric dating, and electromagnetic radiation.

4(b) The teacher understands major underlying theories and principles of Earth’s systems including; plate tectonics, Earth materials and systems, the roles of water in Earth’s surface processes, weather and climate, and biogeology.
4(c) The teacher understands the major underlying theories and principles of Earth and human activity including; natural resources, natural hazards, human impacts on Earth systems, and global climate change.

**Performance**

4(d) The teacher develops lessons based on the major underlying theories and principles of Earth’s place in the universe including; the universe and its stars, Earth and the solar system, the history of planet Earth, radiometric dating, and electromagnetic radiation.

4(e) The teacher develops lessons based on the major underlying theories and principles of Earth’s systems including; plate tectonics, Earth materials and systems, the roles of water in Earth’s surface processes, weather and climate, and biogeology.

4(f) The teacher develops lessons based on the major underlying theories and principles of Earth and human activity including; natural resources, natural hazards, human impacts on Earth systems, and global climate change.

**Standard 5: Application of Content.** The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

**Standard 6: Assessment.** The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

**Standard 7: Planning for Instruction.** The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

**Standard 8: Instructional Strategies.** The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

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**Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration.** The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR NATURAL SCIENCE TEACHERS

Teachers with natural science endorsements must meet all of the following standards:

1. *Idaho Core Teacher Standards*
2. *Idaho Foundation Standards for Science Teachers AND*
3. *Idaho Standards for Biology Teachers OR*
4. *Idaho Standards for Earth and Space Science Teachers OR*
5. *Idaho Standards for Chemistry Teachers OR*
6. *Idaho Standards for Physics Teachers*
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR PHYSICAL SCIENCE TEACHERS

Teachers with physical science endorsements must meet all of the following standards:

1. *Idaho Core Teacher Standards*
2. *Idaho Foundation Standards for Science Teachers AND*
3. *Idaho Standards for Chemistry Teachers OR*
4. *Idaho Standards for Physics Teachers*
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR PHYSICS TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). In addition to the standards listed here physics teachers must meet Idaho Foundation Standards for Science Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the physics teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands electromagnetic and gravitational interactions as well as concepts of matter and energy to formulate a coherent understanding of the natural world.

4(b) The teacher understands the major concepts and principles of the basic areas of physics, including classical and quantum mechanics, thermodynamics, waves, optics, electricity, magnetism, and nuclear physics.
4(c) The teacher knows how to apply appropriate mathematical and problem solving principles including algebra, geometry, trigonometry, calculus, and statistics in the description of the physical world and is familiar with the connections between mathematics and physics.

**Performance**

4(d) The teacher develops and applies conceptual models to describe the natural world.

4(e) The teacher tests and evaluates physical models through direct comparison with the phenomena via laboratory and field activities and demonstrations.

4(f) The teacher utilizes the appropriate mathematical principles in examining and describing models for explaining physical phenomena.

**Standard 5: Application of Content.** The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

**Standard 6: Assessment.** The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

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**Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration.** The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO FOUNDATION STANDARDS FOR SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHERS

Social Studies teachers must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards and Idaho Foundations Standards for Social Studies Teachers and one of the following: (1) Idaho Standards for Economics Teachers, (2) Idaho Standards for Geography Teachers, (3) Idaho Standards for Government and Civics Teachers, (4) Idaho Standards for History Teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Social Studies Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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*Standard #1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.*

**Knowledge**

1(a) The teacher understands the influences that contribute to intellectual, social, and personal development.

1(b) The teacher understands the impact of learner environment on student learning.

**Performance**

1(c) The teacher provides opportunities for learners to engage in civic life, politics, and government.

*Standard #2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.*

*Standard #3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.*
Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher has a broad knowledge base of the social studies and related disciplines (e.g., history, economics, geography, political science, behavioral sciences, humanities).

4(b) The teacher understands how and why various governments and societies have changed over time.

4(c) The teacher understands how and why independent and interdependent systems of trade and production develop.

4(d) The teacher understands the impact that cultures, religions, technologies, social movements, economic systems, and other factors have on civilizations, including their own.

4(e) The teacher understands the responsibilities and rights of citizens in the United States of America’s political system, and how citizens exercise those rights and participate in the system.

4(f) The teacher understands how geography affects relationships between people, and environments over time.

4(g) The teacher understands how to identify primary and secondary sources (i.e., documents, artifacts, maps, graphs, charts, tables, statistical data) in interpreting social studies concepts.

Performance

4(h) The teacher compares and contrasts various governments and cultures in terms of their diversity, commonalities, and interrelationships.

4(i) The teacher incorporates methods of inquiry and scholarly research into the curriculum.

Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The teacher incorporates current events and historical knowledge, to guide learners as they predict how people from diverse global and cultural perspectives may experience and interpret the world around them.

5(b) The teacher understands how to effectively analyze the use of primary and secondary sources in interpreting social studies concepts.
Performance

5(c) The teacher demonstrates and applies chronological historical thinking.

5(d) The teacher integrates knowledge from the social studies in order to prepare learners to live in a world with limited resources, cultural pluralism, and increasing interdependence.

5(e) The teacher uses and interprets primary and secondary sources (i.e., documents, artifacts, maps, graphs, charts, tables) when presenting social studies concepts.

Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard #7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher understands strategies for clear and coherent reading, speaking, listening, and writing within the context of social studies, consistent with approved 6-12 standards.

Performance

8(b) The teacher fosters clear and coherent learner reading, speaking, listening, and writing skills within the context of social studies, consistent with approved 6-12 standards.

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR ECONOMICS TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). In addition to the standards listed here Economics teachers must meet Idaho Foundation Standards for Social Studies teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Economics teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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Standard #3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands basic economic concepts and models (e.g., scarcity, opportunity cost, productive resources, voluntary exchange, supply and demand credit/debt, market incentives, interest rate, imports/exports).

4(b) The teacher understands economic indicators (e.g., unemployment, inflation, GDP) in assessing the health of the economy.

4(c) The teacher understands the functions and characteristics of money.
4(d) The teacher understands economic systems and the factors that influence each system (e.g., culture, values, belief systems, environmental and geographic impacts, and technology).

4(e) The teacher knows different types of economic institutions and how they differ from one another (e.g., market structures, stock markets, banking institutions, labor unions).

4(f) The teacher understands how economic institutions shaped history and influence current economic practices.

4(g) The teacher understands the principles of sound personal finance and personal investment.

4(h) The teacher understands fiscal and monetary policy.

Performance

4(i) The teacher demonstrates comprehension, analysis, and relevance of economic principles and concepts.

4(j) The teacher engages learners in the application of economic concepts in their roles as consumers, producers, and workers.

4(k) The teacher employs and promotes learner use of graphs, models, and equations to illustrate economic concepts.

4(l) The teacher illustrates how economic indicators influence historic and current policy.

4(m) The teacher provides examples of the principles of business organizations and entrepreneurship.

4(n) The teacher fosters understanding of the important role of economic systems on economic growth.

4(o) The teacher develops learner understanding of economic issues through application of cost/benefit analyses.

4(p) The teacher conveys the importance and implications of the global marketplace.

Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard #7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.
Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

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Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR GEOGRAPHY TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). In addition to the standards listed here Geography teachers must meet Idaho Foundation Standards for Social Studies teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Geography teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands the five themes of geography (movement, region, human environment interaction, location, and place) and how they are interrelated.

4(b) The teacher understands the characteristics and functions of globes, atlases, maps, map projections, aerial photographs, satellite images, global positioning systems (GPS), geographic information systems (GIS), newspapers, journals, and databases.
Performance

4(c) The teacher uses past and present events to interpret political, physical, and cultural patterns.

4(d) The teacher connects the earth’s dynamic physical systems to its impact on humans.

4(e) The teacher connects population dynamics and distribution to physical, cultural, historical, economic, and political circumstances.

4(f) The teacher connects the earth’s physical systems and varied patterns of human activity to world environmental issues.

4(g) The teacher incorporates geographic resources (e.g., globes, atlases, maps, map projections, aerial photographs, satellite images, global positioning systems (GPS), geographic information systems (GIS), newspapers, journals, and databases).

Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

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Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). In addition to the standards listed here government and civics teachers must meet Idaho Foundation Standards for Social Studies teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the American Government/Political Science teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

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Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands the relationships between civic life, politics, and government.

4(b) The teacher understands the political spectrum and factors that affect individual political views and behavior.
4(c) The teacher understands the purpose and foundations of government and constitutional principles of the United States of America’s political system.

4(d) The teacher understands the organization of local, state, federal, and tribal governments, how power has evolved, and how responsibilities are organized, distributed, shared, and limited as defined by the Constitution of the United States of America.

4(e) The teacher understands the importance of international relations (e.g., evolution of foreign policy, national interests, global perspectives, international involvements, human rights, economic impacts, environmental issues).

4(f) The teacher understands the role of elections, political parties, interest groups, media (including social), and public policy (foreign and domestic) in shaping the United States of America’s political system.

4(g) The teacher understands the civic responsibilities and rights of all individuals in the United States of America (e.g., individual and community responsibilities, participation in the political process, rights and responsibilities of non-citizens, the electoral process).

4(h) The teacher understands different forms of government found throughout the world.

Performance

4(i) The teacher assists learners in developing an understanding of citizenship and promotes learner engagement in civic life, politics, and government.

4(j) The teacher demonstrates comprehension and analysis of the foundations and principles of the United States of America political system and the organization and formation of the United States of America government.

4(k) The teacher demonstrates comprehension and analysis of United States of America foreign policy and international relations.

4(l) The teacher integrates global perspectives and current events into the study of civics and government.

4(m) The teacher engages learners in civil discourse and promotes its use in a democratic society.

Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.
Standard #7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR HISTORY TEACHERS

All teacher preparation programs are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). In addition to the standards listed here history teachers must meet Idaho Foundation Standards for Social Studies teachers. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the History teacher standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher preparation programs have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Standard #1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard #2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard #3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard #4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands themes and concepts in history (e.g., exploration, expansion, migration, immigration).

4(b) The teacher understands the political, social, cultural, and economic responses to industrialization and technological innovation.

4(c) The teacher understands how international and domestic relations impacted the development of the United States of America.
4(d) The teacher understands how significant compromises, conflicts, and events defined and continue to define the United States of America.

4(e) The teacher understands the political, social, cultural, and economic development of the United States of America.

4(f) The teacher understands the political, social, cultural, and economic development of the peoples of the world.

4(g) The teacher understands the impact of gender, race, ethnicity, religion, and national origin on history.

4(h) The teacher understands the appropriate use of primary and secondary sources (i.e., documents, artifacts, maps, graphs, charts, tables, statistical data) in interpreting social studies concepts, historical perspectives, and biases.

**Performance**

4(i) The teacher makes chronological and thematic connections between political, social, cultural, and economic concepts.

4(j) The teacher incorporates the issues of gender, race, ethnicity, religion, and national origin into the examination of history.

4(k) The teacher facilitates student inquiry regarding international relationships.

4(l) The teacher relates the role of compromises and conflicts to continuity and change across time.

4(m) The teacher demonstrates an ability to research, analyze, evaluate, and interpret historical evidence.

4(n) The teacher incorporates the appropriate use of primary and secondary sources (i.e., documents, artifacts, maps, graphs, charts, tables, statistical data) in interpreting social studies concepts, historical perspectives, and biases.

Standard #5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Standard #6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard #7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.
Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHERS

Teachers with a social studies endorsement must meet the following Idaho Standards:

1. *Idaho Core Teacher Standards AND*
2. *Foundation Social Studies Standards AND*
3. *History Standards OR*
4. *Government and Civics Standards OR*
5. *Economics Standards OR*
6. *Geography Standards*
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR TEACHER LEADERS

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Standards for teacher leaders are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher leader candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

This language was written by a committee of content experts and has been adopted verbatim.

**Standard 1: Understanding Adults as Learners to Support Professional Learning Communities** - The teacher leader understands how adults acquire and apply knowledge and uses this information to promote a culture of shared accountability for school outcomes that maximizes teacher effectiveness, promotes collaboration, enlists colleagues to be part of a leadership team, and drives continuous improvement in instruction and student learning.

**Knowledge: The teacher leader demonstrates knowledge of:**

1. **(a)** The differences in knowledge acquisition and transfer for children and adults.
2. **(b)** Stages of career development and learning for colleagues and application of the concepts of adult learning to the design and implementation of professional development.
3. **(c)** Effective use of individual interactions, structures and processes for collaborative work including networking, facilitation, team building, and conflict resolution.
4. **(d)** Effective listening, oral communication, presentation skills, and expression in written communication.
5. **(e)** Research and exemplary practice on “organizational change and innovation”.
6. **(f)** The process of development of group goals and objectives.

**Performance: The teacher leader:**

1. **(g)** Demonstrates knowledge and skills for high quality professional learning for individuals as well as groups and assesses teachers’ content knowledge and skills throughout professional learning.
2. **(h)** Improves colleagues’ acquisition and application of knowledge and skills.
1(i) Fosters mutually respectful and productive relationships among colleagues and
guides purposeful collaborative interactions, inclusive of team members’ ideas and
perspectives.

1(j) Uses effective communication skills and processes.

1(k) Demonstrates the ability to adapt to the contextual situation and make effective
decisions, demonstrates knowledge of the role of creativity, innovation, and flexibility
in the change process.

1(l) Facilitates development of a responsive culture with shared vision, values, and
responsibility and promotes team-based responsibility for assessing and advancing
the effectiveness of practice.

Standard 2: Accessing and Using Research to Improve Practice and Student Achievement - The
teacher leader understands how educational research is used to create new knowledge,
promote specific policies and practices, improve instructional practice and make inquiry a
critical component in teacher learning and school redesign; and uses this knowledge to model
and facilitate colleagues’ use of appropriate research-based strategies and data-driven action
plans.

Knowledge: The teacher leader demonstrates knowledge of:

2(a) Action research methodology.

2(b) Analysis of research data and development of a data-driven action plan that reflects
relevance and rigor.

2(c) Implementation strategies for research-based change and for dissemination of
findings for programmatic changes.

Performance: The teacher leader:

2(d) Models and facilitates relevant and targeted action research and engages colleagues
in identifying research questions, designing and conducting action research to
improve educational outcomes.

2(e) Models and facilitates analysis and application of research findings for informed
decision making to improve educational outcomes with a focus on increased
productivity, effectiveness and accountability.

2(f) Assists with application and supports dissemination of action research findings to
improve educational outcomes.

Standard 3: Promoting Professional Learning for Continuous Improvement - The teacher leader
understands the constantly evolving nature of teaching and learning, new and emerging
technologies and changing community demographics; and uses this knowledge to promote and
facilitate structured and job-embedded professional learning initiatives aligned to school
improvement goals.
Knowledge: The teacher leader demonstrates knowledge of:

3(a) The standards of high quality professional development and their relevance to improved learning.

3(b) Effective use of professional development needs assessment, designs, protocols, and evaluation tools; selection and evaluation of resources appropriate to the identified need(s) along the professional career continuum.

3(c) The role of 21st century skills and technologies in educational practice.

3(d) The role of shifting cultural demographics in educational practice.

Performance: The teacher leader:

3(e) Accurately identifies the professional development needs and opportunities for colleagues in the service of improving education.

3(f) Works with staff and staff developers to design and implement ongoing professional learning based on assessed teacher and student needs and involves colleagues in development and implementation of a coherent, systemic, and integrated approach to professional development aligned with school improvement goals.

3(g) Utilizes and facilitates the use of technology, statewide student management system, and media literacy as appropriate.

3(h) Continually assesses the effectiveness of professional development activities and adjusts appropriately.

Standard 4: Facilitating Improvements in Instruction and Student Learning - The teacher leader demonstrates a deep understanding of the teaching and learning process and uses this knowledge to advance the professional skills of colleagues by being a continuous learner, modeling reflective practice based on student results, and working collaboratively with colleagues to ensure instructional practices are aligned to a shared vision, mission and goal.

Knowledge: The teacher leader demonstrates knowledge of:

4(a) Research-based curriculum, instruction, and assessment and their alignment with desired outcomes.

4(b) The Framework for Teaching, effective observation and strategies for providing instructional feedback.

4(c) Role and use of critical reflection in improving professional practice.

Performance: The teacher leader:

4(d) Recognizes, analyzes, and works toward improving the quality of colleagues’ professional and instructional practices.

4(e) Based upon the Framework for Teaching, has proof of proficiency in recognizing effective teaching and uses effective observation techniques to identify opportunities to improve curriculum, instruction, and assessment.
4(f) Provides observational feedback that demonstrates the intent to improve curriculum, instruction, and assessment.

4(g) Develops, leads and promotes a culture of self-reflection and reflective dialogue.

**Standard 5: Using Assessments and Data for School and District Improvement** - The teacher leader is knowledgeable about current research on assessment methods, designing and/or selecting effective formative and summative assessment practices and use of assessment data to make informed decisions that improve student learning; and uses this knowledge to promote appropriate strategies that support continuous and sustainable organizational improvement.

**Knowledge: The teacher leader demonstrates knowledge of:**

5(a) Design and selection of suitable evaluation instruments and effective assessment practices for a range of purposes.

5(b) Use of formative and summative data to inform the continuous improvement process.

5(c) Analysis and interpretation of data from multiple sources.

**Performance: The teacher leader:**

5(d) Informs and facilitates colleagues’ selection or design of suitable evaluation instruments to generate data that will inform instructional improvement.

5(e) Models use of formative and summative data to inform the continuous improvement process.

5(f) Informs and facilitates colleagues’ interpretation of data and application of findings from multiple sources (e.g., standardized assessments, demographics and other).

**Standard 6: Improving Outreach and Collaboration with Families and Community** - The teacher leader understands that families, cultures and communities have a significant impact on educational processes and student achievement and uses this knowledge to promote frequent and more effective outreach with families, community members, business and community leaders and other stakeholders in the education system.

**Knowledge: The teacher leader demonstrates knowledge of:**

6(a) Child development and conditions in the home, culture and community and their influence on educational processes.

6(b) Contextual considerations of the family, school, and community and their interaction with educational processes.

6(c) Effective strategies for involvement of families and other stakeholders as part of a responsive culture.

**Performance: The teacher leader:**

6(d) Develops colleagues’ abilities to form effective relationships with families and other stakeholders.
6(e) Recognizes, responds and adapts to contextual considerations to create effective interactions among families, communities, and schools.

6(f) Improves educational outcomes by promoting effective interaction and involvement of teachers, families, and stakeholders in the educational process.

