Career Technical Education Credential
Arts, Media, and Entertainment
Guidance document

**Credential authorization:** All California Career Technical Education (CTE) Credentials are authorized by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC). The credential authorizes the holder to teach qualifying coursework in the content area indicated on the credential, Arts, Media, and Entertainment (AME), in kindergarten through 12th grade. Local school districts or employing agencies have the discretion to determine the teacher’s qualification to teach pathway courses within the industry sector. Candidates holding a Bachelors degree and a CTE credential are considered “Highly Qualified” to teach CTE content under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).

**Requirements:** Candidates for the CTE credential in Arts, Media and Entertainment must have a minimum of 3000 hours of work experience in the sector pathway identified on the credential. This employment must be verifiable by one of the methods listed on form CL-888, (REV 9/14 when the application is submitted for preliminary authorization. Applicants may receive 1000 hours of credit for holding a postsecondary degree in the content area of authorization (i.e., Digital Art, Dance, and Stage Management) and an additional 1000 hours of credit for having taught the content in a Local Educational Agency (LEA) for 3 years.

**Application process:** A *Preliminary CTE Credential* can be obtained from an authorized educational agency or County Office of Education that has been designated as a “program provider” by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (see Providers list page 2). Each provider may have different processes for application but all will require the following CTC application forms:
- *Finger printing/background check* (form 41-LS),
- *Basic Application* (Form 41-4,REV 7/14),
- *Verification of industry experience* (form CL-888,REV 9/14),
- *Proof of Employment* (form #), which may be and a verified offer of employment, and an academic transcript.
Qualifying candidates will be issued a *Approval to Teach* which allows the teacher to begin work. Once the Preliminary credential has been granted the applicant has 30 days to enroll in an authorized “pre-induction program” that has been authorized by the CCTC. The cost of this process may vary from provider to provider but will always include a $70.00 application fee for the CTC.

**Clearing the credential:** Once a preliminary credential has been obtained the candidate has 3 years to complete 2 years of successful teaching experience as well as course work offered by a CTC approved provider. This usually involves a course in foundations of education and a course. or series of courses, in classroom management and pedagogy. These courses vary in length and cost as determined by the program provider. Some can be completed on-line and some may include classroom observation. Check with local providers to determine cost and course requirement to clear the credential. Candidates holding a valid California Single Subject credential may receive credit for completed coursework depending on transcript review (some providers will not review transcripts)

See page 2 for local program providers and County Offices of Education accepting CTE Credential applications
Educational agencies offering CTE Credentials:

Davis Joint Unified School District- Barbara Mills- (530)757-5300, ext. 136

Los Angeles County Office of Education- Lucy Domingo 562/922-6798
https://www.lacorop.org/Credential/Data_DSCS/Cred-Pkt-1.pdf

Metropolitan Education District (San Jose)- Joyce Veasley-(408)723-6488
http://www.metroed.net/credentialing/

Orange County Office of Education- Amy Kaufman, Program Facilitator at 714-966-3523 or email akaufman@ocde.us
http://www.ocde.us/Leadership/Pages/Career-and-Technical-Education-%28CTE%29-Teacher-Credentialing-Program.aspx

San Diego County Office of Education- Lillian Harvey lharvey@sdcoe.net 858-292-3825
http://www.sdcoe.net/human-resources/credentials/designated-subject-credentials/Pages/teaching-rop-cte.aspx

San Joaquin County Office of Education- Elizabeth Asplund at 209 468-5906
http://teacherscollegesj.edu/docs/47-CTECredentialProgram_8232013113255.pdf

Sonoma County Office of Education- Nicole Rosachi- (707) 524-2987
nrosaschi@scoe.org
http://ncbtp.org/pub/btpdocs/careeretteched.html

Sutter County Office of Education- Kathy Tamez (530) 822-2904
kathhtmlyt@sutter.k12.ca.us
http://www.sutter.k12.ca.us/Departments/human_resources/credential_services.s

Tehama County Office of Education- Lynda Sims (530) 528-7371

Ventura County Office of Education- Cathy Friel (805) 437-1353 kfriel@vcoe.org