

**Education Quality Team  
Staff Report for 12 of September 2024**

**Updates:**

Ellen reports that Annual Reports were bumped from summer due date to end of year since Rules were not yet finalized.

Renewal applications are finishing up. We currently anticipate receiving around 3,709 this coming year which include level I and level II licenses.

Temporary license applications are still coming in steadily daily from school districts. These applications are on the rise again for the 24-25 school year.

Josh Souliere, Director of Education Quality will report on the following items put on the agenda.

- New Licensing System
- Listen and Learn Tour -Purpose and scheduled dates
- Emerging Pathways Coordinator
- Other AOE updates

**Approved Internal waivers: Praxis.**

Kate Mayer                      White River Unified School District

Kathryn Foster                Caledonia Central School District

Katherine Rose                Southwest Vermont Supervisory Union

## **Special Education Provisional Waivers:**

Currently we have 42 applications that have been submitted for the 2024-2025 school year.

The breakdown of instructional levels is below:

20 of the applications represent Grades K through Age 21 Special Education

12 of the applications represent Grades K through 8 Special Education

9 of the applications represent Grades 7 through Age 21 Special Education

1 of the applications represent Birth through Age 6 Early Childhood Education.

1 application closed.

## **Deb Giles September 2024:**

**L/RSBs:** An August reminder was emailed to all L/RSBs which had yet to submit an Annual Report. Currently 57/61 Boards have submitted an Annual Report for 2023-2024. A September reminder will be emailed to the remaining Boards.

All L/RSB membership lists have been updated in the database and verified with Board Chairs who submitted an Annual Report. Changes to membership continues throughout the year and updates are continually made. Employment types L/RSBs will serve has also been updated in the database based on responses from the Annual Report. A list of employment types has been created to be posted on the website along with names and contact information of L/RSB Chairs. In August, the 2024-2025 list of L/RSB Chairs was sent to the VPA/VSA to be included in the Education Directory.

A list of Vermont Independent Special Education Schools is being verified by the AOE and the LSB Chairs. Once verified the list will be posted on the AOE website.

Grant allotments for each L/RSB are ready to be sent to Boards (which have completed all requirements) once the “kinks” in the GMS system are worked out. The allotment amounts were forwarded to Finance in August. The updated set of directions will accompany the individual allotments.

Our seasonal employee, Gary Moreau, has now left the AOE until the next renewal season and Deb has picked up the remaining 2024 renewals from Gary’s queue. All renewals have been reviewed and the status of the remaining renewals is either awaiting payment or under review (on hold while waiting for a Criminal Record Check Report).

Deb continues to address L/RSB and SU/SD questions and concerns, along with questions from individual educators.

Current Work Queue per application type as of 9-4-2024: *Applications in the work queue are in various stages of processing from just received to waiting for payment from applicant.*

Application Type	Total
Initial	131
Reinstatement	33
Renewal	28
Retired	2
Temporary	241
1 Yr. Temporary – extenuating circumstance	10
Transcript Review – Initial	52
Transcript Review – Add endorsement	54
Peer Review - Initial	96
Peer Review – Add endorsement	13

