ATTESTATION OF ELIGIBILITY

The Kansas State Board of Education requires that individuals who have been convicted of, or pleaded guilty to, any act punishable as a felony may not be certified to teach. Wichita State University is responsible for recommending individuals who have completed the teacher education program for certification as a teacher. Given this responsibility, it is asked that you read and sign the statement below.

If you are confident that you understand the standard, please complete the "Attestation of Eligibility."

Five questions require either a yes or no answer. Answering yes to any of the questions does not mean that a certificate won’t be issued. Each applicant’s situation is analyzed and, if necessary, the application may be referred to the Professional Practices Commission to make a recommendation regarding certification. Failure to honestly answer the questions can result in revocation of a certificate.

Following are the five questions and a short explanation for each.

Question A. Have you ever been convicted of a felony or a crime involving dishonesty, a controlled substance or a child?

A felony conviction or a conviction of any crime involving dishonesty, a controlled substance, or a child are required to be reported and the court documents provided. A conviction of driving under the influence of alcohol does not need to be reported. This conviction is not a felony and alcohol does not involve dishonesty, a controlled substance, or a child.

Question B. Have you ever entered into a criminal diversion agreement after being charged with any offense described in question A?

If you have entered into a criminal diversion agreement for a felony, a crime involving dishonesty, a controlled substance, or a child, you are required to provide a copy of the diversion agreement. If you have entered into a criminal diversion agreement for any other crime not listed here, you do not need to provide a copy of the agreement.

Question C. Are criminal charges pending against you in any state involving any of the offenses described in question A?

If there are criminal charges pending against you, you are required to provide the court documents.

Question D. Have you ever had a teacher or school administrator’s certificate denied, suspended or revoked in any state?

Provide the documents regarding official action taken.

Question E. Is disciplinary action pending against you in any state regarding a teaching or administrator’s license or certificate?

Attach a copy of the official documents regarding the action pending against you.

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I, ________________________________________________, attest to the College of Education at Wichita State University that I have not been convicted nor have I pleaded guilty for the violation of any law punishable as a felony and I can answer “no” to questions A-E listed above.

Signature:___________________________________________ Date:__________________________________________