Standard 7: Advocating for Student Learning and the Profession - The teacher leader understands how educational policy is made at the local, state and national level as well as the roles of school leaders, boards of education, legislators and other stakeholders in formulating those policies; and uses this knowledge to advocate for student needs and for practices that support effective teaching and increase student learning and to serve as an individual of influence and respect within the school, community and profession.

Knowledge: The teacher leader demonstrates knowledge of:

7(a) Effective identification and interpretation of data, research findings, and exemplary practices.

7(b) Alignment of opportunities with identified needs and how to synthesize information to support a proposal for educational improvement.

7(c) Local, state and national policy decisions and their influence on instruction.

7(d) The process to impact policy and to advocate on behalf of students and the community.

Performance: The teacher leader:

7(e) Identifies and evaluates needs and opportunities.

7(f) Generates ideas to effectively address solutions/needs.

7(g) Analyzes feasibility of potential solutions and relevant policy context.

7(h) Advocates effectively and responsibly to relevant audiences for realization of opportunities.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR TEACHER LIBRARIANS

In addition to the standards listed here, teacher librarians must meet Idaho Core Teacher Standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

The school library is a classroom that serves as the instructional center of the school and needs the expertise of a professionally trained teacher librarian. The teacher librarian is an experienced classroom teacher with additional specialized training in the discipline of school librarianship.

In the rapidly evolving library landscape, teacher librarians promote and provide information literacy expertise in collaboration with the school community.

The management of a school library requires a special set of skills above and beyond those of a classroom teacher. Collection development and management, cataloging and resource sharing, technology use and maintenance, budgeting, ethical and effective information management, supervision of staff and volunteers, and providing ongoing professional development for staff are just some of the unique expectations for teacher librarians.

This document utilizes language and ideas adapted from the Idaho Standards for Library Science Teachers (2007) and the ALA/AASL Standards for Initial Preparation of School Librarians (2010).

**Standard 1: Learner Development - The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.**

**Knowledge**

1(a) The teacher librarian is an effective teacher with knowledge of learners and learning.

1(b) The teacher librarian is aware of reading and information materials in a variety of formats that support the diverse developmental, cognitive, social, emotional, and linguistic needs of K-12 students and their communities.

1(c) The teacher librarian recognizes the importance of developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Performance**

1(d) The teacher librarian develops a collection of reading and information materials in a variety of formats that support the diverse developmental, cognitive, social, emotional, and linguistic needs of K-12 students and their communities.
1(e) The teacher librarian collaborates with all members of the learning community to help meet individual learner needs.

1(f) The teacher librarian supports the staff by locating and providing resources that enable members of the learning community to become effective users of ideas and information.

1(g) The teacher librarian, independently and in collaboration with other teachers, designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard 2: Learning Differences - The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Knowledge

2(a) The teacher librarian is aware of and respects the diverse cultures within the entire learning community.

2(b) The teacher librarian is aware of reading and information materials in a variety of formats that support the diverse cultural needs of K-12 students and their communities.

2(c) The teacher librarian recognizes the importance of culturally significant learning experiences.

Performance

2(d) The teacher librarian develops a collection of reading and information materials in a variety of formats that support the diverse cultures and communities of K-12 students.

2(e) The teacher librarian works with all members of the learning community to help determine and locate appropriate materials to respect their cultural diversity.

Standard 3: Learning Environments - The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Knowledge

3(a) The teacher librarian has an understanding of evolving library spaces that provide a positive, productive learning environment, with enough time and space for all members of the learning community to access and utilize resources and technology.

3(b) The teacher librarian knows the importance of a balanced, organized, and varied library collection that supports curricula, fulfills diverse student, staff, and community needs, and brings a global perspective into the school environment.

Performance

3(c) The teacher librarian creates a positive environment to promote and model the habit of lifelong reading and learning.
3(d) The teacher librarian supports flexible, open access for library services.
3(e) The teacher librarian demonstrates the ability to develop solutions for addressing physical, social and intellectual barriers to equitable access to resources and services.
3(f) The teacher librarian facilitates access to information in a variety of formats.
3(g) The teacher librarian organizes, allocates, and manages the library resources, facilities, and materials to foster a user-friendly environment.
3(h) The teacher librarian provides a respectful, positive, and safe climate.
3(i) The teacher librarian models and facilitates the effective use of current and emerging digital tools and technology.
3(j) The teacher librarian proactively manages the unpredictable traffic flow, accounting for academic visits, drop-in traffic, and patron visits during non-instructional times, enforcing school expectations while maintaining a positive climate.

**Standard 4: Content Knowledge - The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.**

**Knowledge**

4(a) The teacher librarian understands the documents and policies that promote intellectual freedom and freedom of expression.
4(b) The teacher librarian understands the concepts of information literacy (e.g., reading, information, media, computer, and visual literacies).
4(c) The teacher librarian is familiar with a wide range of children’s, young adult, and professional literature in multiple formats and languages to support reading for information, pleasure, and lifelong learning.
4(d) The teacher librarian understands the process of cataloging and classifying library materials using professional library standards.
4(e) The teacher librarian understands the process of information retrieval and resource sharing.
4(f) The teacher librarian understands management techniques, including time management and supervision that ensure the efficient operation of the school library.
4(g) The teacher librarian understands the principles of basic budget planning and collection development (e.g., selection, processing, and discarding). The teacher librarian understands the grant application process.
4(h) The teacher librarian understands the importance of policies and procedures that support teaching and learning in school libraries.
Performance


4(j) The teacher librarian teaches and models the concepts of information literacy (e.g., reading, information, media, computer, and visual literacies).

4(k) The teacher librarian reads, recommends, and promotes a wide and diverse range of children’s and young adult literature in multiple formats that reflect cultural diversity to foster habits of creative expression and support reading for information, pleasure, and lifelong learning.

4(l) The teacher librarian catalogs and classifies library materials using professional library standards.

4(m) The teacher librarian initiates and participates in resource sharing with public, academic, and special libraries, and with networks and library consortia.

4(n) The teacher librarian organizes, allocates, and manages the library resources, facilities, time, activities, and materials to provide a broad range of opportunities for learning.

4(o) The teacher librarian administers and trains staff to ensure an effective school library program.

4(p) The teacher librarian utilizes best practices to plan and budget resources in a fiscally responsible manner.

4(q) The teacher librarian uses professional publications that provide guidance in the selection of quality materials and to maintain current awareness of the emerging in the library field.

4(r) The teacher librarian develops, implement, and evaluate policies and procedures that support teaching and learning in school libraries.

Standard 5: Application of Content - The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Knowledge

5(a) The teacher librarian understands the scope and sequence of curricula, how they interrelate, and the information resources needed to support them.

5(b) The teacher librarian has a wide range of cross-curricular interests and a broad set of interdisciplinary research skills.
Performance

5(c) The teacher librarian participates on collaborative teaching teams as a peer or leader to integrate information skills, provide access to resources, and promote effective use of technology across the curriculum.

5(d) The teacher librarian models multiple strategies for students, other teachers, and administrators to locate, evaluate, and ethically use information for specific purposes.

5(e) The teacher librarian reads, recommends, and promotes a wide and diverse range of children’s and young adult literature in multiple formats that reflect cultural diversity to foster habits of creative expression and support reading for information, pleasure, and lifelong learning.

5(f) The teacher librarian determines collection development needs based on a variety of input, including curricula, patron input, circulation statistics, and professional reading.

5(g) The teacher librarian promotes appropriate use of relevant and reliable information and instruction technologies.

Standard 6: Assessment - The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Knowledge

6(a) The teacher librarian understands many methods of assessing the library program.

6(b) The teacher librarian has an awareness of a wide variety of formative and summative assessment strategies.

Performance

6(c) The teacher librarian communicates and collaborates with students, teachers, administrators, and community members to develop a library program that aligns resources, services, and standards with the school’s mission.

6(d) The teacher librarian makes effective use of data and information to assess how the library program addresses the needs of diverse communities.

6(e) The teacher librarian collaborates with other teachers to create student assessment opportunities in a variety of formats.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction - The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher librarian understands how to develop and implement the school library mission, goals, objectives, policies, and procedures that reflect the mission, goals, and objectives of the school.
7(b) The teacher librarian understands effective principles of teaching and learning in collaborative partnership with other educators.

7(c) The teacher librarian acknowledges the importance of participating in curriculum development.

**Performance**

7(d) The teacher librarian develops and implements the school library mission, goals, objectives, policies, and procedures.

7(e) The teacher librarian identifies appropriate services, resources, and technology to meet diverse learning needs.

7(f) The teacher librarian includes a variety of reading and information materials in instruction and prompts students through questioning techniques to improve performance.

7(g) The teacher librarian collaborates with other teachers as they create, implement, and evaluate lessons, and models the use of information tools to meet the developmental and individual needs of diverse students.

7(h) The teacher librarian uses appropriate print and/or electronic instructional resources to design learning experiences.

7(i) The teacher librarian models, shares, and promotes effective principles of teaching and learning in collaborative partnership with other educators.

7(j) The teacher librarian engages in school improvement processes by offering professional development to other educators as it relates to library and information use.

**Standard 8: Instructional Strategies** - The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

**Knowledge**

8(a) The teacher librarian understands how twenty-first century literacy skills support the learning needs of the school community.

8(b) The teacher librarian recognizes that the effective use of current and emerging digital tools to locate, analyze, evaluate, and use information resources will support researching, learning, creating, and communicating in a digital society.

**Performance**

8(c) The teacher librarian designs and adapts relevant learning experiences that engage students in authentic learning through the use of digital tools and resources.

8(d) The teacher librarian stimulates critical thinking through the skillful use of questioning techniques, and guides students and staff in the selection of materials and information for reading, writing, viewing, speaking, listening, and presenting.
8(e) The teacher librarian provides opportunities to foster higher order thinking skills and metacognition.
8(f) The teacher librarian provides access to information from a variety of sources to enrich learning for students and staff.
8(g) The teacher librarian uses appropriate instructional resources in a variety of formats to design learning experiences.
8(h) The teacher librarian employs strategies to integrate multiple literacies with content curriculum.
8(i) The teacher librarian integrates the use of emerging technologies as a means for effective and creative teaching and to support K-12 students' conceptual understanding, critical thinking and creative processes.
8(j) The teacher librarian collaborates with classroom teachers to reinforce a wide variety of reading instructional strategies to ensure K-12 students are able to create meaning from text.
8(k) The teacher librarian serves all members of the learning community as facilitator, coach, guide, listener, trainer, and mentor.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice - The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Knowledge

9(a) The teacher librarian understands the documents and policies that promote intellectual freedom and freedom of expression.
9(b) The teacher librarian understands the parameters of information access, resource sharing, and ownership based on principles of intellectual freedom and copyright guidelines.
9(c) The teacher librarian understands confidentiality issues related to library records.
9(d) The teacher librarian recognizes the importance of evaluating practice for improvement of the school library program.

Performance

9(e) The teacher librarian practices the ethical principles of the profession, advocates for intellectual freedom and privacy, and promotes and models digital citizenship and responsibility.
9(f) The teacher librarian educates the school community on the ethical use of information and ideas.
9(g) The teacher librarian uses evidence-based research to collect, interpret, and use data to improve practice in school libraries.
9(h) The teacher librarian models a strong commitment to the profession by participating in professional growth and leadership opportunities through membership in library associations, attendance at professional conferences, reading professional publications, and exploring Internet resources.

9(i) The teacher librarian uses professional publications to keep current in the field and to assist in the selection of quality materials.

*Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration - The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.*

**Knowledge**

10(a) The teacher librarian understands various communication and public relations strategies.

10(b) The teacher librarian understands the role and relationship of the school library program's impact on student academic achievement within the context of current educational initiatives.

10(c) The teacher librarian recognizes the value of sharing expertise with others in the field.

**Performance**

10(d) The teacher librarian models and promotes lifelong reading for purposes of seeking information, knowledge, pleasure, and learning.

10(e) The teacher librarian collaborates with colleagues to enhance the learning environment through improved communication techniques.

10(f) The teacher librarian works with colleagues to empower students with effective communication techniques and strategies.

10(g) The teacher librarian advocates for the school library program and the library profession.

10(h) The teacher librarian participates in decision-making groups to continually improve library services.

10(i) The teacher librarian participates on collaborative teaching teams as a peer or leader to integrate information skills, provide access to resources, and promote effective use of technology across the curriculum.

10(j) The teacher librarian demonstrates the ability to establish connections with other libraries and to strengthen cooperation among library colleagues for resource sharing, networking, and facilitating access to information.

10(k) The teacher librarian articulates the role and relationship of the school library program's impact on student academic achievement within the context of current educational initiatives.
10(l) The teacher librarian identifies stakeholders within and outside the school community who impact the school library program.

10(m) The teacher librarian advocates for school library and information programs, resources, and services.

10(n) The teacher librarian seeks to share expertise with others through in-service, local conferences and other venues.
IDAHO FOUNDATION STANDARDS FOR VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS TEACHERS

All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Visual and Performing Arts Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Knowledge

2(a) The teacher understands the impact of the arts on students with exceptional needs, including those associated with disabilities, giftedness, second language acquisition, and at-risk students.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher understands the history and foundation of arts education.

4(b) The teacher understands the processes and content of the arts discipline being taught.
4(c) The teacher understands how to observe, describe, interpret, critique, and assess the arts discipline being taught.

4(d) The teacher understands the cultural, historical, and contemporary contexts surrounding works of art.

4(e) The teacher understands that the arts communicate, challenge, and influence culture and society.

4(f) The teacher understands the aesthetic purposes of the arts and that arts involve a variety of perspectives and viewpoints.

4(g) The teacher understands how to select and evaluate a range of artistic subject matter and ideas appropriate for students’ personal and/or career interests.

4(h) The teacher understands connections between art curriculum and vocational opportunities.

**Performance**

4(i) The teacher instructs, demonstrates, and models technical and expressive proficiency in the particular arts discipline being taught.

**Standard 5: Application of Content.** The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

**Knowledge**

5(a) The teacher understands the relationships between the arts and how the arts are vital to all content areas.

**Performance**

5(b) The teacher engages students in identifying relationships between the arts and other content areas.

5(c) The teacher instructs students in making observations, interpretations, and judgments about their own artworks and the works of other artists.

**Standard 6: Assessment.** The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

**Knowledge**

6(a) The teacher understands assessment strategies specific to creating, performing, and responding.

6(b) The teacher understands how arts assessments strategies (e.g., portfolio, critique, performance/presentation) specific to the arts enhance evaluation, as well as student knowledge and performance.
Performance

6(c) The teacher assesses student work specific to creating, performing, and responding.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher understands that instructional planning for the arts teacher includes acquisition and management of materials, technology, equipment, and use of physical space.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Knowledge

9(a) The teacher understands regulations regarding copyright laws.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Knowledge

10(a) The teacher understands appropriate administrative, financial, management, and organizational aspects specific to the school/district arts program and its community partners.

10(b) The teacher understands the unique relationships between the arts and their audiences.

Performance

10(c) The teacher promotes the arts for the enhancement of the school, the community, and society.

10(d) The teacher selects and creates art exhibits and performances that are appropriate for different audiences.

Standard 11: Safety and Management - The teacher creates a safe, productive physical learning environment, including management of tools, supplies, equipment, and space.
Knowledge

11(a) The teacher knows the procedures for safely handling, operating, storing, and maintaining the tools and equipment appropriate to his or her arts discipline.

11(b) The teacher understands the use and management of necessary performance and exhibit tools and equipment specific to his or her discipline.

Performance

11(c) The teacher established procedures that ensure students have the skills and knowledge necessary to accomplish tasks safely.

11(d) The teacher manages the simultaneous activities that take place daily in the arts classroom.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR MUSIC TEACHERS

All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Music Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

**Standard 1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

**Standard 2: Learning Differences.** The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

**Standard 3: Learning Environments.** The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

**Standard 4: Content Knowledge.** The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

**Performance**

4(a) The teacher is able to prepare students for musical performance, including:
- Singing, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music.
- Performing on instruments, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music.
- Reading and notating music

4(b) The teacher is able to teach students how to create music, including:
- Improvising melodies, variations, and accompaniments.
- Composing and arranging music within specified guidelines.
4(c) The teacher is able to prepare students to respond to musical works, including the following:

- Listening to, analyzing, and describing music.
- Evaluating music and music performances.

4(d) The teacher is able to prepare students to make musical connections, including:

- Understanding relationships between music, the other arts, and disciplines outside the arts.
- Understanding music in relation to history and culture.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Performance

5(a) The teacher is able to demonstrate how to apply music content knowledge in the following settings: general music, music theory, music technology, guitar, keyboard, and performing ensembles.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR THEATRE ARTS TEACHERS

All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Theatre Arts Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Knowledge

4(a) The teacher knows the history of theater as a form of entertainment and as a reflection of culture and society influence.

4(b) The teacher knows the basic history, theories, and processes of play writing, acting, and directing.

4(c) The teacher understands technical theatre/stagecraft is an essential component of theatre arts.
Performance

4(d) The teacher demonstrates proficiency in all aspects of technical theatre/stagecraft.
4(e) The teacher demonstrates proficiency in all aspects of performance.

Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Performance

5(a) The teacher demonstrates the ability to direct shows for public performance.
5(b) The teacher demonstrates the ability to employ all aspects of technical theatre/stagecraft to build a show for public performance.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Performance

9(a) Teacher demonstrates the ability to secure performance rights for various forms of productions.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Standard 11: Safety and Management - The teacher creates a safe, productive physical environment, including management of tools, supplies, equipment, and space.

Knowledge

11(a) The teacher understands how to operate safely and maintain the theatre facility.
11(b) The teacher understands how to operate safely and maintain technical theatre equipment.
11(c) The teacher understands OSHA and safety standards specific to theatre arts.
11(d) The teacher understands how to manage safely the requirements unique to theatre arts.

Performance
11(e) The teacher can operate safely and maintain the theatre facility.
11(f) The teacher can operate safely and maintain technical theatre equipment.
11(g) The teacher employs OSHA and safety standards specific to theatre arts.
11(h) The teacher can manage safely the requirements unique to theatre arts.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR VISUAL ARTS TEACHERS

All teacher candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the Visual Arts Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that are consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are candidates view the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

*Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.*

*Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.*

*Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.*

*Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.*

**Knowledge**

4(a) The teacher understands a variety of media, styles, and techniques in multiple art forms.

4(b) The teacher has knowledge of individual artists’ styles and understands the historical and contemporary movements and cultural contexts of those works.

4(c) The teacher understands the elements and principles of art and how they relate to art making and art criticism.

