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QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

To the: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Coordinator, State Colleges and
Universities

1. Attention is invited to section 1 of Bureau of Public Schools Circular No. 9, s. 1969, entitled Further Amendment to Circular No. 1, s. 1962, "Qualifications of Special School Teachers", as follows:

"All special education teachers both on the elementary and high school levels, whether they are assigned in special schools or handling special classes in regular schools, are required to have at least the 18 units of special education on the graduate level in addition to the basic educational qualifications, civil service eligibilities and personal attributes for the position. Teachers in special schools and those who had been handling special classes prior to the issuance of Circular No. 9, s. 1969 and Circular No. 13, s. 1965, and who do not yet possess the minimum requirements should complete the 18 units within a period of two years from the issuance of this Circular. Otherwise, they shall not be entitled to an up-grading of their rank, or salary increases to the next higher step within their present grade."

2. In view of the foregoing, effective immediately, only teachers with 18 units or more of Special Education courses shall be assigned as special education teachers.

and those already on the job who do not meet this requirement should strive to complete the required 18 units within 2 years after the issuance of this Memorandum.

3. Strict compliance with this Department Memorandum is requested.

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