CHARTER SCHOOLS: OPTIONS FOR COMPLETING FLORIDA TEACHER CERTIFICATION EXAM (FTCE) REQUIREMENTS

EXAM	OPTIONS	NEXT STEPS
Subject Area Exam (SAE)	OPTION 1: A master's degree or higher that matches the area of certification shown on the FL certificate satisfies the SAE, except if certified in Educational Leadership, Reading K-12, School Counseling, School Psychologist and Speech Language Impaired. Example: MA in Elementary, certified in Elementary.	Review chart provided by FL Department of Education (FL DOE) to verify if your master's degree or higher satisfies the subject area test: https://www.browardschools.com/cms/lib/FL01803656/Centricity/Domain/12647/MA_to_SAE.pdf Submit official transcript for master's degree or higher to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE).
	OPTION 2: Take and pass the exam.	Official Score Report sent directly to the FLDOE by the testing agency. No action required.
Professional Education Test (PED)	OPTION 1: Three years of overall eValuations with an Effective or Highly Effective rating earned during the validity period of the current temporary certificate can waive the PED, providing all requirements outlined in the Statement of Status of Eligibility Letter (SOE) are on file with the FLDOE. (Ratings do not have to be for consecutive years). NOTE: FL Statute does not allow for this option if: the educator holds certification in School Social Worker or Speech-Language since no professional preparation requirement; they completed an in or out-of-State teacher education college program; used college teaching experience to qualify for the temporary certificate; or qualified for the temporary certificate via the STEM Pathway.	 Ensure all Professional Preparation requirements outlined in the Statement of Status of Eligibility Letter are on file with FL DOE: Official transcripts of coursework completed. Principal must complete the Verification of Teaching Experience and the Competency Demonstration Checklist (CDC) Forms and email them to certificationrequests@browardschools.com. Charter School Governing Board/designee (principal) must email the CT 135 PED Test Waiver to edcertpartnerline@fldoe.org and include in the email subject line your full name and the FL DOE number on temporary certificate. Your charter school provides summative evaluations. No action required.
	OPTION 2: If participating in the district's ACE program, earn a Highly Effective Summary Evaluation from the previous school year of completing the ACE Program.	Coaching & Induction will send required verification to the State. No action required.
	OPTION 3: Take and pass the exam.	Official Score Report sent directly to the FLDOE by the testing agency. No action required.
General	OPTION 1: A master's degree or higher in any subject area.	Submit official transcript for master's degree or higher to the FL DOE.
Knowledge Test (GK	OPTION 2: Take and pass the GKT exam.	Official Score Report sent directly to the FLDOE by the testing agency. No action required.
	OPTION 3 : Take the GKT Exam but failed at least one portion of the exam. Obtain an official score report showing the failed attempt. Then, earn three consecutive years of overall evaluations with an Effective or Highly Effective rating while on a valid temporary certificate.	Charter School Governing Board/designee (principal) must email the CT 134 GK Test Waiver to edcertpartnerline@fldoe.org include in the email subject line your full name and the FL DOE number on temporary certificate. Your charter school provides summative evaluations. No action required/