

Educator Certification Exam Readiness

This document outlines the expectations of the educator in order to successfully complete their certification requirements.

Biblical Interpretation

By the end of the certification process, in order to successfully complete the examination, the educator will need to be able to identify and use an exegetical method to explore a particular passage. The educator will need to use a variety of resources to complement the exegesis and will need to relate the findings to inform an educational event.

Human Growth & Development

By the end of the certification process, in order to successfully complete the examination, the educator will be able to identify the faith and developmental needs of the participants of their educational event and discuss the ways a specific educational event is informed by the perspectives of a particular developmental theorist. The description of the selected theorist will include current reference to the theorist's work.

Polity Program & Mission

By the end of the certification process, in order to successfully complete the examination, the educator will need to be able to integrate and apply learnings in this knowledge area to situations that arise in congregations.

Reformed Theology

By the end of the certification process, in order to successfully complete the examination, the educator will need to be able to write a statement outlining their basic theological approach to Christian education and identify theological elements of educational activities. The educator will show this through the use of one Reformed theologian or confessional document.

Religious Education Theory & Practice

By the end of the certification process, in order to successfully complete the examination, the educator will be able to identify at least one religious education theorist and critically engage that theorist's perspectives with their own educational event, identifying how the theory informs the design, implementation, and evaluation of that event. They will also be able to build and present a lesson plan for an educational event that could be easily picked up and used by a third party.

Worship & Sacraments

By the end of the certification process, in order to successfully complete the examination, student will need to be able to apply what was learned from this knowledge and skill area to situations that often arise in a congregational context.