Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Certification for New Teachers

1. Spring and Summer 2020 Indiana Instructional License applicants may obtain an initial license or permit without completing CPR; however, new licensees and permittees are still required to complete the CPR requirement, including hands-on skill practice on a mannequin, by September 30, 2020.

2. When in-person CPR training resumes there will be time for individuals to regroup and get their CPR certification completed before the dates specified in the Governor’s Executive Orders. In the meantime, there are some approved CPR providers that offer a blended program with part of the training offered online followed by participation in an in-person skill practice component. Applicants can go ahead and complete the online portion of training so that they will be ready to schedule the skill practice component when in-person trainings resume.

3. Updated CPR information, as well as other very important licensing related matters, have been posted at https://www.doe.in.gov/licensing.

Pearson Tests and Testing Centers
Impact on Purdue Teacher Education Candidates

1. The suspension of Pearson licensure tests continues to at least May 15, 2020. It may be possible to schedule tests now for some testing sites in May and beyond. However, those dates and locations are subject to change. Please check the Pearson website for up-to-date information. https://www.in.inesinc.com/

2. As stated in an earlier announcement, for those student teaching in Fall 2020, the usually required content test attempt has been waived for Fall 2020. However, both the content and pedagogy exams must be successfully achieved prior to licensure.

3. There are no current online testing alternatives being proposed by the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) or Pearson. This is due to the IDOE’s contractual arrangement with Pearson that candidates sit for these tests, in person, at designated centers. Thus, as licensure candidates you remain obligated to wait until the testing centers become available.

4. Individual school districts, within and outside of Indiana, are anticipating that initial licenses could be delayed because of limited access to licensure exams. Be assured that districts are working on contingencies should these issues not be resolved before the start of the next school year. In the meantime, keep applying for positions, studying for your exams, and checking the Pearson website for updates.
Letters of Eligibility for 2020 Spring/Summer Graduates

1. If you are a Spring/Summer 2020 Teacher Education Graduate, you will receive a generic letter of eligibility via your direct Purdue email address. This letter may be used if your Indiana license has been deferred due to limited access to testing centers.

2. When a teaching position is offered and if a license has not yet been granted, please feel free to notify the Office of Teacher Education and Licensure (OTEL) at licensure@purdue.edu and request a customized letter of eligibility to be sent directly to the school district extending the offer to verify what licensure obligations have been met and those that remain pending.