4(d) The teacher understands how to use the creative process (brainstorm, research, rough sketch, final product, and reflection).
4(e) The teacher understands the value of visual arts as they relate to everyday experiences.

**Performance**

4(f) The teacher applies a variety of media, styles, and techniques in multiple art forms.

4(g) The teacher instructs students in individual artist styles and understands historical and contemporary movements and cultural contexts of those works.

4(h) The teacher applies the elements and principles of art and how they relate to art making and art criticism.

4(i) The teacher demonstrates how to use the creative process (brainstorm, research, rough sketch, final product).

4(j) The teacher provides opportunities for students to collect work over time (portfolio) to reflect on their progress, and to exhibit their work.

*Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.*

*Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.*

*Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.*

*Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.*

*Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.*

*Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.*
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR WORLD LANGUAGES TEACHERS

All teacher candidates are expected to meet or exceed the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and the standards specific to their discipline area(s). Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the World Languages Teacher Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that teacher candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a teacher preparation program to use indicators in a manner that assures attainment of the standards and is consistent with its conceptual framework.

An important component of the teaching profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the candidate views the teaching profession, their content area, and/or students and their learning. Every teacher preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for candidate dispositions.

Standard 1: Learner Development. The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Knowledge

1(a) The teacher understands that the process of second language acquisition includes a variety of skills within the presentational, interpretive, and interpersonal modes of communication.

1(b) The teacher understands that cultural knowledge is essential for the development of second language acquisition.

1(c) The teacher knows the methodologies and theories specific to second language acquisition.

1(d) The teacher understands the learner development process from novice to advanced levels of language proficiency.

Performance

1(e) The teacher uses a variety of skills within the presentational, interpretive, and interpersonal modes of communication.

1(f) The teacher integrates cultural knowledge into all language development.

1(g) The teacher integrates the language theories for first and second language acquisition related to cognitive development in order to facilitate language growth.
Standard 2: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Knowledge

2(a) The teacher understands sociolinguistic factors such as gender, age, socioeconomic background, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religious beliefs that affect how individuals perceive and relate to their own culture and language and that of the second culture and language.

2(b) The teacher understands students’ individual needs and how they affect the process of second language acquisition.

Performance

2(c) The teacher incorporates learning activities that enable students to identify how their perception of the target culture(s) compares with their own.

2(d) The teacher differentiates instruction to address the diverse needs of individual students’ second language acquisition.

Standard 3: Learning Environments. The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Knowledge

3(a) The teacher understands that students thrive in a low affective filter learning environment.

3(b) The teacher knows current practices of classroom management techniques (e.g., comprehensible input and output) that successfully allow for a variety of activities that take place in a world language classroom.

Performance

3(c) The teacher implements strategies that encourage a low affective filter, such as group/pair work, focused practice, positive error correction, and classroom management techniques that use current research-based practices to facilitate group/pair interactions and maintain a positive flow of instruction.

3(d) The teacher implements current best practices of classroom management techniques (e.g., comprehensible input and output) that successfully allow for a variety of activities that take place in a world language classroom.

Standard 4: Content Knowledge. The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.
Knowledge

4(a) The teacher knows the ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Proficiency Guidelines for language skills according to interpretive, presentational, and interpersonal modes.

4(b) The teacher knows the cultural perspectives as they are reflected in the target language.

4(c) The teacher understands key linguistic structures (e.g., phonetics, morphology, semantics, syntax, pragmatics) particular to the target language.

4(d) The teacher knows the history, arts, and literature of the target culture(s).

4(e) The teacher knows the current social, political, and economic realities of the countries related to the target language.

4(f) The teacher understands how the target language and culture perceives and is perceived by other languages and cultures.

4(g) The teacher understands the stereotypes held by both the U.S. and target cultures and the impacts of those beliefs.

Performance

4(h) The teacher demonstrates advanced level performance according to interpretive, presentational, and interpersonal modes as defined by ACTFL.

4(i) The teacher integrates language skills and cultural knowledge in the target language within the presentational, interpretive, and interpersonal modes of communication.

4(j) The teacher advocates for the value and benefits of world language learning to education stakeholders.

4(k) The teacher uses the target language in presentational, interpretive, and interpersonal modes of communication and provides opportunities for the students to do so.

4(l) The teacher provides opportunities to communicate in the target language in meaningful, purposeful activities that simulate real-life situations.

4(m) The teacher systematically incorporates culture into instruction.

4(n) The teacher incorporates how the target language/culture perceives and is perceived by other languages and cultures.

4(o) The teacher demonstrates how culture and language are intrinsically connected.

4(p) The teacher demonstrates the way(s) in which key linguistic structures, including phonetics, morphology, semantics, syntax, and pragmatics, particular to the target language, compare to English communication patterns.
Standard 5: Application of Content. The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Performance

5(a) The teacher uses a variety of techniques to foster proficiency within the target language such as dialogues, songs, open-ended inquiry, non-verbal techniques, guided questions, modeling, role-playing, and storytelling.

Standard 6: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher’s and learner’s decision making.

Knowledge

6(a) The teacher knows the NCSSFL-ACTFL Can Do Statements and ACTFL Performance Descriptors according to the interpretive, interpersonal and presentational modes for a variety of skills (e.g., listening, speaking, reading, writing, signing).

Performance

6(b) The teacher uses the NCSSFL-ACTFL Can Do Statements and ACTFL Performance Descriptors according to the interpretive, interpersonal and presentational modes for a variety of skills (e.g., listening, speaking, reading, writing, signing) to create proficiency-based to create proficiency-based formative and summative assessments.

Standard 7: Planning for Instruction. The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Knowledge

7(a) The teacher understands how to incorporate the ACTFL Standards of communication, cultures, connections, comparisons, and communities into instructional planning.

7(b) The teacher knows how to design lesson plans based on ACTFL Standards, research-based practices, and a variety of proficiency guidelines that enhance student understanding of the target language and culture.

7(c) The teacher knows how to design lesson plans that incorporate the scaffolding necessary to progress from basic level skills to appropriate critical and higher order thinking skills.

7(d) The teacher understands the relationship of a variety of well-articulated, sequential, and developmentally appropriate language outcomes and language program models.

7(e) The teacher knows how to create organized and cohesive curriculum towards successful second language acquisition.
Performance

7(f) The teacher incorporates the ACTFL Standards of communication, cultures, connections, comparisons, and communities into instructional planning.

7(g) The teacher designs lesson plans based on ACTFL Standards, research-based practices, and a variety of proficiency guidelines, which enhance student understanding of the target language and culture.

7(h) The teacher designs lesson plans which incorporate the scaffolding necessary to progress from basic level skills to appropriate critical and higher order thinking skills.

7(i) The teacher creates organized and cohesive curriculum towards successful second language acquisition.

Standard 8: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Knowledge

8(a) The teacher understands the need to stay current on world languages methodologies based on emerging research in second language acquisition.

8(b) The teacher understands instructional practices that facilitate proficiency-based learning.

8(c) The teacher understands the importance of remaining current in second-language pedagogy by means of attending conferences, maintaining memberships in professional organizations, reading professional journals, and/or on-site and on-line professional development opportunities.

Performance

8(d) The teacher uses a variety of instructional strategies based on current research to enhance students’ understanding of the target language and culture.

8(e) The teacher incorporates a variety of instructional tools such as technology, local experts, and on-line resources to encourage higher-level thinking skills.

Standard 9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard 10: Leadership and Collaboration. The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.
Knowledge

10(a) The teacher knows about career and other life-enriching opportunities available to students proficient in world languages.

10(b) The teacher understands the importance of and how to provide opportunities for students and teachers to communicate with native speakers.

10(c) The teacher knows how to communicate to education stakeholders the amount of time and energy needed for students to be successful in acquiring a second language.

10(d) The teacher understands the effects of second language acquisition on first language mastery and education in general.

Performance

10(e) The teacher informs students and the broader community of career opportunities and personal enrichment that proficiency in a second language provides in the United States and beyond its borders.

10(f) The teacher encourages students to participate in community experiences related to the target culture.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

American Council of Teachers of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) - an organization for world language professionals of K-12 and higher education that sets the standards for an agreed upon set of descriptions of what individuals can do with language in terms of interpretive, interpersonal, and presentational modes for real-world situations in a spontaneous and non-rehearsed context. In addition, they provide proficiency guidelines that identify five major levels of proficiency: Distinguished, Superior, Advanced, Intermediate, and Novice. The major levels Advanced, Intermediate, and Novice are subdivided into High, Mid, and Low sublevels. The levels of the ACTFL guidelines describe the continuum of proficiency from that of the highly articulate, well-educated language user to a level of little or no functional ability. These guidelines present the levels of proficiency as ranges, and describe what an individual can and cannot do with language at each level, regardless of where, when how the language was acquired.

ACTFL Performance Descriptors – a roadmap for teaching and learning, helping teachers create performance tasks targeted to the appropriate performance range, while challenging learners to also use strategies from the next higher range. Performance is described as the ability to use language that has been learned and practiced in an instructional setting.

Comprehensible Input – language that is accessible to students by ensuring that the instructor is using the target language within the reach of the students’ comprehension

Comprehensible Output – language produced by the learner that is understandable to others, often through trial and error

Critical thinking - an intellectually disciplined process of actively and skillfully applying, analyzing, synthesizing, and or evaluating information, which in its exemplary form transcends subject matter disciplines
Education Stakeholders – students, parents, faculty, administration, and community members

Interpersonal Mode (ACTFL) – learners interact and negotiate meaning in spoken, signed, or written conversations to share information reactions, feelings, and opinions

Interpretive Mode (ACTFL) – learners understand, interpret, and analyze what is heard and read on a variety of topics

Low Affective Filter – a metaphorical filter that is caused by a student’s negative emotions which reduce the student’s ability to understand the language spoken to them

NCSSFL (National Council of State Supervisors of Foreign Languages)-ACTFL Can Do Statements – describe the specific language tasks that learners are likely to perform at various levels of proficiency

Negotiation of Meaning – a process that speakers go through to reach a clear understanding of each other

Presentational Mode (ACTFL) – Learners present information, concepts, and ideas to inform, persuade, explain, and narrate on a variety of topics using appropriate media and adapting to various audiences of listeners, readers, or viewers

Proficiency – using the target language with fluency and accuracy

Second Language – Any language that one speaks other than one’s first language - also known as L2, target language, additive language

Second Language Acquisition – The process by which people learn a second language and the scientific discipline that is devoted to understanding that process

Scaffolding - a process that enables a student to solve a problem, carry out a task, or achieve a goal which otherwise would be beyond his or her unassisted efforts including instructional, procedural, and verbal techniques

Task-Based – Task-based learning focuses on the use of authentic language through meaningful tasks, such as visiting the doctor or requesting an appointment with an instructor through email. This method encourages meaningful communication and is student-centered.
OTHER TEACHER ENDORSEMENT AREAS

Several teacher endorsement areas were not individually addressed in the current standards (refer to list below), given the small number of courses offered in these specific areas.

To be recommended for endorsement in these content areas, a candidate must meet the Idaho Core Teacher Standards and any current standards of their professional organization(s). Additionally, all teacher candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

Content/Endorsement Areas

- Humanities *
- Psychology
- Sociology

*The Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Teachers address content areas traditionally categorized as humanities requirements for students (e.g. music, drama, art, foreign language).
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Standard 2: Ethics and Professional Norms - Effective school principals act ethically and according to professional norms to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

2(a) The school principal understands ethical frameworks and perspectives.
2(b) The school principal understands the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators.
2(c) The school principal understands policies and laws related to schools and districts.
2(d) The school principal understands how to act according to and promote the professional norms of integrity, fairness, transparency, trust, collaboration, perseverance, learning, and continuous improvement.
2(e) The school principal understands the importance of placing children at the center of education and accepting responsibility for each student’s academic success and well-being.

Performance

2(f) The school principal acts ethically and professionally in personal conduct, relationships with others, decision-making, stewardship of the school’s resources, and all aspects of school leadership.
2(g) The school principal leads with interpersonal and communication skills, social-emotional insight, and understanding of all students’ and staff members’ backgrounds and cultures.
2(h) The school principal models and promotes ethical and professional behavior among teachers and staff in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators.

Standard 3: Equity and Cultural Responsiveness – School principals strive for equity of educational opportunity and culturally responsive practices to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

3(a) The school principal understands how to recognize and respect all students’ strengths, diversity, and culture as assets for teaching and learning.
3(b) The school principal understands the need for each student to have equitable access to effective teachers, learning opportunities, and academic and social support.
3(c) The school principal understands the importance of preparing students to live productively in and contribute to society.
3(d) The school principal understands how to address matters of equity and cultural responsiveness in all aspects of leadership.
3(e) The school principal understands how to ensure that all students are treated fairly, respectfully, and with an understanding of each student’s culture and context.
Performance

3(f) The school principal develops processes that employ all students’ strengths, diversity, and culture as assets for teaching and learning.

3(g) The school principal evaluates student policies that address student misconduct in a positive, fair, and unbiased manner.

3(h) The school principal acts with cultural competence and responsiveness in their interactions, decision making, and practice.

Standard 4: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment - School principals develop and support intellectually rigorous and coherent systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

4(a) The school principal understands how to implement and align coherent systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment that promote the mission, vision, and beliefs of the school, embody high expectations for student learning, align with academic standards, and are culturally responsive.

4(b) The school principal understands how to promote instructional practice that is consistent with knowledge of learning and development, effective teaching, and the needs of each student.

4(c) The school principal understands the importance of instructional practice that is intellectually challenging, authentic to student experiences, recognizes student strengths, and is differentiated and personalized.

4(d) The school principal understands how to utilize valid assessments that are consistent with knowledge of learning and development and technical standards of measurement.

4(e) The school principal understands how to ensure instruction is aligned to adopted curriculum and Idaho content standards including provisions for time and resources.

Performance

4(f) The school principal participates in aligning and focusing systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment within and across grade levels and programs to promote student academic and career success.

4(g) The school principal uses and promotes the effective use of technology in the service of teaching and learning.

4(h) The school principal uses assessment data appropriately and effectively, and within technical limitations to monitor student progress and improve instruction.

Standard 5: Community of Care and Support for Students - School principals cultivate an inclusive, caring, and supportive school community that promotes the academic success and well-being of all students.
Knowledge

5(a) The school principal understands how to build and maintain a safe, caring, and healthy school environment that meets the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of all students.

5(b) The school principal understands how to promote adult-student, peer-peer, and school-community relationships that value and support academic learning and positive social and emotional development.

5(c) The school principal understands the laws and regulations associated with special student populations.

5(d) The school principal understands various intervention strategies utilized to close achievement gaps.

5(e) The school principal understands essential components in the development and implementation of individual education programs, adhering to state and federal regulations.

Performance

5(f) The school principal participates in creating and sustaining a school environment in which each student is known, accepted and valued, trusted and respected, cared for, and encouraged to be an active and responsible member of the school community.

5(g) The school principal assists in designing coherent, responsive systems of academic and social supports, services, extracurricular activities, and accommodations to meet the range of learning needs of each student.

5(h) The school principal cultivates and reinforces student engagement in school and positive student conduct.

Standard 6: Professional Capacity of School Personnel - School principals develop the professional capacity and practice of school personnel to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

6(a) The school principal understands how to recruit, hire, support, develop, and retain effective and caring teachers and staff.

6(b) The school principal understands how to plan for and manage staff turnover and succession, providing opportunities for effective induction and mentoring of new personnel.

6(c) The school principal understands how to develop the capacity, opportunities, and support for teacher leadership and leadership from other members of the school community.

6(d) The school principal understands the importance of the personal and professional health of teachers and staff.
6(e) The school principal understands the Idaho adopted framework for teaching.
6(f) The school principal understands how to create individualized professional learning plans and encourage staff to incorporate reflective goal setting practices at the beginning of the school year.
6(g) The school principal understands how to foster continuous improvement of individual and collective instructional capacity to achieve outcomes envisioned for all students.
6(h) The school principal understands how to empower and motivate teachers and staff to the highest levels of professional practice and to continuous learning and improvement.

Performance
6(i) The school principal assists in developing teachers’ and staff members’ professional knowledge, skills, and practice through differentiated opportunities for learning and growth, guided by understanding of professional and adult learning and development.
6(j) The school principal delivers actionable feedback about instruction and other professional practice through valid, research-anchored systems of supervision and evaluation to support the development of teachers’ and staff members’ knowledge, skills, and practice.
6(k) The school principal increases their professional learning and effectiveness through reflection, study, and improvement, maintaining a healthy work-life balance.
6(l) The school principal utilizes observation and evaluation methods to supervise instructional personnel.

Standard 7: Professional Community for Teachers - School principals foster a professional community of teachers and other professional staff to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.

Knowledge
7(a) The school principal understands how to develop workplace conditions for teachers and other staff that promote effective professional development, practice, and student learning.
7(b) The school principal understands how to establish and sustain a professional culture of trust and open communication; collaboration, collective efficacy, and continuous individual and organizational learning and improvement.
7(c) The school principal understands how to promote mutual accountability among teachers and other staff for each student’s success and the effectiveness of the school as a whole.
7(d) The school principal understands how to encourage staff-initiated improvement of programs and practices.
Performance

7(e) The school principal assists in developing and supporting open, productive, caring, and trusting working relationships among teachers and staff to promote professional capacity and the improvement of practice.

7(f) The school principal designs and implements job-embedded and other opportunities for professional learning collaboratively with teachers and staff.

7(g) The school principal assists with and critiques opportunities provided for collaborative examination of practice, collegial feedback, and collective learning.

Standard 8: Meaningful Engagement of Families and Community – School principals engage families and the community in meaningful, reciprocal, and mutually beneficial ways to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

8(a) The school principal understands how to create and sustain positive, collaborative, and productive relationships with families and the community for the benefit of students.

8(b) The school principal understands and values the community’s cultural, social, and intellectual, resources to promote student learning and school improvement.

8(c) The school principal understands how to develop and provide the school as a resource for families and the community.

8(d) The school principal understands the need to advocate for the school and district and for the importance of education, student needs, and priorities to families and the community.

8(e) The school principal understands how to build and sustain productive partnerships with the community to promote school improvement and student learning.

8(f) The school principal understands how to create means for the school community to partner with families to support student learning in and out of school.

8(g) The school principal understands how to employ the community’s cultural, social, and intellectual resources to promote student learning and school improvement.

Performance

8(h) The school principal facilitates open two-way communication with families and the community about the school, students, needs, problems, and accomplishments.

