



Content-Shortage Areas for the Educator Loan Forgiveness Program (2019-2020)

SB 19-003 applies to applicants contracted for a “qualified position,” which is defined in statute.

The grant applicant priority is:

1. Qualified position in a rural district or rural school in a content shortage area;
2. Qualified position in a rural district or rural school;
3. Qualified position in a content shortage area.

The Colorado Department of Education must identify content shortage areas for priority applicant groups. The following are based on the 2018-19 educator shortage survey in which CDE had 100% district and BOCES participation:

1. Qualified position in a rural district in a content shortage area

Agriculture and Renewable Natural Resources
Business/Marketing
Early Childhood Education
English Language Arts
Family and Consumer Sciences
Mathematics
Music
Science
Social Studies
Special Education Generalist
World Languages
School Counselor
School Nurse
School Occupational Therapist
School Speech Language Pathologist

2. Qualified position in a rural district (i.e., all rural educators)
3. Qualified position in a content shortage area in non-rural districts:

Business/Marketing
Drama Theater Arts
Early Childhood Education
Instructional Technology
Special Education Generalist
Special Education Specialist: Deaf and Hard of Hearing
Special Education Specialist: Visually Impaired
School Nurse
School Physical Therapist
School Psychologist
School Social Worker