4.07 Drama Theatre Arts (Grades K-12)

To be endorsed in drama theatre arts, 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 drama theatre arts; be knowledgeable about the Colorado Academic Standards in drama and theatre arts and have demonstrated the competencies specified below:

4.07(1) The drama theatre arts educator is knowledgeable about the content and creative processes of drama theatre arts and is able to instruct students about:

4.07(1)(a) historical and cultural context including, but not limited to, global theatrical styles, techniques and traditions over time and acknowledging drama theatre arts in society as creative, expressive, communicable and social.

4.07(1)(b) a variety of approaches to critically analyze, observe and critique a variety of styles, genres, aesthetics and technical design, and uses of drama and theatre arts.

4.07(1)(c) skillful use of drama theatre arts literacy in students, demonstrating ways to read, write and communicate using the language of drama theatre arts.

4.07(1)(d) informed demonstration and identification of a variety of techniques and styles of drama theatre arts with confidence, expression, accuracy and intent.

4.07(1)(e) approaches to design, write, problem-solve and innovate to find their own unique dramatic voice.

4.07(2) The drama theatre arts educator is able to instruct, effectively demonstrate and provide experiences for students in various areas of drama theatre arts pedagogical theory and practice including, but not limited to:

4.07(2)(a) determining and interpreting meaning in dramatic works.

4.07(2)(b) methods of teaching drama theatre arts to students, as age and grade appropriate, and to other educators, as related but not limited to direction and selection of dramatic or theatrical subject matter; communication of ideas through drama and/or theatre; distinguishing theatrical forms and styles; creation of a variety of dramatic and/or theatrical works, employing skills related to dramatic and/or theatrical performances; evaluation of dramatic and/or theatrical works; and relating drama theatre arts to diverse cultures.

4.07(2)(c) knowledge and method of how drama theatre arts relates, informs, connects and transfers to other subjects and disciplines.

4.07(2)(d) knowledge and the ability to envision and implement the creative cyclical process, including critically responding to dramatic and/or theatrical works, the ability to create dramatic and/or theatrical works; and the ability to perform in a variety of dramatic and/or theatrical works.

4.07(3) The drama theatre arts 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 drama theatre arts, including the personal pursuit of further experience in drama theatre arts.
4.07(4) The drama theatre arts 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 and coursework and through participation in relevant professional organizations.