8(i) The school principal demonstrates a presence in the community to understand its strengths and needs, develop productive relationships, and engage its resources for the school.

8(j) The school principal advocates publicly for the needs and priorities of students, families, and the school community.
Standard 9: Operations and Management – School principals manage school operations and resources to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

9(a) The school principal understands how to institute, manage, and monitor operations and administrative systems that promote the mission and vision of the school.

9(b) The school principal understands how to strategically manage staff resources, assigning and scheduling teachers and staff to roles and responsibilities that optimize their professional capacity to address all students’ learning needs.

9(c) The school principal understands how to seek, acquire, and manage fiscal, physical, and other resources to support curriculum, instruction, and assessment; the student learning community; professional capacity and community; and family and community engagement.

9(d) The school principal understands the need to be responsible, ethical, and accountable stewards of the school’s monetary and non-monetary resources, engaging in effective budgeting and accounting practices.

9(e) The school principal understands how to employ technology to improve the quality and efficiency of operations and management.

9(f) The school principal understands how to comply and help the school community understand local, state, and federal laws, rights, policies, and regulations so as to promote student success.

9(g) The school principal understands governance processes and internal and external politics toward achieving the school’s mission and vision.

9(h) The school principal understands laws and policies regarding school safety and prevention by creating a detailed school safety plan, which addresses potential physical and emotional threats.

9(i) The school principal understands the value of transparency regarding decision making and the allocation of resources.

9(j) The school principal understands how to institute, manage, and monitor operations and administrative systems that promote the mission and vision of the school.

9(k) The school principal understands how to protect teachers’ and other staff members’ work and learning from disruption.

9(l) The school principal understands how to develop and manage relationships with feeder and connecting schools for enrollment management and curricular and instructional articulation.

9(m) The school principal understands how to develop and manage productive relationships with the district office and school board.
9(n) The school principal understands how to develop and administer systems for fair and equitable management of conflict among students, teachers and staff, leaders, families, and community.

Performance

9(o) The school principal assists in managing staff resources, assigning and scheduling teachers and staff to roles and responsibilities that optimize their professional capacity to address each student’s learning needs.

9(p) The school principal assists in seeking, acquiring, and managing fiscal, physical, and other resources to support curriculum, instruction, and assessment; the student learning community; professional capacity and community; and family and community engagement.

9(q) The school principal utilizes technology to improve the quality and efficiency of operations and management.

9(r) The school principal assists in developing and maintaining data and communication systems to deliver actionable information for classroom and school improvement.

9(s) The school principal complies with and helps the school community understand local, state, and federal laws, rights, policies, and regulations so as to promote student success.

Standard 10: Continuous School Improvement – School principals act as agents of continuous school improvement to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

10(a) The school principal understands how to make school more effective for all students, teachers, staff, families, and the community.

10(b) The school principal understands methods of continuous improvement to achieve the vision, fulfill the mission, and promote the beliefs of the school.

10(c) The school principal understands change and change management processes.

10(d) The school principal understands a systems approach to promote coherence among improvement efforts and all aspects of school organization, programs, and services.

10(e) The school principal understands how to create and promote leadership among teachers and staff for inquiry, experimentation and innovation, and initiating and implementing improvement.

10(f) The school principal understands how to implement methods of continuous improvement to achieve the vision, fulfill the mission, and promote the beliefs of the school.

10(g) The school principal understands how to manage uncertainty, risk, competing initiatives, and politics of change.
10(h) The school principal understands how to assess and develop the capacity of staff to evaluate the value and applicability of emerging educational trends and the findings of research for the school and its improvement.

10(i) The school principal understands how to promote readiness, instill mutual commitment and accountability, and develop the knowledge, skills, and motivation to succeed in improvement.

Performance

10(j) The school principal participates in an ongoing process of evidence-based inquiry, learning, strategic goal setting, planning, implementation, and evaluation for continuous school and classroom improvement.

10(k) The school principal analyzes situationally-appropriate strategies for improvement, including transformational and incremental, adaptive approaches and attention to different phases of implementation.

10(l) The school principal assists in developing appropriate systems of data collection, management, analysis, and use, connecting as needed to the district office and external partners for support in planning, implementation, monitoring, feedback, and evaluation.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR SUPERINTENDENTS

All administrator candidates are expected to meet standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all administrator candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following standards and competencies for superintendents were developed based on widely recognized standards and are grounded in the Professional Standards for Educational Leaders (PSEL) 2015, as adopted by the National Policy Board for Educational Administration. These standards are not all-encompassing or absolute but are indicative of the requirements necessary for effective superintendents. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of higher education preparation programs to use knowledge and performance indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

In addition to the standards listed here, superintendents must also meet the Idaho Standards for School Principals.

**Standard 1: Mission, Vision, and Beliefs – Effective superintendents develop, advocate, and enact a shared mission, vision, and the beliefs for high-quality education and academic success for all students.**

**Knowledge**

1(a) The superintendent understands the principles of developing and implementing strategic plans.

**Performance**

1(b) The superintendent articulates, advocates, and cultivates beliefs that define the district’s culture and stress the imperative of child-centered education and continuous improvement.

1(c) The superintendent strategically develops, implements, and evaluates actions to achieve the vision for the district.

1(d) The superintendent reviews the district’s mission and vision and adjusts them to changing expectations and opportunities for the district, and changing needs.

1(e) The superintendent develops shared understanding of and commitment to mission, vision, and beliefs within the district and the community.

1(f) The superintendent models and pursues the district’s mission, vision, and beliefs in all aspects of leadership.

**Standard 2: Ethics and Professionalism – Effective superintendents act ethically, legally, and with fiscal responsibility in accordance with professional norms and the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators.**
Performance

2(a) The superintendent acts in accordance with and promotes the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators.

2(b) The superintendent acts ethically and professionally in personal conduct, relationships with others, decision-making, stewardship of the district’s resources, and all aspects of district leadership.

2(c) The superintendent acts in accordance with and promotes the professional norms of integrity, fairness, transparency, trust, collaboration, perseverance, learning, and continuous improvement.

Standard 3: Equity and Cultural Responsiveness – Effective superintendents strive for equity of educational opportunity and respect diversity.

Performance

3(a) The superintendent ensures that each student has equitable access to effective teachers, learning opportunities, academic and social support, and other resources necessary for success.

3(b) The superintendent recognizes and addresses implicit biases of student marginalization and low expectations associated with race, class, culture and language, and disability or special status.

3(c) The superintendent safeguards and promotes the values of democracy, individual freedom and responsibility, equity, and diversity.

Standard 4: High Expectations for Student Success – Effective superintendents set high expectations for all students and cultivate the conditions for student learning.

Performance

4(a) The superintendent implements coherent systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment that promote the mission, vision, and beliefs of the district, embody high expectations for student learning, align with academic standards, and provide a pathway to college and/or career.

4(b) The superintendent aligns and focuses systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment within and across grade levels and schools to promote student academic success.

Standard 5: High Expectations for Professional Practice – Effective superintendents develop the professional capacity and practice of school personnel to promote student success.

Performance

5(a) The superintendent recruits, hires, supports, develops, and retains effective and caring educators and staff.

5(b) The superintendent develops principals’, teachers’, and staff members’ professional knowledge, skills, and practice.
5(c) The superintendent delivers actionable feedback about instruction and other professional practice through valid, research-anchored systems of supervision and evaluation to support the development of principals’, teachers’ and staff members’ knowledge, skills, and practice.

5(d) The superintendent empowers and motivates principals, teachers, and staff to the highest levels of professional practice (individually and collectively) for continuous learning and improvement.

5(e) The superintendent develops workplace conditions for principals, teachers and other professional staff that promote effective professional development, practice, and student learning.

5(f) The superintendent empowers and entrusts principals, teachers and staff with collective responsibility for meeting the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of each student, pursuant to the mission, vision, and beliefs of the district.

5(g) The superintendent establishes and sustains a professional culture of engagement and commitment to shared vision, goals, and objectives.

5(h) The superintendent establishes mutual accountability among educators and other professional staff for each student’s success and the effectiveness of the district as a whole.

5(i) The superintendent supports open, productive, collaborative, trusting working relationships among principals, teachers, and staff to build professional capacity and improve practices.

5(j) The superintendent designs and implements job-embedded and other opportunities for professional learning collaboratively with principals, teachers, and staff.

**Standard 6: Advocacy and communications – Effective superintendents engage with others in meaningful, reciprocal, and mutually beneficial ways to promote student success.**

**Performance**

6(a) The superintendent engages in regular and open two-way communication with families, the community, and other stakeholders about the district, students, needs, problems, and accomplishments.

6(b) The superintendent creates means for the district community to partner with families to support student learning in and out of schools in the district.

6(c) The superintendent advocates for education, the district and school, principals, teachers, parents, and students to engender district support and involvement.

6(d) The superintendent works effectively in the political environment at district, local, and state levels.

6(e) The superintendent builds and sustains productive partnerships with public and private sectors to promote district improvement and student learning.
Standard 7: Operations and Management – Effective superintendents manage district operations and resources to promote system success.

Knowledge

7(a) The superintendent understands the dynamics of collective bargaining, mediation, arbitration, and contract law.

7(b) The superintendent understands the responsibility and need for planning, maintaining, and budgeting for school facilities, personnel, technology, support services, and instructional programs.

7(c) The superintendent understands the importance of educating the whole child; high expectations for professional work; ethical and equitable practice; trust and open communication; collaboration, collective efficacy, and continuous individual and organizational learning and improvement.

7(d) The superintendent understands and helps the school district community understand local, state, and federal laws, rights, policies, and regulations to promote student success.

Performance

7(e) The superintendent institutes, manages, and monitors operations and administrative systems that promote the mission and vision of the district.

7(f) The superintendent organizes time and delegates responsibilities to balance administrative/managerial, educational, and community leadership priorities.

7(g) The superintendent strategically manages human resources, assigning and scheduling staff to roles and responsibilities that optimize their professional capacity.

7(h) The superintendent is a responsible, ethical, and accountable steward of the district’s monetary and non-monetary resources, engaging in effective budgeting and accounting practices.

7(i) The superintendent develops and maintains data and communication systems for continuous improvement.

7(j) The superintendent develops and administers systems for fair and equitable management of conflict among students, principals, teachers, staff, leaders, families, and community.

7(k) The superintendent complies with local, state, and federal laws, rights, policies, and regulations to promote student success.

Standard 8: Continuous Improvement – Effective superintendents engage in a process of continuous improvement to ensure student success.
Knowledge

8(a) The superintendent understands the responsibility and need to promote strategies for continuous reassessment and improved performance for each student, school, and the district as a whole.

Performance

8(b) The superintendent uses methods of continuous improvement to achieve the vision, fulfill the mission, and promote the beliefs of the district.

8(c) The superintendent engages principals, teachers and stakeholders in an ongoing process of evidence-based inquiry, learning, strategic goal setting, planning, implementation, and evaluation for continuous district and school improvement.

8(d) The superintendent utilizes data to drive improvement.

8(e) The superintendent adopts a systems perspective and promotes coherence among improvement efforts and all aspects of district organization, programs, and services.

8(f) The superintendent manages change – uncertainty, risks, competing initiatives, and politics.

8(g) The superintendent ensures that a clearly articulated district continuous improvement plan is implemented, monitored, evaluated, and revised.

Standard 9: Governance – Effective superintendents understands how to facilitate processes and activities to establish and maintain an effective and efficient governance structure for school districts.

Knowledge

9(a) The superintendent understands and complies with applicable laws, statutes, and regulations.

9(b) The superintendent understands the role of and effectively utilizes legal counsel.

9(c) The superintendent understands the organizational complexity of school districts, drawing from systems and organizational theory.

9(d) The superintendent understands the roles and responsibilities of both the superintendent and the local governing board.

Performance

9(e) The superintendent manages governance processes and internal/external politics toward achieving the district’s mission and vision.

9(f) The superintendent develops and monitors the system for policy development and implementation in all facets of district operations.

9(g) The superintendent seeks and implements effective solutions that comply with local, state, and federal laws, rules, and policies.
9(h) The superintendent ensures transparency by complying with the requirements of Idaho open meeting and public records laws.

9(i) The superintendent develops and fosters a productive relationship with the local governing board.

9(j) The superintendent advises the local governing board on legal, ethical, and current educational issues and provide/encourage ongoing professional development.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTORS

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The following standards and competencies for special education directors were developed based on widely recognized standards and are grounded in the Professional Standards for Educational Leaders (PSEL) 2015, as adopted by the National Policy Board for Educational Administration. These standards are not all-encompassing or absolute but are indicative of the requirements necessary for effective special education directors. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of higher education preparation programs to use knowledge and performance indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

In addition to the standards listed here, special education directors must also meet Idaho Standards for School Principals.

**Standard 1: Mission, Vision, and Beliefs - Effective special education directors develop, advocate, and enact a shared mission, vision, and beliefs of high-quality education and academic success, college and career readiness, and well-being of all students.**

**Knowledge**

1(a) The special education director understands the importance of the district’s mission and vision to promote academic success and well-being of all students.

1(b) The special education director understands the beliefs of the teaching profession that promote high-expectation and student support; equity, inclusiveness, and equal access; openness, caring, and trust; and continuous improvement.

1(c) The special education director understands the importance of leading with the district’s mission, vision and beliefs.

**Performance**

1(d) The special education director evaluates and assesses the mission of the district to ensure it promotes the academic success and well-being of all students.

1(e) The special education director, in collaboration with members of the district and the community, use relevant data to develop and promote a vision for the district on the successful learning and development of all children and on instructional and organizational practices that promote such success.

1(f) The special education director articulates, advocates, and cultivates beliefs that define the district’s culture and stress the imperative of child-centered education; high expectations and student support; equity, inclusiveness, and equal access; openness, caring, and trust; and continuous improvement.
1(g) The special education director reviews the district’s mission and vision and adjusts them to changing expectations and opportunities for the district, and changing needs and situations of all students.

1(h) The special education director develops shared understanding of and commitment to the mission, vision, and beliefs within the district and the community.

1(i) The special education director models and pursues the district’s mission, vision, and beliefs in all aspects of leadership.

**Standard 2: Ethics and Professional Norms - Effective special education directors act ethically and according to professional norms to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.**

**Knowledge**

2(a) The special education director understands the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators and its importance to all student success and well-being.

**Performance**

2(b) The special education director acts ethically and professionally in personal conduct, relationships with others, decision-making, stewardship of the district’s resources, and all aspects of district leadership.

2(c) The special education director places children at the center of education and accepts responsibility for all students’ general and special education academic success and well-being.

2(d) The special education director safeguards and promotes individual freedom and responsibility, equity, equal access, community, and diversity.

2(e) The special education director provides direction for ethical and professional behavior among principals, teachers, and staff.

**Standard 3: Equity and Cultural Responsiveness – Special education directors strive for equity of educational opportunity and culturally responsive practices to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.**

**Knowledge**

3(a) The special education director understands the importance of student’s equitable access to effective teaching, equal opportunities for academic, social supports, and resources to be successful.

3(b) The special education director understands leadership roles when addressing equity and cultural responsiveness to assure district policies and procedures are positive, fair, and unbiased.

**Performance**

3(c) The special education director develops district policies to address student misconduct in a positive, fair, and unbiased manner.
3(d) The special education director monitors and addresses institutional biases of student marginalization and low expectations associated with race, class, culture and language, and disability or special status.

3(e) The special education director address matters of equity and cultural responsiveness in all aspects of leadership.

**Standard 4: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment - Special education directors develop and support intellectually rigorous and coherent systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.**

**Knowledge**

4(a) The special education director understands the multi-tiered level of support system of curriculum, instruction, assessment, and technology that embodies high expectation for all students’ learning, which is aligned with academic and behavior standards, and is culturally responsive.

4(b) The special education director understands child learning and development, effective teaching, and data utilization to increase student academic success.

4(c) The special education director understands the importance of assessment and the different types of assessment that drive instruction.

**Performance**

4(d) The special education director aligns and focuses systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment within and across grade levels, including post-secondary outcomes, to promote all students’ academic and career success.

4(e) The special education director promotes instructional practice that is consistent with knowledge of child learning and development, effective pedagogy, and the needs of all students.

4(f) The special education director ensures instructional practice that is intellectually challenging, authentic to all student experiences, recognizes student strengths, and is differentiated and personalized.

**Standard 5: Community of Care and Support for Students - Special education directors cultivate an inclusive, caring, and supportive district community that promotes the academic success and well-being of all students.**

**Knowledge**

5(a) The special education director knows how to create a safe, caring, and healthy district environment that includes all students as members of the district’s community that promotes positive learning environments.

5(b) The special education director knows how to create an environment of strong engagement and positive conduct to meet the learning needs of all students.
Performance

5(c) The special education director promotes adult-student, peer-peer, school, and district-community relationships that value and support academic learning and positive social and emotional development.

5(d) The special education director infuses the district’s learning environment with the cultures and languages of the district’s community.

Standard 6: Professional Capacity of District and School Personnel - Special education directors develop the professional capacity and practice of district personnel to promote each student’s academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

6(a) The special education director understands educational employment trends and how they impact the district’s ability to recruit, hire, support, develop, and retain effective and caring teachers and other professional staff.

6(b) The special education director knows the importance of on-going professional development to ensure opportunities for personal learning and growth, self-reflection, study, and improvement, maintaining a healthy work-life balance.

Performance

6(c) The special education director fosters continuous improvement of individual and collective instructional capacity to achieve outcomes envisioned for each student.

6(d) The special education director develops the capacity, opportunities, and support for special education teacher leadership and leadership from other members of the district community.

6(e) The special education director promotes the personal and professional health, well-being, and work-life balance of special education staff.

Standard 7: Professional Community for Teachers - Special education directors foster a professional community of teachers and other professional staff to promote each student’s academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

7(a) The special education director understands the importance of educating the whole child; high expectations for professional work; ethical and equitable practice; trust and open communication; collaboration, collective efficacy, and continuous individual and organizational learning and improvement.

7(b) The special education director knows how to promote mutual accountability between special and general education to facilitate all students’ educational success pursuant to the mission, vision, and beliefs of the district.
Performance

7(c) The special education director develops workplace conditions for special and general education staff that promote effective professional development, practice, and student learning.

7(d) The special education director empowers and entrusts special and general education staff with collective responsibility for meeting the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of each student, pursuant to the mission, vision, and beliefs of the district.

7(e) The special education director promotes mutual accountability among special and general education staff for each student’s success and the effectiveness of the district as a whole.

