

## CERTIFICATE OF CLEARANCE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. HAVE YOUR FINGERPRINTS TAKEN VIA LIVE SCAN

- Complete the CTC-specific 41-LS Live Scan Form (<https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/leaflets/41-ls.pdf>) Print and take two copies to a Live Scan Station for your fingerprints to be taken.
- (Click here to view a listing of Live Scan locations). <https://oag.ca.gov/fingerprints/locations>
- If you already have a Certificate of Clearance OR a valid CTC document (e.g. Substitute Permit, Child Development Permit, Multiple Subject Credential, etc.) you DO NOT need to complete the process below.
- ***If you had your fingerprints taken at a district or for another type of job, these WILL NOT be electronically submitted to the CTC.***

### 2. COMPLETE THE ONLINE APPLICATION AT THE CTC WEBSITE

- Apply for the Certificate of Clearance (COC) using the web application process at the CTC website. (<https://www.ctc.ca.gov>).
  - a. Scroll down until you see **Educator Login** on the right hand side of the web page.
  - b. Click on the button to begin your application.
  - c. Enter your Social Security Number and your birthday to continue. **If this is your first application and you are creating a new profile, it will ask you to enter it twice.**
  - d. Fill out the application with your personal information to create a profile as a new Educator. You will also be prompted to create a new user ID/Password as well as Security Questions/answers.
  - e. When completed, hit the **NEXT** button. If completed correctly it will tell you that your User ID has been created. If not, it will ask you to go back and fix/complete what is needed.
  - f. The website will redirect you to log in with your new user ID and password.
  - g. Once logged in, read the information that is provided and click the **NEXT** button on the top right.
  - h. After reading the disclosure page, it will ask you to verify the personal information that you had completed in part D. After you have verified, click on the **NEXT** button to continue.
  - i. It will bring you to your Educator Profile and you will need to scroll down until you see *Apply for your Certificate of Clearance or Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate*.
  - j. Click on the **Create New** button and it will direct you to a new web page to select your options.
  - k. Scroll until you see *Document/Authorization Pick*.
  - l. From the drop down menu for **General Application Category**, select *Certificate of Clearance/ Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate*.
  - m. From the second drop down menu for **Document/Authorization Title**, select *Certificate of Clearance*.
  - n. Click on the **NEXT** button to continue. It will redirect you to the Professional Fitness Questions.
  - o. Read the disclosure for the Professional Fitness Questions. **NOTE: If you have answered YES to any of the Professional Fitness Questions, you must send required supporting materials to the Commission as per instructions.** (<https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/educator-discipline/files/prof-fitness-instructions.pdf>)
  - p. Click **NEXT** once you have finished reading the Personal Fitness Questions.
  - q. Answer YES/NO for Question A: *School Employment Action (School Misconduct)* and click **NEXT**.
  - r. Answer YES/NO for Question B: *Criminal Conviction* and click **NEXT**.
  - s. Answer YES/NO for Question C: *Currently Under Investigation* and click **NEXT**.
  - t. Answer YES/NO for Question D: *Pending Criminal Action* and click **NEXT**.
  - u. Answer YES/NO for Question E: *Teaching Credential Disciplinary Action* and click **NEXT**.
  - v. Answer YES/NO for Question F: *Professional License Disciplinary Action* and click **NEXT**.
  - w. Scroll down and read the *Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act* and complete the Oath and Affidavit and click **Complete Submission** when finished.
- After two weeks, log into your profile using the Educator Login to check the status of your application. Once your Certificate of Clearance is processed, it can be saved as a PDF. **The document must have your name, document number and the issuance and expiration dates listed.**
- Upload a copy of your Certificate of Clearance or other valid CTC document to your Department Application or to update your file, email as a PDF attachment to [csscdocuments@csueastbay.edu](mailto:csscdocuments@csueastbay.edu) with your full name, program name, and start term in the subject line.