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- **State:** State of certification
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- **Possible additional testing:** Additional testing may be required as specified.
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- Standard Professional (5-year)
- Advanced Professional (5-year)
- Possible additional testing
- No additional coursework
- edTPA
- Yes
- Possible additional testing and/or coursework
- $120 processing fee
- Yes
- https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/education/teaching-becoming-an-educator/initial-certification/standard-certification?&id=26779
- https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/education/teaching-becoming-an-educator/initial-certification/professional-certification?&id=26780
- https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/education/teaching-becoming-an-educator/initial-certification/advanced-certification?&id=26781

Massachusetts: Music Vocal/Instructional (5-year) General (All levels)
- Initial (5-year) Professional (3-year)
- Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) Communication & Literacy Skills
- Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) Music
- None
- No
- Possible additional testing and/or coursework
- MTEL exams only
- $100 application
- Yes
- https://www.michigan.gov/mde/services/ed-cert/ed-cert/goals/application-fee
- https://www.michigan.gov/mde/services/ed-cert/ed-cert/goals/application-fee

Michigan: Music PK-12
- Standard (5-year)
- Professional (3-year)
- Possible additional testing
- No additional coursework
- edTPA
- Yes
- Possible additional testing and/or coursework
- $120 Standard Teaching Certificate (in-state)
- $220 Standard Teaching Certificate (out-of-state/out-of-country)
- Other fees:
- No
- https://www.michigan.gov/mde/services/ed-cert/ed-cert/goals/application-fee

Minnesota: Instrumental/Choral/Consortium Music PK-12
- Vocal/Classroom Music PK-12
- Tier I: 1-year, renew 3 times Tier II: 2 years, renew 3 times Tier III: 3 years, renew indefinitely Tier IV: 5 years, renew indefinitely
- NES Essential Academic Skills
- Minnesota Teacher Licensure Exams: Instrumental Music or Vocal Music
- Minnesota Teacher Licensure Exams: Pedagogy Test (Elementary or Secondary)
- edTPA
- Yes
- Possible additional testing and/or coursework
- $60.25 initial application (includes fingerprinting and processing fee)
- $75 existing license holders
- Yes
- https://www.mdek12.org/OEL/About/Pages/DEE/Certification.aspx

Missouri: Music Vocal K-12
- Music Instrumental K-12
- Class A Educator License (Bachelor, 5-year)
- Class AA Educator License (Master, 5-year)
- Class AAA Educator license (Specialist, 5-year)
- Class AAAA Educator License (Doctorate, 5-year)
- Missouri Educator Gateway Assessments: General Education Assessment (MoGEA Reading, Writing, Mathematics)
- Missouri Educator Gateway Assessments: Music Instrumental & Vocal
- None
- MDES for Teacher Candidates
- Yes
- In most cases, a Missouri certificate is issued with no further coursework or test requirements.
- $120 processing for out-of-state certificate holders.
- Finger prints/background check
- $41.75 fingerprinting
- No
- https://doi.mo.gov/education/certification/certification/confirmation

Montana: Music K-12
- Vocal Music K-12
- Class 5 Provisional (1-3 years)
- Class 1 Professional/Masters Degree (5-year)
- Class 2 Standard (5-year)
- Class 3 Standard (3-year)
- Offers several new routes as of 6/2020
- Praxis I: Core Academic Skills for Educators (5113)
- Praxis II: Music Content Knowledge (5114)
- Praxis Principles of Teaching & Learning: 6-12
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- None
- No
- Possible additional testing and/or coursework
- Online course: An Introduction to Indian Education for All Montana
- $10 initial fee, $30 renewal
- No

Nebraska: Music K-12
- Vocal Music K-12
- Initial (5-year) Standard (10-year)
- Provisional (5-year)
- Offers several new routes as of 6/2020
- Praxis I: Core Academic Skills for Educators (5113)
- Praxis II: Music Content Knowledge (5114)
- None
- No
- Possible additional testing and/or coursework
- Human Relations Training, Special Education Training
- $15 application (all schools)
- $5 fingerprinting
- No
- https://www.nebrae-schoools.org/teaching-certification/confirmation

Nevada: Music K-12
- Vocal Music K-12
- Standard (5-year)
- Professional (8-10 year) Retiree (10 year)
- Praxis I: Core Academic Skills for Educators (5113)
- Praxis II: Music Content Knowledge (5114)
- Praxis Principles of Teaching & Learning: 6-12
- No additional coursework
- No
- No
- Possible additional testing and/or coursework
- $180 new application
- $10 license renewal
- $10 additional endorsements
- $10 license extension; (Discount for Veterans/Spouses)
- No
- https://www.nevada-schoools.org/teaching-certification/confirmation

New Hampshire: Music K-12
- Vocal Music K-12
- Beginning Educator (3-year) Experienced Educator (5-year) Master Teacher Certificate (3-year)
- Praxis I: Core Academic Skills for Educators (5113)
- Praxis II: Music Content Knowledge (5114)
- Praxis Principles of Teaching & Learning: 6-12
- No additional coursework
- No
- No
- Possible additional testing and/or coursework
- $100 application
- Yes
- https://nhdocs.affairs.net/edc/affairs/PDF/201905072_16_Teacher_cert/department/AlternativePath.aspx

New Jersey: Music Pre-K-12 (All grades)
- Award students graduating from a teacher preparation program receive a CASA certificate (Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing)
- These three certificates come after a student has been given a position in a district:
- Provisional (2-year)
- Standard (5-year)
- Standard (5-year)
- Praxis I: Core Academic Skills for Educators (5113)
- Praxis II: Music Content Knowledge (5114)
- Praxis Principles of Teaching & Learning: 6-12
- No additional coursework
- No
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- Possible additional testing and/or coursework
- $100
- Yes
- https://www.nj.gov/education/certification/confirmation/alternative-path/
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<td>Level I (3-5 years); Level II (6-8 years); Level III (9 years) *endorsement requires portfolio/endorsement support *could not confirm is this is necessary</td>
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<td>$182 licencing fee $73.50 fingerprinting</td>
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