7(f) The special education director develops and supports open, productive, caring, and trusting working relationships among district and school leaders, teachers, and staff to promote professional capacity and the improvement of practice.

7(g) The special education director designs and implements job-embedded and other opportunities for professional learning collaboratively with district and school staff.

7(h) The special education director encourages special and general education staff-initiated improvement of programs and practices.

Standard 8: Meaningful Engagement of Families and Community – Special education directors engage families and the community in meaningful, reciprocal, and mutually beneficial ways to promote each student’s academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

8(a) The special education director understands how to facilitate open effective communication with families and communities to promote student learning and achievements.

8(b) The special education director understands how to motivate and engage families and communities as partners in increasing student growth, as measured by post-secondary success.

Performance

8(c) The special education director is approachable, accessible, and welcoming to families and members of the community.

8(d) The special education director creates and sustains positive, collaborative, and productive relationships with families and the community for the benefit of all students.

8(e) The special education director engages in regular and open two-way communication with families and the community about the district, schools, students, needs, problems, and accomplishments.
8(f) The special education director creates means for the district community to partner with families to support student learning in and out of district.

8(g) The special education director understands, values, and employs the community’s cultural, social, and intellectual resources to promote student learning and district improvement.

8(h) The special education director develops and provides the district as a resource for families and the community.

8(i) The special education director advocates for the district, the importance of education and student needs, priorities to families, and the community.

8(j) The special education director advocates publicly for the needs and priorities of students, families, and the community.

8(k) The special education director builds and sustains productive partnerships with public and private sectors to promote district improvement and student learning.

Standard 9: Operations and Management – Special education directors manage district operations and resources to promote all students’ academic success and well-being.

Knowledge

9(a) The special education director knows sources of funding (e.g., IDEA, General Funds, Medicaid) and how to create and implement budgetary systems aligned with the district’s mission and vision.

9(b) The special education director knows how to allocate and account for district’s monetary and non-monetary resources to assure each student’s needs are met.

Performance

9(c) The special education director institutes, manages, and monitors operations and administrative systems that promote the mission and vision of the district.

9(d) The special education director strategically manages staff resources, assigning and scheduling special education staff to roles and responsibilities that optimize their professional capacity to address each student’s learning needs.

9(e) The special education director is a responsible, ethical, and accountable steward of the district’s monetary and non-monetary resources, engaging in effective budgeting and accounting practices.

9(f) The special education director develops and maintains data and communication systems to deliver actionable information for classroom, school, and district improvement.

9(g) The special education director knows, complies with, and helps the district community understand local, state, and federal laws, rights, policies, and regulations so as to promote student success.
9(h) The special education director develops and administers systems for fair and equitable management of conflict among students, school and district staff, leaders, families, and community.

9(i) The special education director manages governance processes and internal and external politics toward achieving the district’s mission and vision.

**Standard 10: Continuous School and District Improvement - Special education directors act as agents of continuous school and district improvement to promote each student’s academic success and well-being.**

**Knowledge**

10(a) The special education director understands continuous improvement to engage in evidence based planning, implementation, and educational trends to improve outcomes for all students.

10(b) The special education director knows how to make schools within the district more effective for all students, teachers, staff, families, and the community.

**Performance**

10(c) The special education director uses methods of continuous improvement to achieve the vision, fulfill the mission, and promote the beliefs of the district.

10(d) The special education director assesses and develops the capacity of staff to gauge the value and applicability of emerging special education trends and the findings of research for the district and its improvement.

10(e) The special education director adopts a systems perspective and promotes coherence among improvement efforts and all aspects of district organization, programs, and services.

10(f) The special education director manages uncertainty, risk, competing initiatives, and the politics of change with courage and perseverance, providing support and encouragement, and openly communicating the need for, process for, and outcomes of improvement efforts.
All audiology candidates are expected to meet standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all audiology candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following standards and competencies for audiologists were adopted from the Council For Clinical Certification in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. (2012 Standards for the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology. These standards are not all-encompassing or absolute but are indicative of the requirements necessary for effective audiologists. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of higher education preparation programs to use knowledge and performance indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

**Standard I: Degree – Applicants for certification must have a doctoral degree. The course of study must address the knowledge and skills necessary to independently practice in the profession of audiology.**

Implementation: Verification of the graduate degree is required of the applicant before the certificate is awarded. Degree verification is accomplished by submitting (a) an application signed by the director of the graduate program, indicating the degree date, and (b) an official transcript showing that the degree has been awarded, or a letter from the university registrar verifying completion of requirements for the degree.

Individuals educated outside the United States or its territories must submit official transcripts and evaluations of their degrees and courses to verify equivalency. These evaluations are typically conducted by credential evaluation services agencies recognized by the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES). Information that must be provided is (a) confirmation that the degree earned is equivalent to a U.S. doctoral degree, (b) translation of academic coursework into the American semester hour system, and (c) indication as to which courses were completed at the graduate level.

The CFCC has the authority to determine eligibility of all applicants for certification.

**Standard II: Education Program – The graduate degree must be granted by a program accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA).**

Implementation: Applicants whose graduate degree was awarded by a U.S. institution of higher education must have graduated from a program holding CAA accreditation in audiology.

Satisfactory completion of academic coursework, clinical practicum, and knowledge and skills requirements must be verified by the signature of the program director or official designee of a CAA-accredited program or a program admitted to CAA candidacy.
Standard III: Program of Study – Applicants for certification must complete a program of study that includes academic course work and a minimum of 1,820 hours of supervised clinical practicum sufficient in depth and breadth to achieve the knowledge and skills outcomes stipulated in Standard IV. The supervision must be provided by individuals who hold the ASHA Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) in Audiology.

Implementation: The program of study must address the knowledge and skills pertinent to the field of audiology. Clinical practicum must be approved by the academic program from which the student intends to graduate. The student must maintain documentation of time spent in supervised practicum, verified by the academic program in accordance with Standard IV.

Students shall participate in practicum only after they have had sufficient preparation to qualify for such experience. Students must obtain a variety of clinical practicum experiences in different work settings and with different populations so that they can demonstrate skills across the scope of practice in audiology. Acceptable clinical practicum experience includes clinical and administrative activities directly related to patient care. Clinical practicum is defined as direct patient/client contact, consultation, record keeping, and administrative duties relevant to audiology service delivery. Time spent in clinical practicum experiences should occur throughout the graduate program.

Supervision must be sufficient to ensure the welfare of the patient and the student in accordance with the ASHA Code of Ethics. Supervision of clinical practicum must include direct observation, guidance, and feedback to permit the student to monitor, evaluate, and improve performance and to develop clinical competence. The amount of supervision must also be appropriate to the student’s level of training, education, experience, and competence.

Supervisors must hold a current ASHA CCC in the appropriate area of practice. The supervised activities must be within the scope of practice of audiology to count toward certification.

Standard IV: Knowledge and Skills Outcomes – Applicants for certification must have acquired knowledge and developed skills in six areas: foundations of practice, prevention/identification, assessment, (re)habilitation, advocacy/consultation, and education/research/administration.

Implementation: This standard distinguishes between acquisition of knowledge for Standards IV-A.1–21 and IV-C.1, and the acquisition of knowledge and skills for Standards IV-A.22–29, IV-B, IV-C.2–11, IV-D, IV-E, and IV-F. The applicant must submit a completed application for certification signed by the academic program director verifying successful completion of all knowledge and skills in all six areas of Standard IV. The applicant must maintain copies of transcripts, and documentation of academic course work and clinical practicum.

Standard IV-A: Foundations of Practice

The applicant must have knowledge of:

A1. Embryology and development of the auditory and vestibular systems, anatomy and physiology, neuroanatomy and neurophysiology, and pathophysiology

A2. Genetics and associated syndromes related to hearing and balance

A3. Normal aspects of auditory physiology and behavior over the life span
A4. Normal development of speech and language
A5. Language and speech characteristics and their development across the life span
A6. Phonologic, morphologic, syntactic, and pragmatic aspects of human communication associated with hearing impairment
A7. Effects of hearing loss on communication and educational, vocational, social, and psychological functioning
A8. Effects of pharmacologic and teratogenic agents on the auditory and vestibular systems
A9. Patient characteristics (e.g., age, demographics, cultural and linguistic diversity, medical history and status, cognitive status, and physical and sensory abilities) and how they relate to clinical services
A10. Pathologies related to hearing and balance and their medical diagnosis and treatment
A11. Principles, methods, and applications of psychometrics
A12. Principles, methods, and applications of psychoacoustics
A13. Instrumentation and bioelectrical hazards
A14. Physical characteristics and measurement of electric and other nonacoustic stimuli
A15. Assistive technology
A16. Effects of cultural diversity and family systems on professional practice
A17. American Sign Language and other visual communication systems
A18. Principles and practices of research, including experimental design, statistical methods, and application to clinical populations
A19. Legal and ethical practices (e.g., standards for professional conduct, patient rights, credentialing, and legislative and regulatory mandates)
A20. Health care and educational delivery systems
A21. Universal precautions and infectious/contagious diseases

The applicant must have knowledge and skills in:

A22. Oral and written forms of communication
A23. Principles, methods, and applications of acoustics (e.g., basic parameters of sound, principles of acoustics as related to speech sounds, sound/noise measurement and analysis, and calibration of audiometric equipment), as applicable to:
   a. occupational and industrial environments
   b. community noise
   c. classroom and other educational environments
   d. workplace environments
A24. The use of instrumentation according to manufacturer's specifications and recommendations

A25. Determining whether instrumentation is in calibration according to accepted standards

A26. Principles and applications of counseling

A27. Use of interpreters and translators for both spoken and visual communication

A28. Management and business practices, including but not limited to cost analysis, budgeting, coding and reimbursement, and patient management

A29. Consultation with professionals in related and/or allied service areas

**Standard IV-B: Prevention and Identification**

*The applicant must have the knowledge and skills necessary to:*

B1. Implement activities that prevent and identify dysfunction in hearing and communication, balance, and other auditory-related systems

B2. Promote hearing wellness, as well as the prevention of hearing loss and protection of hearing function by designing, implementing, and coordinating universal newborn hearing screening, school screening, community hearing, and occupational conservation and identification programs

B3. Screen individuals for hearing impairment and disability/handicap using clinically appropriate, culturally sensitive, and age- and site-specific screening measures

B4. Screen individuals for speech and language impairments and other factors affecting communication function using clinically appropriate, culturally sensitive, and age- and site-specific screening measures

B5. Educate individuals on potential causes and effects of vestibular loss

B6. Identify individuals at risk for balance problems and falls who require further vestibular assessment and/or treatment or referral for other professional services

**Standard IV-C: Assessment**

*The applicant must have knowledge of:*

C1. Measuring and interpreting sensory and motor evoked potentials, electromyography, and other electrodiagnostic tests for purposes of neurophysiologic intraoperative monitoring and cranial nerve assessment

*The applicant must have knowledge and skills in:*

C2. Assessing individuals with suspected disorders of hearing, communication, balance, and related systems

C3. Evaluating information from appropriate sources and obtaining a case history to facilitate assessment planning
C4. Performing otoscopy for appropriate audiological assessment/management decisions, determining the need for cerumen removal, and providing a basis for medical referral

C5. Conducting and interpreting behavioral and/or electrophysiologic methods to assess hearing thresholds and auditory neural function

C6. Conducting and interpreting behavioral and/or electrophysiologic methods to assess balance and related systems

C7. Conducting and interpreting otoacoustic emissions and acoustic immittance (reflexes)

C8. Evaluating auditory-related processing disorders

C9. Evaluating functional use of hearing

C10. Preparing a report, including interpreting data, summarizing findings, generating recommendations, and developing an audiologic treatment/management plan

C11. Referring to other professions, agencies, and/or consumer organizations

Standard IV-D: Intervention (Treatment)

The applicant must have knowledge and skills in:

D1. The provision of intervention services (treatment) to individuals with hearing loss, balance disorders, and other auditory dysfunction that compromises receptive and expressive communication

D2. Development of a culturally appropriate, audiologic rehabilitative management plan that includes, when appropriate, the following:
   a. Evaluation, selection, verification, validation, and dispensing of hearing aids, sensory aids, hearing assistive devices, alerting systems, and captioning devices, and educating the consumer and family/caregivers in the use of and adjustment to such technology
   b. Determination of candidacy of persons with hearing loss for cochlear implants and other implantable sensory devices and provision of fitting, mapping, and audiologic rehabilitation to optimize device use
   c. Counseling relating to psychosocial aspects of hearing loss and other auditory dysfunction, and processes to enhance communication competence
   d. Provision of comprehensive audiologic treatment for persons with hearing loss or other auditory dysfunction, including but not exclusive to communication strategies, auditory training, speech reading, and visual communication systems

D3. Determination of candidacy for vestibular and balance rehabilitation therapy to persons with vestibular and balance impairments

D4. Treatment and audiologic management of tinnitus
D5. Provision of treatment services for infants and children with hearing loss; collaboration/consultation with early interventionists, school based professionals, and other service providers regarding development of intervention plans (i.e., individualized education programs and/or individualized family service plans)

D6. Management of the selection, purchase, installation, and evaluation of large-area amplification systems

D7. Evaluation of the efficacy of intervention (treatment) services

**Standard IV-E: Advocacy/Consultation**

*The applicant must have knowledge and skills in:*

E1. Educating and advocating for communication needs of all individuals that may include advocating for the programmatic needs, rights, and funding of services for those with hearing loss, other auditory dysfunction, or vestibular disorders

E2. Consulting about accessibility for persons with hearing loss and other auditory dysfunction in public and private buildings, programs, and services

E3. Identifying underserved populations and promoting access to care

**Standard IV-F: Education/Research/Administration**

*The applicant must have knowledge and skills in:*

F1. Measuring functional outcomes, consumer satisfaction, efficacy, effectiveness, and efficiency of practices and programs to maintain and improve the quality of audiologic services

F2. Applying research findings in the provision of patient care (evidence-based practice)

F3. Critically evaluating and appropriately implementing new techniques and technologies supported by research-based evidence

F4. Administering clinical programs and providing supervision of professionals as well as support personnel

F5. Identifying internal programmatic needs and developing new programs

F6. Maintaining or establishing links with external programs, including but not limited to education programs, government programs, and philanthropic agencies

**Standard V: Assessment – Applicants for certification must demonstrate successful achievement of the knowledge and skills delineated in Standard IV by means of both formative and summative assessments.**
Standard V-A: Formative Assessment – The applicant must meet the education program’s requirements for demonstrating satisfactory performance through ongoing formative assessment of knowledge and skills.

Implementation: Applicants and program faculties should use the ongoing assessment to help the applicant achieve requisite knowledge and skills. Thus, assessments should be followed by implementation strategies for acquisition of knowledge and skills.

Standard V-B: Summative Assessment – The applicant must pass the national examination adopted by ASHA for purposes of certification in audiology.

Implementation: Results of the Praxis Examination in Audiology must be submitted directly to ASHA from ETS. The certification standards require that a passing exam score must be earned no earlier than 5 years prior to the submission of the application and no later than 2 years following receipt of the application. If the exam is not successfully passed and reported within the 2-year application period, the applicant’s certification file will be closed. If the exam is passed or reported at a later date, the individual will be required to reapply for certification under the standards in effect at that time.

Standard VI: Maintenance of Certification – Demonstration of continued professional development is mandated for maintenance of the Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) in Audiology. The renewal period will be three (3) years. This standard will apply to all certificate holders, regardless of the date of initial certification.

Implementation: Once certification is awarded, maintenance of that certification is dependent upon accumulation of the requisite professional development hours every three years. Payment of annual dues and/or certification fees is also a requirement of certification maintenance. A certificate holder whose dues and/or fees are in arrears on August 31, will have allowed their certification to expire on that date.

Individuals who hold the CCC in Audiology must accumulate 30 contact hours of professional development over the 3-year period and must submit a compliance form in order to meet this standard. Individuals will be subject to random review of their professional development activities.

If certification maintenance requirements are not met, certification will lapse. Reinstatement of certification will be required, and certification reinstatement standards in effect at the time of submission of the reinstatement application must be met.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL COUNSELORS

The purpose of the standards for school counselors is to promote, enhance, and maximize the learning process. To that end, the school counselor standards facilitate school counselor performance in three broad domains: Academic Development, Career Development, and Personal/Social Development. The domains follow the 2012 American School Counselor Association (ASCA) model and are embedded within each standard as described below. All school counselor candidates are expected to meet the Idaho Standards for School Counselors as endorsed by their institution. Additionally, all school counselor candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following knowledge and performance statements for the School Counselors Standards are widely recognized, though not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that School Counselors have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of preparation programs to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

**Standard 1: School Counseling Programs - School counselors should possess the knowledge, abilities, skills and attitudes necessary to plan, organize, implement and evaluate a comprehensive, developmental, results-based school counseling program.**

**Knowledge - School counselors should articulate and demonstrate an understanding of:**

1(a) The organizational structure and governance of the American educational system, as well as cultural, political and social influences on current educational practices.

1(b) The organizational structure and components of an effective school counseling program.

1(c) Barriers to student learning and use of advocacy and data-driven school counseling practices.

1(d) Leadership principles and theories.

1(e) Individual counseling, group counseling and classroom instruction.

1(f) Collaborations with stakeholders such as parents and guardians, teachers, administrators and community leaders.

1(g) Principles of school counseling, including prevention, intervention, wellness, education, multiculturalism, and advocacy.

1(h) Assessments relevant to K-12 education.

**Performance - An effective school counselor is able to accomplish measurable objectives demonstrating the following:**

1(i) Planning, organizing, implementing and evaluating a school counseling program.
1(j) Applying the school counseling themes of leadership, advocacy, collaboration and systemic change.

1(k) Using technology effectively and efficiently to plan, organize, implement and evaluate the comprehensive school counseling program.

1(l) Multicultural, ethical and professional competencies.

1(m) Identification and expression of professional and personal qualities and skills of effective leaders.

1(n) Advocacy for student success.

1(o) Collaboration with parents, teachers, administrators, community leaders and other stakeholders to promote and support student success.

**Standard 2: Foundations - School counselors should possess the knowledge, abilities, skills and attitudes necessary to establish the foundations of a school counseling program.**

**Knowledge - School counselors should articulate and demonstrate an understanding of:**

2(a) Beliefs and vision of the school counseling program that align with current school improvement and student success initiatives at the school, district and state level.

2(b) Educational systems, philosophies and theories, and current trends in education, including federal and state legislation.

2(c) Learning theories.

2(d) History and purpose of school counseling, including traditional and transformed roles of school counselors.

2(e) Human development theories and developmental issues affecting student success.

