

## EARLY CHILDHOOD, B- 3

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree (earned from a regionally accredited college/university)

### AND

- ✓ Minimum of 36 – 42 semester hours in an Early Childhood Education program including 18 - 30 semester credits of practicum and field experience to include student teaching in one of the following age ranges: B-3, 3-5 or 5- 8

### AND

- ✓ 6 semester hours of credit in the teaching of reading for those who first entered any college or university on or after August 1, 2001

### AND

- ✓ 150 contact hour practicum and/or supervised field experience at a developmental stage other than what was selected for student teaching

### OR

- ✓ 3 years of verified work experience with at least 2 of the age ranges listed above from an accredited center

### AND

- ✓ Passage of the New Mexico Teacher Assessments (NMTA)
  - Basic Skills
  - Teacher Competency, Early Childhood

### OR

- ✓ Possess a certificate issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards

**Download Application:** <http://www.ped.state.nm.us/Licensure/index.html>

**NMAC Rule:** <http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/parts/title06/06.061.0008.htm>  
<http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/parts/title06/06.061.0011.htm>  
<http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/parts/title06/06.061.0012.htm>