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## ***Elementary Education, 1-6, Teachers.....***

### **DO YOU NEED TO EARN YOUR PROFESSIONAL LICENSE?**

*We are accepting enrollments now for these DESE approved Professional License Programs:*

FREC is enrolling elementary education teachers, 1-6, **NOW** for a **January 2012** start in our MA Dept. of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) approved, district- based **Professional License** programs. Registrations are being accepted on a “first come, first serve” basis.

Start in January '12 (*NOTE: There are no classes during the February and April school vacation weeks*) with the required math course, then take the second—**and last**—program course, literacy, in September 2012 and complete your program course work for professional licensure by mid-December 2012—**after just two graduate courses**. The DESE has additional requirements for all teachers which must be met before awarding professional licensure. The actual professional license cannot be awarded to any teacher until he or she completes a DESE approved program—like ours—and completes 3 years of teaching under their initial license. If you have been teaching for less than 3 years with your initial license, **you can still enroll in our program**, complete the course requirements now, and receive your professional license in the mail as soon as you finish your 3<sup>rd</sup> year of teaching under your initial license.

The DESE requires those teachers holding an **Initial License** to earn a **Professional License** in the same field **within five (5) years of hire** or risk losing certification. If you hold an initial license in elementary education, grades 1-6, and you are looking for a low cost, alternative pathway to professional licensure—**one that does not require enrolling in a Masters program**—yet satisfies the teacher licensure requirements DESE—then this program may be of interest to you.

**What does our DESE approved program mean for you?** Completing our approved program means that you don't have to enroll in or complete a Masters program to earn Professional Licensure—**unless you want to do so**. When you compare time and cost, **you will pay less than \$2,600** to earn your professional license through French River. A Masters degree might be 10-12 graduate courses and could cost as much as \$14,000 - \$16,000 plus program fees!

*(NOTE: As for the January'12 math course tuition, we will bill you on or about December 15 at which time you will have the option of paying the tuition in full by January 15--\$1,300 either by check or credit card --or you may pay half then--\$650--and we will bill you for the remaining \$650 on or about April 1. We accept district purchase orders as well as MasterCard, Visa, and Discover credit cards. Checks should be made payable to French River Education Center.)*

**Interested? Want to learn more? Are you ready to enroll?** If you would like to learn more about how you can earn Professional License **without having to earn a Masters degree** or you are ready to enroll and reserve a space in our January '12 program, call Mike Fields, Director, at 508-987-0219, ext. 101, ([mfields@frec.org](mailto:mfields@frec.org)), or Maddy Dudley at ext. 104 ([mdudley@frec.org](mailto:mdudley@frec.org)) or return this form by fax at 508-987-1396.



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**FREC Professional Licensure Program: *Elementary Education, 1-6***

**Location: Oxford High School**

**Class Time: 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**January 2012**

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested and would like to enroll in the **Tuesday**, January '12 Cohort.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested and would like to enroll in the **Thursday**, January '12 Cohort.

**NOTE: I know that to be eligible for the professional license program, I must: *already have my initial license; be employed as a teacher working in the same role as my initial license; and have completed my mentoring year.***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City/Town) (Zip)

Employed as a teacher by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of School District)

Soc. Sec. #: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Best email address to contact me: \_\_\_\_\_

I have my MA initial license in: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Discipline) (Grade Levels)

I have been teaching with my initial license for: \_\_\_\_\_ I completed my mentoring year: YES \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number of years) NO \_\_\_\_\_

I teach at this school: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

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