2(f) District, state, and national student standards and competencies.

2(g) Legal and ethical standards and principles of the school counseling profession and educational systems, including state, district and building policies.

2(h) The three domains of academic achievement, career planning and personal/social development.

**Performance - An effective school counselor is able to accomplish measurable objectives demonstrating the following:**

2(i) Development of the beliefs, vision, and mission of the school counseling program that align with current school improvement and student success initiatives at the school, district and state level.

2(j) The use of student standards, such as district, state, or national standards, to drive the implementation of a comprehensive school counseling program.

2(k) Application of the ethical standards and principles of the school counseling profession and adhering to the legal aspects of the role of the school counselor and the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators.
2(l) Responsible advocacy for school board policy, as well as local, state and federal statutory requirements in students’ best interests.

2(m) Practices within the ethical and statutory limits of confidentiality.

Standard 3: Management - School counselors should possess the knowledge, abilities, skills and attitudes necessary to manage a school counseling program.

Knowledge - School counselors should articulate and demonstrate an understanding of:

3(a) Leadership principles, including sources of power and authority, and formal and informal leadership.

3(b) Organization theory to facilitate advocacy, collaboration and systemic change.

3(c) Presentation skills for programs such as teacher in-services, parent workshops and presentation of results reports to school boards.

3(d) Time management, including long- and short-term management, using tools such as schedules and calendars.

3(e) Data-driven decision making.

3(f) Current and emerging technologies such as use of the Internet, Web-based resources and information management systems.

Performance - An effective school counselor is able to accomplish measurable objectives demonstrating the following:

3(g) Self-evaluation of his/her own competencies in order to formulate an appropriate professional development plan.

3(h) The ability to access or collect relevant data to monitor and improve student behavior and achievement.

3(i) The capability to create calendars to ensure the effective implementation of the school counseling program.

3(j) Coordination of activities that establish, maintain and enhance the school counseling program.

Standard 4: Delivery - School counselors should possess the knowledge, abilities, skills and attitudes necessary to deliver a school counseling program.

Knowledge - School counselors should articulate and demonstrate an understanding of:

4(a) The distinction between direct and indirect student services.

4(b) Counseling theories and techniques in different settings, such as individual planning, group counseling and classroom lessons.

4(c) Classroom management.

4(d) Principles of career and post-secondary planning.
4(e) Principles of working with various student populations based on characteristics, such as ethnic and racial background, English language proficiency, special needs (IEP and 504 Plans), religion, gender and income.

4(f) Responsive services (counseling and crisis response) including grief and bereavement.

4(g) How diagnoses and/or medication affects the personal, social, and academic functioning of students.

Performance - An effective school counselor is able to accomplish measurable objectives demonstrating the following:

4(h) Creation and presentation of a developmental school counseling curriculum addressing all students’ needs based on student data.

4(i) Classroom management and instructional skills.

4(j) Encouragement of staff involvement to ensure the effective implementation of the school counseling curriculum.

4(k) The ability to build effective, high-quality student support programs.

4(l) Development of strategies to implement individual student planning, which may include strategies for appraisal, advisement, goal-setting, decision-making, social skills, transition or post-secondary planning.

4(m) The capability to provide responsive services, such as individual/small-group counseling and crisis response.

4(n) Participation as member of the crisis team providing assistance to the school and community in a crisis.

4(o) Development of a list of community agencies and service providers for student referrals and understanding how to make referrals to appropriate professionals when necessary.

4(p) Partnerships with parents, teachers, administrators and education stakeholders for student achievement and success.

4(q) The ability to conduct in-service training or workshops for other stakeholders to share school counseling expertise.

4(r) Understanding and knowledge regarding how to provide supervision for school counseling interns consistent with the principles.

4(s) Skills to critically examine the connections between social, familial, emotional, and behavioral problems and academic achievement.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL NURSES

The following knowledge and performance statements for the School Nurse Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that school nurse candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a school nurse preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards. Additionally, all school nurse candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

An important component of the school nursing profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the School Nurse candidate views their profession, their content area, and/or students and their health and learning. Every School Nurse preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for School Nurse candidate dispositions.

This language was written by a committee of content experts and has been adopted verbatim.

**Standard 1: Quality Assurance - The school nurse understands how to systematically evaluate the quality and effectiveness of school nursing practice.**

**Knowledge**

1(a) The school nurse understands the professional, state, and local policies, procedures, and practice guidelines that impact the effectiveness of school nursing practice within the school setting.

1(b) The school nurse understands that school nursing practice must fall within the boundaries of scope of practice as defined by the Idaho Board of Nursing.

1(c) The school nurse understands how to access research and interpret data applicable to the school setting.

**Performance**

1(d) The school nurse conducts ongoing evaluations of school nursing practice.

1(e) The school nurse identifies the policies, procedures, and practice guidelines applicable to school nursing practice.

1(f) The school nurse uses research and data to monitor quality and effectiveness of school nursing practice.

**Standard 2: Professional Development - The school nurse is a reflective practitioner who improves clinical skills through continual self-evaluation and ongoing education.**

**Knowledge**

2(a) The school nurse understands how to improve knowledge and competency in school nursing practice.

2(b) The school nurse knows how to self-assess professional nursing practice.
2(c) The school nurse knows how to access professional resources that support school nursing practice.

2(d) The school nurse knows about the professional organizations that support the nursing practice.

Performance

2(e) The school nurse participates in professional development related to current clinical knowledge and professional issues.

2(f) The school nurse seeks and acts on constructive feedback regarding professional development.

2(g) The school nurse pursues professional development as related to professional and program goals.

Standard 3: Communication - The school nurse is skilled in a variety of communication techniques (i.e., verbal and nonverbal).

Knowledge

3(a) The school nurse understands the importance of effective communication with school staff, families, students, the community, and other service providers.

3(b) The school nurse understands problem solving and counseling techniques and crisis intervention strategies for individuals and groups.

3(c) The school nurse knows how to document appropriately.

Performance

3(d) The school nurse communicates effectively and with sensitivity to community values in a variety of settings (e.g., classroom presentations, public forums, individual interactions, written communication, and documentation).

Standard 4: Collaboration - The school nurse understands how to interact collaboratively with and contribute to the professional development of peers and school personnel.

Knowledge

4(a) The school nurse understands the principles of collaboration in sharing knowledge and skills with other professionals and staff.

Performance

4(b) The school nurse works collaboratively with nursing colleagues and school personnel to enhance professional practice and to contribute to a supportive, healthy school environment.

Standard 5: Ethics and Advocacy - The school nurse makes decisions and takes actions on behalf of students and families in an ethical, professional manner.
Knowledge

5(a) The school nurse understands the code of ethics adopted by the American Nurses Association and the National Association of School Nurses and the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators.

5(b) The school nurse knows how to advocate for students and families.

Performance

5(c) The school nurse performs duties in accord with the legal, regulatory, and ethical parameters of health and education.

5(d) The school nurse acts as an advocate for students and families.

5(e) The school nurse delivers care in a manner that is sensitive to student diversity.

Standard 6: Health and Wellness Education - The school nurse assists students, families, the school staff, and the community to achieve optimal levels of wellness through appropriately designed and delivered health education.

Knowledge

6(a) The school nurse understands developmentally appropriate health education.

6(b) The school nurse understands the influence of family dynamics on student achievement and wellness.

6(c) The school nurse understands that health instruction within the classroom is based on learning theory.

6(d) The school nurse understands child, adolescent, family, and community health issues.

6(e) The school nurse understands how health issues impact student learning.

Performance

6(f) The school nurse assists individual students in acquiring appropriate skills based on age and developmental levels to advocate for themselves.

6(g) The school nurse participates in the assessment of health education and health instructional needs of the school community.

6(h) The school nurse provides health instruction within the classroom based on learning theory, as appropriate to student developmental levels and school needs.

6(i) The school nurse provides individual and group health instruction and counseling for and with students, families, and staff.

6(j) The school nurse acts as a resource person to school staff, students, and families regarding health education and health community resources.

6(k) The school nurse assists students in changing high-risk behaviors through education and referral.

Standard 7: Program Management - The school nurse is a manager of school health services.
Knowledge

7(a) The school nurse understands the principles of school nursing management.

7(b) The school nurse understands that program delivery is influenced by a variety of factors (e.g., cost, program diversity, staffing, and laws).

7(c) The school nurse knows how to teach, supervise, evaluate, and delegate to Unlicensed Assistive Personnel.

7(d) The school nurse knows how to identify and secure appropriate and available services and resources in the community.

Performance

7(e) The school nurse demonstrates the ability to organize, prioritize, and make independent nursing decisions.

7(f) The school nurse demonstrates the ability to plan and budget resources in a fiscally responsible manner.

7(g) The school nurse demonstrates leadership skills to utilize human resources efficiently.

7(h) The school nurse teaches, supervises, evaluates, and delegates to Unlicensed Assistive Personnel.

7(i) The school nurse uses appropriate technology in managing school health services.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS

The following knowledge and performance statements for the School Psychologist Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that School Psychologist candidates have met the standards. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of a school psychologist preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards. Additionally, all school psychologist candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

An important component of the School Psychology profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how the School Psychologist candidate views their profession, their content area, and/or students and their health and learning. Every School Psychology preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for School Psychologist candidate dispositions.

Standard 1: Assessment, Data-Based Decision Making, and Accountability - The school psychologist understands varied models and methods of assessment that yield information useful in understanding problems, identifying strengths and needs, measuring progress as it relates to educational and social emotional, and behavioral outcomes of students with respect for cultural and linguistic diversity.

Knowledge

1(a) The school psychologist understands traditional standardized norm-referenced assessment instruments.

1(b) The school psychologist understands alternative assessment approaches (e.g., curriculum-based, portfolio, ecological).

1(c) The school psychologist knows understands non-test assessment procedures (e.g., observation, diagnostic interviewing, reviewing records).

1(d) The school psychologist understands the application of a multi-tiered system of support for educational and social, emotional, and behavioral needs of students.

1(e) The school psychologist understands correct interpretation and application of assessment data.

1(f) The school psychologist understands the use of assessment data as it applies to the process of transitions at Pre-K through age 21 development levels.

Performance

1(g) The school psychologist uses various models and methods of assessment as part of a systematic process to collect data and other information.

1(h) The school psychologist translates assessment results into the design, implementation, and accountability of empirically supported instruction,
interventions, and educational and mental health services effective for particular situations, contexts, and diverse characteristics.

1(i) The school psychologist uses assessment and data collection methods to evaluate the effectiveness of interventions and recommendations.

1(j) The school psychologist interprets and synthesizes assessment information from a variety of sources.

**Standard 2: Consultation and Collaboration** - the school psychologist understands effective collaborative and consultation approaches to promote the learning and success of students.

**Knowledge**

2(a) The school psychologist understands varied methods of consultation in psychology and education (e.g. behavioral, problem-solving, mental health, organizational, instructional) applicable to individuals, families, groups, and systems.

2(b) The school psychologist understands methods for effective consultation and collaboration that link home, school, and community settings.

2(c) The school psychologist understands factors necessary for effective interpersonal communication.

2(d) The school psychologist understands how to communicate effectively in oral and written form.

**Performance**

2(e) The school psychologist uses effective consultation and collaboration methods to develop a climate in which consensus can be achieved to promote positive student outcomes.

2(f) The school psychologist consults and collaborates effectively in the planning, problem solving, and decision-making processes to design, implement, and evaluate educational and mental health services with respect for cultural and linguistic diversity.

2(g) The school psychologist displays positive interpersonal skills by listening, adapting, addressing ambiguity, and being professional in difficult situations.

2(h) The school psychologist effectively communicates information in oral and written form for diverse audiences, for example, parents, teachers, other school personnel, policy makers, community leaders, and/or others.

**Standard 3: Effective Instruction and Development of Cognitive and Academic Skills** - The school psychologist understands learning theories, cognitive strategies and their application to the development of effective instruction, while considering biological, cultural, linguistic, and social influences on educational progress.
Knowledge

3(a) The school psychologist understands human learning, cognition, and developmental processes with respect for cultural and linguistic diversity.

3(b) The school psychologist understands empirically supported methods in psychology and education to promote cognitive and academic skills, including those related to needs of students with diverse backgrounds and characteristics.

3(c) The school psychologist understands evidence-based curriculum and instructional strategies that facilitate students’ academic achievement.

3(d) The school psychologist understands how to develop appropriate educational goals for students with different ability levels and cultural/social backgrounds.

3(e) The school psychologist understands techniques assess learning and instruction for using data in decision making, planning, and progress monitoring.

Performance

3(f) The school psychologist assists in achieving academic outcomes, such as classroom instructional support, literacy strategies, home and school collaboration, instructional consultation, and other evidenced-based practices.

3(g) The school psychologist uses assessment and data-collection methods to assist in developing appropriate educational goals for students with diverse abilities and backgrounds.

3(h) The school psychologist assists in promoting the use of evidence-based interventions with fidelity.

Standard 4: Student Diversity in Development and Learning - The school psychologist understands that an individual’s development and learning are influenced by one or more of the following factors: biological, social, cultural, ethnic, experiential, socioeconomic, environmental, gender-related, and/or linguistic.

Knowledge

4(a) The school psychologist understands individual differences, abilities, and other diverse characteristics.

4(b) The school psychologist understands principles and research related to diversity factors for students, families, and schools, including factors related to culture, context, individual, and role differences.

4(c) The school psychologist understands empirically supported strategies to enhance educational services for students and families and effectively address potential influences on learning related to diversity.

4(d) The school psychologist understands the diversity of the continuum of educational development for students ages three through 21, including all educational service transitions.
Performance

4(e) The school psychologist provides educational services that promote effective functioning for individuals, families, and schools with diverse characteristics, cultures, and backgrounds across multiple contexts.

4(f) The school psychologist collaborates to address individual differences, strengths, backgrounds, and needs in providing services to improve educational and mental health outcomes for students.

4(g) The school psychologist provides culturally competent and effective practices in all areas of school psychology service delivery.

Standard 5: Legal, Ethical, and Professional Practice – The school psychologist understands the history and foundations of the profession, various service models and methods, and applies legal and ethical practices to advocate for the educational rights and welfare of students and families.

Knowledge

5(a) The school psychologist understands the history and foundations of school psychology.

5(b) The school psychologist understands multiple service models and methods.

5(c) The school psychologist understands ethical, legal, and professional standards and other factors related to professional identity, including personal biases and effective practice.

5(d) The school psychologist understands current federal and state statutes and regulations pertaining to educational services.

5(e) The school psychologist understands self-evaluation methods to determine areas for continuing professional development.

Performance

5(f) The school psychologist provides services consistent with ethical, legal, and professional standards.

5(g) The school psychologist engages in ethical and professional decision-making.

5(h) The school psychologist collaborates with and consults other professionals regarding legal and ethical educational practices.

5(i) The school psychologist applies professional work characteristics for effective practice, including respect for human diversity and social justice, communication skills, interpersonal skills, responsibility, adaptability, initiative, and dependability.

5(j) The school psychologist demonstrates legal and ethical practices in communication and the use of technology.

5(k) The school psychologist utilizes supervision and mentoring in the development of legal and ethical professional practice.
**Standard 6: School-Wide Practices to Promote Learning - The school psychologist understands the unique organization and culture of schools and related systems.**

**Knowledge**

6(a) The school psychologist understands school and multi-tiered systems’ structure, organization, and theory.

6(b) The school psychologist understands general and special education.

6(c) The school psychologist understands empirically supported school practices that promote academic outcomes, learning, social development, and mental health.

**Performance**

6(d) The school psychologist, in collaboration with others, demonstrates skills to develop and implement practices and strategies to create and maintain effective and supportive learning environments for students and others.

6(e) The school psychologist utilizes data-based decision making and evaluation methods, problem-solving strategies, consultation, and other services for systems-level issues, initiatives, and accountability responsibilities.

**Standard 7: Interventions and Mental Health Services to Develop Social and Life Skills - The school psychologist understands human development and psychopathology, including biological, cultural, and social influences.**

**Knowledge**

7(a) The school psychologist understands biological, cultural, developmental, and social influences on learning, behavior, mental health, and life skills.

7(b) The school psychologist understands techniques to assess socialization, mental health, and life skills and methods for using data in decision making, planning, and progress monitoring.

7(c) The school psychologist understands evidence-based supported strategies to promote social-emotional functioning and mental health.

**Performance**

7(d) The school psychologist uses assessment and data collection methods to collaboratively develop appropriate goals for students with diverse abilities, backgrounds, strengths, and needs.

7(e) The school psychologist integrates behavioral supports and mental health services with academic and behavioral goals to promote positive outcomes for students.

7(f) The school psychologist uses empirically supported strategies to collaboratively develop and implement services at the individual, group, and/or systems levels and to enhance classroom, school, home, and community factors related to student’s mental health, socialization, and learning.
**Standard 8: Preventive and Responsive Services –** The school psychologist understands preventive and responsive services in educational settings to promote a safe school environment.

**Knowledge**

8(a) The school psychologist understands principles and research related to resilience and risk factors in learning and mental health.

8(b) The school psychologist understands services in schools and communities to support multi-tiered prevention, and empirically supported strategies for effective crisis response.

**Performance**

8(c) The school psychologist, in collaboration with others, demonstrates skills to promote services that enhance learning, mental health, safety, physical well-being, and resilience through protective and adaptive factors.

8(d) The school psychologist, in collaboration with others, demonstrates skills to implement and/or evaluate effective crisis preparation, response, and recovery.

8(e) The school psychologist uses assessment and data collection methods to collaboratively develop appropriate goals for and to evaluate outcomes of prevention and response activities and crisis services.

**Standard 9: Home/School/Community Collaboration -** The school psychologist understands how to work effectively with students, families, educators, and others in the community to promote and provide comprehensive educational services.

**Knowledge**

9(a) The school psychologist understands the characteristics of families, family strengths and needs, family culture, and family–school interactions that impact student development.

9(b) The school psychologist understands the psychological and educational principles and research related to family systems and their influences on students’ academic, motivational, behavioral, mental health, and social characteristics.

9(c) The school psychologist understands empirically supported strategies to support family influences on student learning, socialization, and mental health.

9(d) The school psychologist understands methods to develop collaboration between families, schools, and community agencies.

**Performance**

9(e) The school psychologist demonstrates skills, in collaboration with others, to design, implement, and evaluate services that facilitate family and school partnerships and interactions with community agencies for enhancement of academic and social-behavioral outcomes for students.
9(f) The school psychologist uses empirically supported strategies to promote effective collaboration and partnerships among parents, schools, and community agencies regarding student learning, socialization, and mental health.

