



Formal Admission Acceptance Form

It is required that each candidate formally accept the invitation from Lamar University College of Education and Human Development as their Educator Preparation Program. After reading the *Offer of Formal Invitation*, please initial and sign this signature page. **The signature page and the Offer of Formal Admission must then be submitted to Smartsheets as the final step of acceptance.** This submission must be done prior to enrollment in the first course – PEDG 5304. Please initial the statements below indicating your understanding:

_____ I understand the University Policy of Academic Dishonesty, found at the following link:
<https://www.lamar.edu/students/academic-policies.html>

_____ I understand to seek Texas Certification I must complete all required Internship/Practicum activities/hours and field experience observations on a K-12 Texas Education Agency approved campus. All of them must be physically done on a traditional, TEA-approved K-12 campus.

_____ I understand to seek Texas Certification I must have a valid Texas Educator Certificate and two complete years of service with a K-12 state accredited school listed on my Service Record.

_____ I understand I must successfully pass the required Reading Specialist 151 state exams to be recommended for certification in Texas.

_____ I understand that certification requirements vary for each state, and that changing to an Internship/Practicum site in another state mid-program may affect my certification eligibility.

_____ I understand that failure to comply with program requirements will prevent me from being approved for certification by my Educator Preparation Program, Lamar University, in the future upon completion of my program.

****Although out-of-state students may not apply for Texas Certification, your initials above indicate you are aware of these state and program requirements prior to enrolling in this Texas Educator Preparation Program.**

Check one:

☐ I am certified to teach in Texas and will be seeking reading specialist certification in Texas.

☐ I am out of state and will be seeking certification in *(name of state)*. I have reviewed whether Lamar University is authorized to offer the program to which I have applied.

<https://www.lamar.edu/lu-online/student-services/out-of-state-approval.html>

I have reviewed the reading specialist licensure requirements for my state in the "Professional Licensure" section of this website. I have contacted the state licensure and authorization officer if I had any questions regarding the requirements of my state. I understand that Lamar University is not responsible for changes in certification requirements for my state and that I am responsible for confirming certification requirements with the licensing agency in my state. I understand, as an out-of-state student, that I am not eligible to take the Texas certification exam or to apply for reading specialist certification in Texas. I will contact my state's

Department of Education for reading specialist certification requirements.

Please sign that you understand this statement: _____

Candidate Signature

My signature below verifies that I formally accept the invitation from Lamar University College of Education and Human Development as my Educator Preparation Program for my program of study. I agree to abide by all practices, policies, and expectations of the program, and I understand the consequences for failure to do so. Consequences may include loss of course credit, denial of recommendation for certification, and/or suspension or expulsion from the program.

Candidate's Printed Name

Candidate L Number

Email Address

Candidate's Signature (physical signature) Date