# OSDE Late Summer 2021 Special Education Boot Camp

# This hybrid certification program is designed for candidates who meet the following criteria:

- Hold a four-year degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education.
- Grade point average of 2.75 or higher from a previous degree program.
- A recommendation from a representative at a school district or institution of higher education.
- Pass a national background check.
- Commit to continued education at a master's degree level.
- Reliable access to computer and wifi.

### **Open Dates to Submit Applications**

Monday, June 28 through Monday, July 19. Acceptance letters for the Late Summer 2021 Boot Camp Cohort will be sent Wednesday, July 21.

OSDE Boot Camp Candidate Application (Submit by email to jill.hilst@sde.ok.gov)

Due to limited space and high interest, acceptance is not guaranteed.

#### **Boot Camp Dates**

August 1, 2021 - September 25, 2021

# **Mandatory Onsite Dates and Field Experience Requirements**

Before applying, check your schedule! As a hybrid of online and onsite learning, the OSDE Boot Camp requires classroom attendance at the Hodge Building on August 7, 21, and September 11, 25 (all Saturdays).

Candidates complete a 150-hour program that includes 120 hours of special education training (boot camp), maintaining an 80% average and 30 hours of field experience.

## **Ongoing Requirements**

The one-year provisional state-issued certification may be renewed for two (2) additional periods of one year each upon proof from an accredited college/university six (6) credit hours of prescribed coursework, 18 hours total, toward a master's degree in special education has been completed.

Candidates must also pass three certification exams (OPTE, OGET, and OSAT) before applying for a standard teaching certificate in special education.

For additional resources | OSDE Special Education Boot Camp Website

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