

Educator's Name: _____ Date: _____

Middle School Grades 4-8 Add-on: <Insert Dropdown with Areas>

The following four requirements must be completed to add specific Middle School 4-8 area(s) to an existing, valid Louisiana teaching certificate:

<i>Eligibility requirements:</i>	Yes	No	Course Code
1. Valid* certificate in Secondary 6-12, 7-12, 9-12, or All-Level K-12 certification area			
2. Earn passing score for Praxis middle school specialty content exam -----OR----- Thirty (30) semester hours in the core content area . Use an additional page if more space is needed. Refer to Acceptable Courses guide for assistance.			Exam _____
3. Earn passing score on Praxis Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) 5-9			
4. Six (6) semester hours in the teaching of reading and literacy. Equivalent contact hours from a non-university private teacher preparation program are acceptable for endorsement purposes. One semester hour is equivalent to 15 contact hours. Successful completion of the BESE-approved literacy foundations training (include training completion certificate) may be accepted for the number of hours approved per program. -----OR----- Pass the adopted Teaching of Reading Praxis exam			Literacy Foundations
			Exam _____

**Verify certificate is valid (not expired) before requesting add-on endorsement. Consult with the Louisiana employing school system to make certificate valid BEFORE submitting application for add-on endorsement if the certificate has expired.*

To add an area/endorsement to a teaching certificate use the [Evaluation, Add-On, Course Approval, & Name Change Application \(EV\)](#) packet. Submit the request with all applicable items listed in the application packet checklist, as one PDF, through the online certification portal.

_____ Signature of Applicant acknowledging the information indicated above is true/accurate.	_____ Date
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<i>For use by the Certification Office only:</i>	
_____ Evaluating Specialist	_____ Date