4.15 Music (Grades K-12)

To be endorsed in music, an applicant shall hold an earned bachelor's or higher degree from an accepted institution of higher education; have completed an approved teacher preparation program including prescribed field experience and student teaching requirements; have completed an approved program in music; be knowledgeable about the Colorado Academic Standards in music; and have demonstrated the competencies specified below:

- 4.15(1) The music educator is knowledgeable about the content and creative processes of music and is able to:
 - 4.15(1)(a) teach the historical and cultural context of music including, but not limited to, global musical styles, techniques and traditions over time and acknowledging music in society as creative, expressive, communicable and social.
 - 4.15(1)(b) use a variety of approaches to critically analyze, observe and critique a variety of styles, genres, aesthetics and technical aspects of music.
 - 4.15(1)(c) develop music literacy in students, demonstrating ways to read, write and communicate using the language of music.
 - 4.15(1)(d) provide informed demonstration and identification of a variety of techniques and styles of music with confidence, expression, accuracy and intent.
 - 4.15(1)(e) use a variety of approaches to teach students to design, write, problem-solve and innovate to find their own unique musical voice.
- 4.15(2) The music educator is able to instruct about, effectively demonstrate and provide experiences for students in various areas of music pedagogical theory and practice including, but not limited to:
 - 4.15(2)(a) determining and interpreting meaning in musical works.
 - 4.15(2)(b) methods of teaching music to students, as age and grade appropriate, and to other educators, regarding the direction and selection of musical repertoire; communication of ideas through music; distinguishing musical forms and styles; creation of a variety of musical works; employing skills related to musical performances; evaluation of musical works and relating music to diverse cultures.
 - 4.15(2)(c) knowledge and method of how music relates, informs, connects and transfers to other subjects and disciplines.
 - 4.15 (2)(d) knowledge and the ability to envision and implement the creative cyclical process, including applying and demonstrating a variety of music theory skills, creating musical works; expressing music in a performance setting; and critiquing, evaluating and refining musical works.
- 4.15 (3) The music educator shall facilitate students' learning in order to develop critical-thinking and reasoning skills, information literacy, collaboration, self-direction and invention skills for lifelong learning about music including the personal pursuit of further experience in music.
- 4.15 (4) The music educator shall self-assess and act upon feedback regarding the effectiveness of instruction based on the achievement of students and pursue continuous professional development through appropriate activities, coursework and participation in relevant professional organizations.