

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 946

Short Title: Montessori Teaching License. (Public)

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April 14, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A NEW CLASS OF TEACHING LICENSE THAT MAY ONLY
BE USED AT A SCHOOL USING MONTESSORI INSTRUCTION AS ITS PRIMARY
METHOD OF INSTRUCTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-270.20(a) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(7) Montessori license. – A license that allows the holder of the license to teach only in a school that uses Montessori instruction as its primary method of instruction. An individual holding a license pursuant to this subdivision may not teach students in a public school that is not a Montessori school unless the individual holds another license issued by the State for public school teachers. To receive this license, an individual shall meet the following criteria:

a. Hold a valid credential from any of the following groups:

1. The American Montessori Society.

2. The Association Montessori Internationale.

3. A program accredited by the Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education.

b. Hold a bachelor's degree in any field.

c. Complete any examination requirements adopted by the State Board."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to applicants for

Montessori licenses on or after that date.



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