

TO: Teacher Education Students

RE: State of Ohio Certification Standards

Please be advised that in Ohio the requirements for Certification include the following statement.

3301-23 Provisional...certificate for teaching.

The provisional certificate, valid for teaching the subject named in such certificate in (grades) shall be issued to an individual who holds a baccalaureate degree; **who is deemed to be of good moral character**; who has successfully completed an approved program of teacher preparation, including an examination prescribed by the state board of education; and who has been recommended by the dean or head of teacher education at an approved institution.

3301-21-01 DEFINITIONS. TERMINOLOGY USED IN THIS CHAPTER AND CHAPTER 3301-23 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SHALL BE AS DEFINED IN THIS RULE.

(M) “GOOD MORAL CHARACTER.” A person shall be deemed to be of good moral character provided that said individual has not pleaded guilty to or been convicted of any felony, any violation of Section 2907.04 (corruption of a minor) or Section 2907.06 (sexual imposition), or division (A) or (C) of Section 2907.07 (importuning) of the Revised Code, any offense of violence, theft offense, or drug abuse offense that is not a minor misdemeanor, or any substantively comparable ordinance of a municipal corporation or of another state.

The application for certification contains the following:

Any individual who pleads guilty to or is convicted of any felony, any violation of Section 2907.04 or 2907.06, or division (A) or (C) of Section 2907.07 of the Revised Code, any offense of violence, theft offense, or drug abuse that is not a minor misdemeanor, or any substantially comparable ordinance of a municipal corporation or of another state shall indicate so in Section K of the application form.

If you have any questions about this portion of the Ohio Revised Code, please talk with your advisor, the Associate Dean, Dr. Shelly or the Director of Teacher Testing and Licensure, Mr. Staggs.

Student's Name
(print legibly)_____

Student's
Signature_____