

### **Special Education Training:**

Coursework or employment experiences that provide an individual with the knowledge of:

- The exceptional needs of the disabilities defined under the Special Education Act
- The major characteristics of each disability in order to recognize its existence in children
- the various alternatives for providing the least restrictive environment for children with disabilities
- (d) methods of teaching children with disabilities in the regular classroom
- Pre-referral alternatives, referral systems, multidisciplinary team responsibilities, the individualized education plan process, and the placement process.

**This requirement can be met by one of the following options:**

IF...

You have completed a Special Education course at an approved teacher education institution that addressed the exceptional child in the classroom THEN...Submit official transcripts of the course. Note: If the Special Education course was not titled as the exceptional child in the classroom submit a course syllabus.

**OR**

IF...

You have completed an approved teacher education program for special education at an approved teacher education institution THEN...Submit official transcripts of the coursework

**OR**

IF...

You have not completed an approved course in Special Education, but have employment experiences which provided you an opportunity to acquire the five skills required THEN...Verify acceptable employment experiences in which the required five skills were obtained and [write a narrative](#) that addresses each of the five skills

**OR**

IF...

You have not meet this requirement THEN...With a signed [Agreement Statement](#) you may be eligible for a Provisional certificate. The State Substitute Teaching certificate does not require this course. Additional information can be found in this manual.