*Standard 10: Research and Program Evaluation - The school psychologist understands research, statistics, and evaluation methods.*

**Knowledge**

10(a) The school psychologist understands research design, statistics, measurement, varied data-collection and analysis techniques.

10(b) The school psychologist understands statistical and other data analysis techniques sufficient for interpretation of research and data in applied settings.

10(c) The school psychologist understands program evaluation methods at the individual, group, and systems levels.

**Performance**

10(d) The school psychologist demonstrates skills to evaluate and apply research as a foundation for service delivery.

10(e) The school psychologist provides assistance in educational settings for analyzing, interpreting, and using empirical foundations for effective practices at the individual, group, and/or systems levels.

10(f) The school psychologist demonstrates skills in using various techniques and technology resources, in collaboration with others, for data collection, measurement, analysis, and program evaluation to support effective practices at the individual, group, and/or systems levels.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS

The following knowledge and performance statements for the School Social Worker Standards are widely recognized, but not all-encompassing or absolute, indicators that School Social Worker candidates have met the standards. These standards were adapted from the 2008 Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards, the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) School Social Work Standards, and the School Social Work Association of America’s National School Social Work Model: Improving Academic and Behavioral Outcomes. It is the responsibility of a School Social Work preparation program to use indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards. Additionally, all school social worker candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

An important component of the School Social Work profession is a candidate’s disposition. Professional dispositions are how School Social Work candidates view their profession, their content area, and/or students and their health and learning. Every School Social Work preparation program at each institution is responsible for establishing and promoting a comprehensive set of guidelines for School Social Worker candidate dispositions.

Standard 1: Foundations of the professional school social worker - The competent school social worker is an advanced practitioner trained in mental health with a masters degree in social work, who provides services related to a person’s social emotional and life adjustment to school and/or society. School social workers are the link between the home, school and community in providing direct as well as indirect services that promote and support students’ academic and social success.

Knowledge - The competent school social worker:

1(a) Understands that school social work is an area of concentration built on the knowledge and competencies of graduate level social work education.

1(b) Understands how to improve academic and behavioral outcomes of students.

1(c) Possesses skills and knowledge to ensure the delivery of scientifically supported services.

1(d) Knows how to promote a positive school climate and culture.

1(e) Knows how to maximize school-based and community resources.

1(f) Understands how to synthesize and apply a broad range of interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary knowledge and skills.

Performance - The competent school social worker:

1(g) Uses knowledge to improve academic and behavioral outcomes of students.

1(h) Utilizes skills and knowledge to ensure the delivery of scientifically supported services.

1(i) Promotes a positive school climate and culture.

1(j) Maximizes school-based and community resources.
1(k) Synthesizes and applies a broad range of interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary knowledge and skills.

**Standard 2: Engagement, Assessment, Intervention, and Evaluation - The competent school social worker engages, assesses, intervenes, and evaluates with individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities for the enhancement of student learning and the educational system.**

**Knowledge - The competent school social worker:**

2(a) Understands environmental factors when planning interventions to create an effective bridge between students’ experiences and goals.

2(b) Understands how to conduct social work assessment of adaptive behavior, learning styles, self-esteem, social skills, attitudes, high-risk behavior (i.e. truancy, suicide, homicide, drug and alcohol, etc.), interests, and emotional/mental health.

2(c) Understands how to help students work cooperatively and productively.

2(d) Understands how to interpret and utilize research to evaluate and guide professional interventions and program development.

2(e) Understands dispute resolution strategies.

2(f) Is familiar with the diagnostic tools used by other professionals in the school.

2(g) Understands the use of assessment as a means to evaluate the student’s social emotional/mental functioning, including:

- The child’s physical, cognitive, and social-emotional development.
- Family history and factors that influence the child’s overall functioning.
- The child’s behavior and attitude in different settings.
- Patterns of interpersonal relationships in all spheres of the child’s environment.
- Patterns of achievement and adjustment at critical points in the child’s growth and development.
- Adaptive behavior and cultural factors that may influence learning; understands the relationship between assessment, eligibility, and placement decisions, including the development of Accommodation, Behavior, Response to Intervention (RTI) and Individualized Education Plans (IEP).

**Performance - The competent school social worker:**

2(h) Substantively and effectively builds relationships with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities.

2(i) Uses empathy and other interpersonal skills.

2(j) Develops a mutually agreed-on intervention goals and objectives.

2(k) Collects, organizes, and interprets student data.
2(l) Assesses student and family strengths and limitations with the goal of improving student social, emotional, behavioral, and academic outcomes.

2(m) Selects and utilizes appropriate intervention strategies.

2(n) Initiates actions to achieve student learning outcomes.

2(o) Implements prevention interventions that enhance student and family capacities.

2(p) Helps students and families resolve problems.

2(q) Negotiates, mediates, and advocates for students, families and the school system.

2(r) Plans for and facilitates transitions and termination of services.

2(s) Critically analyzes, monitors, and evaluates interventions.

2(t) Uses diverse interview techniques and written communication with all persons within the student’s environment.

2(u) Mobilizes the resources of the school and community to meet the needs of students and their families.

2(v) Assists in establishing expectations for student learning consistent with students’ strengths and educational goals.

**Standard 3: Knowledge of human behavior and the social environment** - The competent school social worker is knowledgeable about human behavior across the life course; the range of social systems in which people live; and the ways social systems promote or deter people in maintaining or achieving health and well-being. School social workers apply pertinent theories and knowledge to understand biological, social, cultural, psychological, and spiritual development.

**Knowledge - The competent school social worker:**

3(a) Understands theories of normal and exceptional development in early childhood, middle childhood, adolescence, and early adulthood and their application to all students.

3(b) Understands the effects of mental illness on students’ ability to participate in learning.

3(c) Understands the person-in-environment context of social work.

3(d) Understands the effects of biological, spiritual, legal, social, and cultural factors on human development and social functioning.

3(e) Understands characteristics and implications for education of children with academic, and/or social/emotional challenges.

3(f) Understands strength-based assessments and practices that support growth and development.

3(g) Understands the social-developmental history with its focus on the student's functioning within the educational environment.
3(h) Understands principles of and strategies for effective behavior, emotional and social management within the school environment.

3(i) Understands how people’s attitudes within the educational environment influence behavior of individuals.

3(j) Understands the importance of parents’/guardians’ participation in fostering students’ positive development.

3(k) Understands the goals and objectives of educational organizations.

3(l) Understands how service learning and volunteerism promote the development of personal and social responsibility.

**Performance - The competent school social worker:**

3(m) Utilizes the human behavior in the social environment framework to guide processes of assessment, intervention, and evaluation with individuals, groups, families, and school system.

3(n) Critiques and applies knowledge to understand students in their educational, family and community environments.

3(o) Gathers and interprets appropriate information to document and assess environmental, emotional, cultural, socioeconomic, educational, biological, psychosocial, and legal factors that affect children’s learning.

3(p) Develops and implements empirically based prevention and intervention plans that enable the child to “respond to intervention” (RTI).

3(q) Provides individual, group, and/or family counseling and other services to enhance success in the educational process.

3(r) Provides crisis intervention counseling and other services to the school community.

3(s) Provides consultation to teachers, administrators, parents, and community agencies.

3(t) Conducts social work assessments and participates in eligibility conferences for special education and other programmatic options, students’ educational planning conferences, and conferences with parents.

3(u) Implements appropriate areas of student IEP, accommodation, and behavior plans.

3(v) Initiates referrals and linkages to community agencies and maintains follow-up services on behalf of identified students.

**Standard 4: Policy practice - The competent school social worker advances social and economic well-being and delivers effective social work services in the educational setting.** School social workers, as systems’ change agents, shall identify areas of need that are not being addressed by the local education agency and community and shall work to create services that address these needs. School social workers shall be informed about court decisions, legislation, rules and regulations, and policies and procedures that affect school social work practice, to effectively advocate for students.
Knowledge - The competent school social worker:

4(a) Understands the interdisciplinary approach to service delivery within the educational environment.

4(b) Understands parent/guardian and student rights (both legal and educational) regarding assessment and evaluation.

4(c) Understands the collaborative process with parents, school personnel, community based organizations, and agencies to enhance the student’s educational functioning.

4(d) Understands the school’s role within the context of the larger community.

4(e) Understands the importance of audience and purpose when selecting ways to communicate ideas.

4(f) Understands how to work with administrators and other school personnel to make changes within the school.

4(g) Understands the organization and operation of safe school systems.

4(h) Understands school policies and procedures as they relate to student learning, safety and well-being.

Performance - The competent school social worker:

4(i) Analyzes, formulates, and advocates for policies that advance social well-being for students, families, and school system.

4(j) Collaborates with colleagues and clients for effective policy action.

4(k) Educates students and parents about school, State, and Federal policies and statutes and accompanying rights and responsibilities.

4(l) Identifies and addresses gaps in services for students and families.

4(m) Engages in advocacy that seeks to ensure that all students have equal access to education and services to enhance their academic progress.

Standard 5: Environmental contexts that shape practice - Competent school social workers are informed, resourceful, and proactive in responding to evolving organizational, community, and societal contexts at all levels of practice. They recognize that the educational settings are dynamic, and use knowledge and skills to respond proactively.

Knowledge - The competent school social worker:

5(a) Understands systems theories as they relate to classrooms, schools, families, and community.

5(b) Understands the application of social learning theories to identify and develop broad-based prevention and intervention programs.

5(c) Understands learning theory and normal and exceptional development as it applies to the content and curriculum of educational planning and intervention.
5(d) Understands how to develop long- and short-term empirically based intervention plans consistent with curriculum and students' diversity and strengths, life experiences, and social/emotional factors.

5(e) Understands how to integrate and use technology for assessments, interventions, and information management.

5(f) Understands that as members of interdisciplinary teams and coalitions, school social workers shall work collaboratively to mobilize the resources of local education agencies and communities to meet the needs of students and families.

5(g) Understands how to facilitate a collaborative relationship between general and special education systems to promote a unified system of education.

Performance - The competent school social worker:

5(h) Continuously discovers, appraises, and attends to changing locales, populations, scientific and technological developments, and emerging societal trends to provide relevant service.

5(i) Provides leadership in promoting sustainable changes in service delivery and practice to improve the quality of social services.

5(j) Facilitates collaborative relationships between general and special education systems to promote a unified system of education.

5(k) Develops long- and short-term empirically based intervention plans consistent with curriculum and students' diversity and strengths, life experiences, and social/emotional factors.

5(l) Integrates and uses technology for assessments, interventions, and information management.

Standard 6: Empirically based practice - The competent school social worker engages in research-informed practice and practice-informed research. School social workers use practice experience to inform research, employ evidence-based interventions, evaluate their own practice, and use research findings to improve practice, policy, and social service delivery in the educational setting.

Knowledge - The competent school social worker:

6(a) Understands empirically-based methods of individual, group, family, and crisis counseling.

6(b) Understands empirically-based methods of social work service delivery.

6(c) Understands the process of needs assessment, referral, and resource development.

6(d) Understands quantitative and qualitative research.

6(e) Understands scientific and ethical approaches to building knowledge.

6(f) Understands the use of empirically based assessment and evaluation results to develop student interventions.
Performance - The competent school social worker:

6(g) Uses practice in the educational setting to inform future research activities.

6(h) Uses research evidence to inform practice in assessment, prevention, intervention and evaluation with individuals, groups, families, and the school system.

6(i) Uses evidence based knowledge in the development and implementation of accommodation, behavioral, RTI, and IEP plans.

6(j) Collects, interprets and uses data in interdisciplinary collaboration to develop and foster academic achievement.

6(k) Involves students in self-assessment activities to help them become aware of their strengths and needs to establish and attain their goals.

Standard 7: Advocacy - The competent school social worker advances student, family and human rights for social and economic justice within educational settings. Each person, regardless of position in society, has basic human rights, such as freedom, safety, privacy, an adequate standard of living, health care, and education.

Knowledge - The competent school social worker:

7(a) Understands methods of advocacy on behalf of individuals, families, and school systems.

7(b) Understands the role of advocacy and facilitation at all levels of the system that affect students and their families.

7(c) Understands the need to improve access to services and resources.

7(d) Understands the forms and mechanisms of oppression and discrimination and how these factors impact student learning.

7(e) Recognizes the global interconnections of oppression and are knowledgeable about theories of justice and strategies to promote human and civil rights within the academic setting.

Performance - The competent school social worker:

7(f) Advocates for student, family and human rights and social and economic justice.

7(g) Engages in practices that advance social and economic justice.

7(h) Works to empower children, their families, educators, and others to gain access to and effectively use school and community resources.

7(i) Identifies areas of need and advocates or advocates for the creation of resources at the state and community level.

7(j) Advocates for students with other members of the educational community to enhance students' functioning in the learning environment.

7(k) Incorporates social justice practices in organizations, institutions, and society to ensure that these basic human rights are distributed equitably and without prejudice.
Standard 8: Diversity and cultural competence - The competent school social worker understands how diversity characterizes and shapes the human experience and is critical to the formation of identity. The dimensions of diversity are understood as the intersectionality of multiple factors including age, class, color, culture, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity and expression, immigration status, political ideology, race, religion, sex, and sexual orientation.

Knowledge - The competent school social worker:

8(a) Understands the variations in beliefs, traditions, and values across cultures and their effect on interactions among group members.

8(b) Understands the broad range of backgrounds and experiences that shape students’ approaches to learning.

8(c) Understands how students' success is influenced by prior learning and the diversity factors listed above.

8(d) Understands and identifies differences in approaches to learning and performance, including different learning styles, performance modes, and variations of perception.

8(e) Understands the issues of second language acquisition and the immigrant experience.

8(f) Understands ways in which similar behaviors may have different meanings to people in different cultures.

8(g) Understands that, as a consequence of difference and diversity, a person’s life experiences may include oppression, poverty, marginalization, and alienation as well as privilege, power, and acclaim.

Performance - The competent school social worker:

8(h) Considers the extent to which a culture’s structures and values may oppress, marginalize, alienate, create or enhance privilege and power.

8(i) Gains sufficient self-awareness to eliminate the influence of personal biases and values in working with diverse groups.

8(j) Communicates their understanding of the importance of difference in shaping life, learning and educational experiences.

8(k) Actively learns from and engages those with whom they work.

8(l) Considers how these factors impact student learning, academic success and achievement.

Standard 9: Critical Thinking - The competent school social worker is knowledgeable about the principles of logic, scientific inquiry, and professional judgment and their implications to student learning.

Knowledge - The competent school social worker:

9(a) Understands how to analyze the usefulness of knowledge in specific situations.
9(b) Understands how synthesis and communication of relevant information is pertinent to the educational setting.

9(c) Understands how to integrate content knowledge for service delivery.

9(d) Understands theories and methods of communication.

**Performance - The competent school social worker:**

9(e) Distinguishes, appraises, and integrates multiple sources of knowledge, including research-based knowledge, and practice wisdom.

9(f) Uses critical thinking and professional judgment augmented by creativity and curiosity in decision making.

9(g) Analyzes models of assessment, prevention, intervention, and evaluation.

9(h) Synthesizes and communicates relevant information as it pertains to the learning environment.

9(i) Uses supervision and consultation to determine best practice service delivery.

9(j) Utilizes theories and appropriate methods of communication when engaging a variety of audiences.

**Standard 10: Ethical Practice - The competent school social worker conducts themselves ethically by applying ethical principles to guide professional practice and decision making within the educational setting.**

**Knowledge - The competent school social worker:**

10(a) Understands federal and state laws and regulations as they pertain to ethical school social work practice.

10(b) Understands the NASW Code of Ethics and, as applicable, of the International Federation of Social Workers/International Association of Schools of Social Work Ethics in Social Work, Statement of Principles.

10(c) Understands the legal and ethical principles of confidentiality as they relate to the practice of school social work, (i.e. HIPPA, FERPA).

10(d) Understands the value base of the profession, its ethical standards, and relevant law.

**Performance - The competent school social worker:**

10(e) Maintains current knowledge of and abides by federal and State laws and regulations, with emphasis on confidentiality, and students’ and families’ rights.

10(f) Models and promotes ethical practices for confidential communication.

10(g) Manages personal values in a way that allows professional values to guide practice.

10(i) Tolerates ambiguity in resolving ethical conflicts.

10(j) Applies strategies of ethical reasoning to arrive at principled decisions.

10(k) Collaborates with other educational professionals in an interdisciplinary and ethical manner.

**Standard 11: Identifies as a professional school social worker and conducts oneself accordingly**

- **School social workers serve as representatives of the profession, its mission, and its core values.** They know the profession’s history. Social workers commit themselves to the profession’s enhancement and to their own professional conduct and growth.

**Knowledge - The competent school social worker:**

11(a) Understands methods of practice, including counseling, crisis intervention, case work, and individual, group, and family therapies.

11(b) Understands and develops skills in advocacy, case management, classroom groups, community organization, consultation and in-service training.

11(c) Understands the role of mandated reporters and the function of the State’s child welfare agency and law enforcement interaction.

11(d) Understands the importance of active participation and leadership in professional education and social work organizations.

11(e) Understands how to use supervision, consultation, collaboration, and continuing education to identify areas for ongoing professional development.

11(f) Understands the importance of taking responsibility for self-evaluation as a competent and ethical practitioner.

11(g) Understands the significance of social work history.

**Performance - The competent school social worker:**

11(h) Advocates for student and family access to social work services in the educational setting.

11(i) Practices personal reflection and self-correction to assure continual professional development.

11(j) Attends to professional roles and boundaries within the context of the educational setting.

11(k) Demonstrates professional demeanor in behavior, appearance, and communication.

11(l) Engages in career-long learning.

11(m) Uses supervision and consultation.

11(n) Uses continuing education, professional development activities, research, professional literature, observations and experiences to enhance professional growth and to guide evaluation of professional practice.
11(o) Participates in professional activities and organizations that promote and enhance school social work practice.
IDAHO STANDARDS FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

All speech-language pathology candidates are expected to meet standards specific to their discipline area(s) at the “acceptable” level or above. Additionally, all speech-language pathology candidates are expected to meet the requirements defined in State Board Rule (IDAPA 08.02.02: Rules Governing Uniformity).

The following standards and competencies for speech-language pathologists were adopted from the Council for Clinical Certification in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. (2014 Standards for the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology. These standards are not all-encompassing or absolute but are indicative of the requirements necessary for effective speech language pathologists. The evidence validating candidates’ ability to demonstrate these standards shall be collected from a variety of settings including, but not limited to, courses, practicum, and field experiences. It is the responsibility of higher education preparation programs to use knowledge and performance indicators in a manner that is consistent with its conceptual framework and that assures attainment of the standards.

