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**Proposed Change** (for undergraduate curricular changes please provide an 8-semester plan (appendix A), if applicable)

Adding a statement that individuals working to add the early childhood Age Three Four endorsement to an Elementary Education license must have met the Arkansas Department of Education requirement for completing a prescribe reading proficiency pathway prior to applying to add the endorsement.

1. **Effective Date**

Spring 2021

1. **Justification –** *Please provide details as to why this change is necessary.*

Act 1063 of 2017, the Right to Read Act states: “By the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year: A) All teachers employed in a teaching position that requires an elementary education (K-6) license … shall demonstrate proficiency in knowledge and practices of scientific reading instruction. The Arkansas Department of Education has established the approved pathways for teachers who must demonstrate Proficiency or Awareness in scientific reading instruction.

The addition of the statement verifies understanding that the proficiency pathway must be met before the endorsement can be added, in case individuals are adding the endorsement to older Elementary Education licenses.

**Bulletin Changes**

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| **Instructions**  |
| **Please visit** [**http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot**](http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot) **and select the most recent version of the bulletin. Copy and paste all bulletin pages this proposal affects below. Please include a before (with changed areas highlighted) and after of all affected sections.** **\*Please note: Courses are often listed in multiple sections of the bulletin. To ensure that all affected sections have been located, please search the bulletin (ctrl+F) for the appropriate courses before submission of this form.**  |

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The Arkansas Department of Education allows for teachers licensed in grades K-6 to attain an endorsement in teaching ages 3 and 4. Those individuals who wish to attain this endorsement must hold a K-6 license before beginning the endorsement process. Credentials to teach ages 3 and 4 are added to the K-6 license. In order to gain the endorsement, students must complete the following four courses with an overall cumulative grade point of 3.000 (B) or better with no grade of less than a C.

Interested parties should contact the Department of Teacher Education for more information.

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As per Act 1063 of 2017, the Right to Read Act, Elementary licensure requires completing one of the Prescribed Pathways for Proficiency related to the scientific knowledge and practices in reading instruction. Documentation of this proficiency must be met using a prescribed pathway prior to applying for this endorsement area; documentation may be required at the point of application for the endorsement. Coursework toward the endorsement may be taken while working toward the license and/or proficiency.

**Appendix A, 8-Semester Plan**

(**Referenced in #2** - **Undergraduate Proposals Only)**

*Instructions: Please identify new courses in italics*.

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| **Arkansas State University-Jonesboro****Degree:****Major:****Year:** |
| Students requiring developmental course work based on low entrance exam scores (ACT, SAT, ASSET, COMPASS) may not be able to complete this program of study in eight (8) semesters. Developmental courses do not count toward total degree hours. **Students having completed college level courses prior to enrollment will be assisted by their advisor in making appropriate substitutions. In most cases, general education courses may be interchanged between semesters.** A minimum of 45 hours of upper division credit (3000-4000 level) is required for this degree. |
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