Educator's Name: _____ Date: _____

Mild/Moderate: 4-8 Add-on Endorsement to an All-Level or Special Education Certificate:

Prior to September 1, 2024, requirements 1 through 5 below must be completed to add "Mild/Moderate 4-8" to an existing, valid Louisiana teaching certificate. Beginning September 1, 2024, all seven requirements must be completed:

Eligibility requirements:	Yes	No	Course Code or Exam Number
1. Valid* certificate in **all-level special education (Significant Disabilities, Hearing Impaired, Visually Impaired), Mild/Moderate 1-5 or 6-12, or all-level K-12 (Art, Music, Dance, Health & PE, or Foreign Language)** certification area.	☐	☐	
2. Earn passing score on Praxis Special Education: Core Knowledge and Mild to Moderate Applications (5543) or Special Education: Foundational Knowledge (5355)	☐	☐	Exam _____
3. Earn passing score on Praxis Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) 5-9	☐	☐	
4. Earn passing score on any Praxis middle school core content area exam (Math 4-8, Science 4-8, English Language Arts 4-8, or Social Studies 4-8)	☐	☐	Area _____ Exam _____
5. Complete 18 semester hours of special education coursework, (six 3 hour courses) as listed below and reflected on official transcripts:			
Assessment and Evaluation of Students with Disabilities	☐	☐	
Fundamentals of Instructional Technology	☐	☐	
Behavioral Support and Intervention	☐	☐	
Collaborative Teaming	☐	☐	
Instructional Practices in Special Education	☐	☐	
Self-Determination & Transition	☐	☐	
6. ***Effective September 1, 2024*****: Nine (9) 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.	☐	☐	Literacy Foundations
7. ***Effective September 1, 2024*****: Earn a passing score on Praxis - Teaching of Reading: Elementary (5205) or Teaching of Reading: Elementary Subtest (7002).	☐	☐	Exam _____

**Verify certificate is valid* *(not expired) before requesting an add-on endorsement. If the certificate has expired or is nearing expiration, consult with the Louisiana employing school system to make the certificate valid BEFORE submitting application for add-on endorsement.*

*****Effective September 1, 2024,* literacy coursework **hours and an elementary reading exam** are required.

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: *I have reviewed requirements above and request evaluation for this endorsement.*

_____ Date _____

For Certification Office use only: **Evaluating Specialist**

_____ Date _____