Standard I: Degree – The applicant for certification must have a master’s, doctoral, or other recognized post-baccalaureate degree.

Implementation: The Council for Clinical Certification in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CFCC) has the authority to determine eligibility of all applicants for certification.

Standard II: Education Program – All graduate course work and graduate clinical experience required in speech-language pathology must have been initiated and completed in a speech-language pathology program accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA).

Implementation: If the graduate program of study is initiated and completed in a CAA-accredited program or in a program that held candidacy status for CAA accreditation, and if the program director or official designee verifies that all knowledge and skills required at the time of application have been met, approval of academic course work and practicum is automatic. Applicants eligible for automatic approval must submit an official graduate transcript or a letter from the registrar that verifies the date the graduate degree was awarded. The official graduate transcript or letter from the registrar must be received by the National Office no later than 1 year from the date the application was received. Verification of the graduate degree is required of the applicant before the certificate is awarded.

Individuals educated outside the United States or its territories must submit documentation that course work was completed in an institution of higher education that is regionally accredited or recognized by the appropriate regulatory authority for that country. In addition, applicants outside the United States or its territories must meet each of the standards that follow.
Standard III: Program of Study – The applicant for certification must have completed a program of study (a minimum of 36 semester credit hours at the graduate level) that includes academic course work and supervised clinical experience sufficient in depth and breadth to achieve the specified knowledge and skills outcomes stipulated in Standard IV-A through IV-G and Standard V-A through V-C.

Implementation: The minimum of 36 graduate semester credit hours must have been earned in a program that addresses the knowledge and skills pertinent to the ASHA Scope of Practice in Speech-Language Pathology.

Standard IV: Knowledge Outcomes

Standard IV-A – The applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of the biological sciences, physical sciences, statistics, and the social/behavioral sciences.

Implementation: Acceptable courses in biological sciences should emphasize a content area related to human or animal sciences (e.g., biology, human anatomy and physiology, neuroanatomy and neurophysiology, human genetics, veterinary science). Acceptable courses in physical sciences should include physics or chemistry. Acceptable courses in social/behavioral sciences should include psychology, sociology, anthropology, or public health. A stand-alone course in statistics is required. Research methodology courses in communication sciences and disorders (CSD) may not be used to satisfy the statistics requirement. A course in biological and physical sciences specifically related to CSD may not be applied for certification purposes to this category unless the course fulfills a university requirement in one of these areas.

Academic advisors are strongly encouraged to enroll students in courses in the biological, physical, and the social/behavioral sciences in content areas that will assist students in acquiring the basic principles in social, cultural, cognitive, behavioral, physical, physiological, and anatomical areas useful to understanding the communication/linguistic sciences and disorders.

Standard IV-B – The applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of basic human communication and swallowing processes, including the appropriate biological, neurological, acoustic, psychological, developmental, and linguistic and cultural bases. The applicant must have demonstrated the ability to integrate information pertaining to normal and abnormal human development across the life span.

Standard IV-C – The applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of communication and swallowing disorders and differences, including the appropriate etiologies, characteristics, anatomical/physiological, acoustic, psychological, developmental, and linguistic and cultural correlates in the following areas:

- articulation;
- fluency;
- voice and resonance, including respiration and phonation;
- receptive and expressive language (phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, prelinguistic communication and paralinguistic communication) in speaking, listening, reading, writing;
• hearing, including the impact on speech and language;
• swallowing (oral, pharyngeal, esophageal, and related functions, including oral function for feeding, orofacial myology);
• cognitive aspects of communication (attention, memory, sequencing, problem-solving, executive functioning);
• social aspects of communication (including challenging behavior, ineffective social skills, and lack of communication opportunities);
• augmentative and alternative communication modalities.

Implementation: It is expected that course work addressing the professional knowledge specified in Standard IV-C will occur primarily at the graduate level.

**Standard IV-D** – For each of the areas specified in Standard IV-C, the applicant must have demonstrated current knowledge of the principles and methods of prevention, assessment, and intervention for people with communication and swallowing disorders, including consideration of anatomical/physiological, psychological, developmental, and linguistic and cultural correlates.

**Standard IV-E** – The applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of standards of ethical conduct.

Implementation: The applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of the principles and rules of the current ASHA Code of Ethics.

**Standard IV-F** – The applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of processes used in research and of the integration of research principles into evidence-based clinical practice.

Implementation: The applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of the principles of basic and applied research and research design. In addition, the applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of how to access sources of research information and have demonstrated the ability to relate research to clinical practice.

**Standard IV-G** – The applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of contemporary professional issues.

Implementation: The applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of professional issues that affect speech-language pathology. Issues typically include trends in professional practice, academic program accreditation standards, ASHA practice policies and guidelines, and reimbursement procedures.

**Standard IV-H** – The applicant must have demonstrated knowledge of entry level and advanced certifications, licensure, and other relevant professional credentials, as well as local, state, and national regulations and policies relevant to professional practice.
Standard V: Skills Outcomes

Standard V-A – The applicant must have demonstrated skills in oral and written or other forms of communication sufficient for entry into professional practice.

Implementation: Individuals are eligible to apply for certification once they have completed all graduate-level academic course work and clinical practicum and been judged by the graduate program as having acquired all of the knowledge and skills mandated by the current standards.

The applicant must have demonstrated communication skills sufficient to achieve effective clinical and professional interaction with clients/patients and relevant others. For oral communication, the applicant must have demonstrated speech and language skills in English, which, at a minimum, are consistent with ASHA’s current position statement on students and professionals who speak English with accents and nonstandard dialects. In addition, the applicant must have demonstrated the ability to write and comprehend technical reports, diagnostic and treatment reports, treatment plans, and professional correspondence in English.

Standard V-B – The applicant for certification must have completed a program of study that included experiences sufficient in breadth and depth to achieve the following skills outcomes:

1. Evaluation
   a. Conduct screening and prevention procedures (including prevention activities).
   b. Collect case history information and integrate information from clients/patients, family, caregivers, teachers, and relevant others, including other professionals.
   c. Select and administer appropriate evaluation procedures, such as behavioral observations, nonstandardized and standardized tests, and instrumental procedures.
   d. Adapt evaluation procedures to meet client/patient needs.
   e. Interpret, integrate, and synthesize all information to develop diagnoses and make appropriate recommendations for intervention.
   f. Complete administrative and reporting functions necessary to support evaluation.
   g. Refer clients/patients for appropriate services.

2. Intervention
   a. Develop setting-appropriate intervention plans with measurable and achievable goals that meet clients'/patients' needs. Collaborate with clients/patients and relevant others in the planning process.
   b. Implement intervention plans (involve clients/patients and relevant others in the intervention process).
   c. Select or develop and use appropriate materials and instrumentation for prevention and intervention.
   d. Measure and evaluate clients'/patients' performance and progress.
e. Modify intervention plans, strategies, materials, or instrumentation as appropriate to meet the needs of clients/patients.

f. Complete administrative and reporting functions necessary to support intervention.

g. Identify and refer clients/patients for services as appropriate.

3. **Interaction and Personal Qualities**

a. Communicate effectively, recognizing the needs, values, preferred mode of communication, and cultural/linguistic background of the client/patient, family, caregivers, and relevant others.

b. Collaborate with other professionals in case management.

c. Provide counseling regarding communication and swallowing disorders to clients/patients, family, caregivers, and relevant others.

d. Adhere to the ASHA Code of Ethics and behave professionally.

Implementation: The applicant must have acquired the skills referred to in this standard applicable across the nine major areas listed in Standard IV-C. Skills may be developed and demonstrated by direct client/patient contact in clinical experiences, academic course work, labs, simulations, examinations, and completion of independent projects.

The applicant must have obtained a sufficient variety of supervised clinical experiences in different work settings and with different populations so that he or she can demonstrate skills across the ASHA Scope of Practice in Speech-Language Pathology. Supervised clinical experience is defined as clinical services (i.e., assessment/diagnosis/evaluation, screening, treatment, report writing, family/client consultation, and/or counseling) related to the management of populations that fit within the ASHA Scope of Practice in Speech-Language Pathology.

These experiences should allow students to:

- interpret, integrate, and synthesize core concepts and knowledge;
- demonstrate appropriate professional and clinical skills; and
- incorporate critical thinking and decision-making skills while engaged in identification, evaluation, diagnosis, planning, implementation, and/or intervention.

Alternative clinical experiences may include the use of standardized patients and simulation technologies (e.g., standardized patients, virtual patients, digitized mannequins, immersive reality, task trainers, computer-based interactive).

Supervisors of clinical experiences must hold a current ASHA Certificate of Clinical Competence in the appropriate area of practice during the time of supervision. The supervised activities must be within the ASHA Scope of Practice in Speech-Language Pathology to count toward certification.
Standard V-C – The applicant for certification in speech-language pathology must complete a minimum of 400 clock hours of supervised clinical experience in the practice of speech-language pathology. Twenty-five hours must be spent in clinical observation, and 375 hours must be spent in direct client/patient contact.

Implementation: Guided observation hours generally precede direct contact with clients/patients. The observation and direct client/patient contact hours must be within the ASHA Scope of Practice in Speech-Language Pathology and must be under the supervision of a qualified professional who holds current ASHA certification in the appropriate practice area. Such supervision may occur simultaneously with the student's observation or afterwards through review and approval of written reports or summaries submitted by the student. Students may use video recordings of client services for observation purposes.

Applicants should be assigned practicum only after they have acquired sufficient knowledge bases to qualify for such experience. Only direct contact with the client or the client's family in assessment, intervention, and/or counseling can be counted toward practicum. Up to 20% (i.e., 75 hours) of direct contact hours may be obtained through alternative clinical education (ACE) methods. Only the time spent in active engagement with the ACE may be counted. ACE may include the use of standardized patients and simulation technologies (e.g., standardized patients, virtual patients, digitized mannequins, immersive reality, task trainers, computer-based interactive). Debriefing activities may not be included. Although several students may observe a clinical session at one time, clinical practicum hours should be assigned only to the student who provides direct services to the client or client's family. Typically, only one student should be working with a given client at a time in order to count the practicum hours. It is possible for several students working as a team to receive credit for the same session, depending on the specific responsibilities each student is assigned. The applicant must maintain documentation of time spent in supervised practicum, verified by the program in accordance with Standards III and IV.

Standard V-D – At least 325 of the 400 clock hours must be completed while the applicant is engaged in graduate study in a program accredited in speech-language pathology by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology.

Implementation: A minimum of 325 clock hours of clinical practicum must be completed at the graduate level. At the discretion of the graduate program, hours obtained at the undergraduate level may be used to satisfy the remainder of the requirement.

Standard V-E – Supervision must be provided by individuals who hold the Certificate of Clinical Competence in the appropriate profession. The amount of direct supervision must be commensurate with the student's knowledge, skills, and experience, must not be less than 25% of the student's total contact with each client/patient, and must take place periodically throughout the practicum. Supervision must be sufficient to ensure the welfare of the client/patient.

Implementation: Direct supervision must be in real time. A supervisor must be available to consult with a student providing clinical services to the supervisor's client. Supervision of clinical practicum is intended to provide guidance and feedback and to facilitate the student's acquisition
of essential clinical skills. The amount of direct supervision must be commensurate with the student's knowledge, skills, and experience, must not be less than 25% of the student's total contact with each client/patient, and must take place periodically throughout the practicum. Supervision must be sufficient to ensure the welfare of the client/patient.

**Standard V-F – Supervised practicum must include experience with client/patient populations across the life span and from culturally/linguistically diverse backgrounds. Practicum must include experience with client/patient populations with various types and severities of communication and/or related disorders, differences, and disabilities.**

Implementation: The applicant must demonstrate direct client/patient clinical experiences in both assessment and intervention with both children and adults from the range of disorders and differences named in Standard IV-C.

**Standard VI: Assessment – The applicant must have passed the national examination adopted by ASHA for purposes of certification in speech-language pathology.**

Implementation: Results of the Praxis Examination in Speech-Language Pathology must be submitted directly to ASHA from ETS. The certification standards require that a passing exam score must be earned no earlier than 5 years prior to the submission of the application and no later than 2 years following receipt of the application. If the exam is not successfully passed and reported within the 2-year application period, the applicant’s certification file will be closed. If the exam is passed or reported at a later date, the individual will be required to reapply for certification under the standards in effect at that time.

**Standard VII: Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Fellowship – The applicant must successfully complete a Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Fellowship (CF).**

Implementation: The Clinical Fellowship may be initiated only after completion of all academic course work and clinical experiences required to meet the knowledge and skills delineated in Standards IV and V. The CF experience must be initiated within 24 months of the date the application is received. Once the CF has been initiated, it must be completed within 48 months. For applicants completing multiple CFs, all CF experiences related to the application must be completed within 48 months of the date the first CF was initiated. Applications will be closed for a CF/CFs that is/are not completed within the 48-month timeframe or that is/are not reported to ASHA within 90 days after the 48-month timeframe. The Clinical Fellow will be required to reapply for certification and must meet the Standards in effect at the time of re-application. CF experiences older than 5 years at the time of application will not be accepted.

The CF must have been completed under the mentorship of an individual who held the ASHA Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology (CCC-SLP) throughout the duration of the fellowship. It is the Clinical Fellow's responsibility to identify a mentoring speech-language pathologist (SLP) who holds an active Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology. Should the certification status of the mentoring SLP change during the CF experience, the Clinical Fellow will be awarded credit only for that portion of time during which the mentoring SLP held certification. It, therefore, is incumbent on the CF to verify the mentoring SLP's status periodically throughout the Clinical Fellowship experience. A family member or individual related in any way to the Clinical Fellow may not serve as a mentoring SLP.
Standard VII-A: Clinical Fellowship Experience – The Clinical Fellowship must have consisted of clinical service activities that foster the continued growth and integration of knowledge, skills, and tasks of clinical practice in speech-language pathology consistent with ASHA’s current Scope of Practice in Speech-Language Pathology. The Clinical Fellowship must have consisted of no less than 36 weeks of full-time professional experience or its part-time equivalent.

Implementation: No less than 80% of the Fellow's major responsibilities during the CF experience must have been in direct client/patient contact (e.g., assessment, diagnosis, evaluation, screening, treatment, clinical research activities, family/client consultations, recordkeeping, report writing, and/or counseling) related to the management process for individuals who exhibit communication and/or swallowing disabilities.

Full-time professional experience is defined as 35 hours per week, culminating in a minimum of 1,260 hours. Part-time experience of less than 5 hours per week will not meet the CF requirement and may not be counted toward completion of the experience. Similarly, work in excess of the 35 hours per week cannot be used to shorten the CF to less than 36 weeks.

Standard VII-B: Clinical Fellowship Mentorship – The Clinical Fellow must have received ongoing mentoring and formal evaluations by the CF mentor.

Implementation: Mentoring must have included on-site observations and other monitoring activities. These activities may have been executed by correspondence, review of video and/or audio recordings, evaluation of written reports, telephone conferences with the Fellow, and evaluations by professional colleagues with whom the Fellow works. The CF mentor and Clinical Fellow must have participated in regularly scheduled formal evaluations of the Fellow's progress during the CF experience. The Clinical Fellow must receive ongoing mentoring and formal evaluations by the CF Mentor.

The mentoring SLP must engage in no fewer than 36 supervisory activities during the clinical fellowship experience. This supervision must include 18 on-site observations of direct client contact at the Clinical Fellow's work site (1 hour = 1 on-site observation; a maximum of six on-site observations may be accrued in 1 day). At least six on-site observations must be conducted during each third of the CF experience. On-site observations must consist of the Clinical Fellow engaged in screening, evaluation, assessment, and/or habilitation/rehabilitation activities. Use of real-time, interactive video and audio conferencing technology is permitted as a form of on-site observation, for which pre-approval must be obtained.

Additionally, supervision must also include 18 other monitoring activities. At least six other monitoring activities must be conducted during each third of the CF experience. Other monitoring activities are defined as evaluation of reports written by the Clinical Fellow, conferences between the mentoring SLP and the Clinical Fellow, discussions with professional colleagues of the Fellow, etc., and may be executed by correspondence, telephone, or reviewing of video and/or audio tapes.

On rare occasions, the CFCC may allow the supervisory process to be conducted in other ways. However, a request for other supervisory mechanisms must be submitted in written form to the CFCC, and co-signed by the CF mentor, before the CF is initiated. The request must include the reason for the alternative supervision and a description of the supervision that would be
provided. At a minimum, such a request must outline the type, length, and frequency of the supervision that would be provided.

A CF mentor intending to supervise a Clinical Fellow located in another state may be required to also hold licensure in that state; it is up to the CF mentor and the Clinical Fellow to make this determination before proceeding with a supervision arrangement.

**Standard VII-C: Clinical Fellowship Outcomes – The Clinical Fellow must have demonstrated knowledge and skills consistent with the ability to practice independently.**

Implementation: At the completion of the CF experience, the applicant will have acquired and demonstrated the ability to:

- integrate and apply theoretical knowledge,
- evaluate his or her strengths and identify his or her limitations,
- refine clinical skills within the Scope of Practice in Speech-Language Pathology,
- apply the ASHA Code of Ethics to independent professional practice.

In addition, upon completion of the CF, the applicant must have demonstrated the ability to perform clinical activities accurately, consistently, and independently and to seek guidance as necessary.

The CF mentor must submit the Clinical Fellowship Report and Rating Form, which includes the Clinical Fellowship Skills Inventory (CFSI), as soon as the CF successfully completes the CF experience. This report must be signed by both the Clinical Fellow and mentoring SLP.

**Standard VIII: Maintenance of Certification – Certificate holders must demonstrate continued professional development for maintenance of the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology (CCC-SLP).**

Implementation: Individuals who hold the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology (CCC-SLP) must accumulate 30 certification maintenance hours of professional development during every 3-year maintenance interval. Intervals are continuous and begin January 1 of the year following award of initial certification or reinstatement of certification. A random audit of compliance will be conducted.

Accrual of professional development hours, adherence to the ASHA Code of Ethics, submission of certification maintenance compliance documentation, and payment of annual dues and/or certification fees are required for maintenance of certification.

If renewal of certification is not accomplished within the 3-year period, certification will expire. Individuals wishing to regain certification must submit a reinstatement application and meet the standards in effect at the time the reinstatement application is submitted.