

Connecticut

SUPPLY/DEMAND CONSIDERATIONS

The state is not currently experiencing a shortage of either principals or superintendents. Officials report that some years are worse than others – that there was a shortage some 3-4 years ago.

REGULAR PATH

Connecticut has one certification endorsement, called Intermediate Administration or Supervision, that covers principals, assistant superintendents, curriculum coordinators, and other school administrators.

PRINCIPAL

Intermediate Administration or Supervision Endorsement

Prerequisites

The candidate must have:

- A master's degree from an approved institution;
- 18 graduate semester hours credit beyond the master's degree; and
- 50 school months of successful teaching experience or service (a 1-year internship in school administration and supervision may count toward fulfillment of 10 months of this requirement).

Program Standards

The candidate must successfully complete:

- A planned program of preparation at a college or university, leading to a recommendation for certification at the principal level;
- Specified graduate coursework in each of the following areas: psychological and pedagogical foundations of learning, curriculum development and program monitoring, school administration, personnel evaluation and supervision, and contemporary education problems and solutions;
- The PRAXIS I Pre-Professional Skills Tests (PPST) (paper-

based); or

- The PRAXIS I Pre-Professional Skills Tests (PPST) (computerized); and
- A course of study in special education comprised of not fewer than 36 clock hours, including study in understanding the growth and development of exceptional children, including handicapped and gifted and talented children and children who may require special education, and methods for identifying, planning for and working effectively with special-needs children in the regular classroom.

Exit Standards

When the candidate has completed the requirements, the Advisory Panel on Teacher Education and Certification, made up primarily of practitioners and in place since 1980, will make a recommendations to the State Board of Education whether to issue the an Intermediate Administration or Supervision Endorsement.

SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent of Schools Endorsement

The candidate must have:

- A master's degree from an approved institution;
- 30 graduate semester hours credit beyond the master's degree; and
- 80 school months of successful teaching experience or service (a 1-year internship in school administration and supervision may count toward fulfillment of 10 months of this requirement).

Program Standards

The candidate must complete:

- A planned program of preparation at a college or university, leading to a recommendation for certification at the superintendent level;
- Specified graduate coursework in each of the following areas: psychological and pedagogical foundations of learning, curriculum development and program monitoring, school

administration, personnel evaluation and supervision, and contemporary educational problems and solutions;

- The PRAXIS I Pre-Professional Skills Tests (PPST) (paper-based); or
- The PRAXIS I Pre-Professional Skills Tests (PPST) (computerized); and
- A course of study in special education comprised of not fewer than 36 clock hours, including study in understanding the growth and development of exceptional children, including handicapped and gifted and talented children and children who may require special education, and methods for identifying, planning for and working effectively with special-needs children in the regular classroom.

Exit Standards

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ALTERNATE PATH

Connecticut does not have an alternate route for school administrators.

WAIVERS

Connecticut does not issue waivers for administrators.

PENDING DEVELOPMENTS

Not known.